

Welcome

We extend a warm welcome to all who worship with us this morning. If you are seeking a church home, we invite you to become a member of First Presbyterian Church. For more information, please speak to the pastor at the close of the service.

This Week at FPC

Today

8:45 a.m. Worship
9:45 a.m. Church School
11:00 a.m. Worship
12:15 p.m. Greeters Training

Monday

6:00 p.m. Disciples-John

Tuesday

9:00 a.m. Preschool

Wednesday

6:00 p.m. Fellowship Dinner
6:30 p.m. Choir Practice

Thursday

9:00 a.m. Preschool
6:30 p.m. Praise Team

Friday

Saturday

7:00 p.m. Compassionate Hands

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Wednesday Night Fellowship Dinner

February 7, 6:00 p.m.

Gumbo, Potato Salad, Praline Cake

Please call the church office at 615-444-1360 to make a reservation **no later than noon Tuesday.**

WE WELCOME

Tom Zimmerman as our guest organist today. Tom is a member of the Nashville chapter of the American Guild of Organists (AGO) He was the organist at First United Church UCC in Belvedere, Tennessee, for over 26 years and is a practicing internal medicine physician in Nashville.

GREETERS:

FPC is recruiting a corps of trained Greeters for the 11:00 am Worship Service. Greeters will serve in pairs on a month-long rotating schedule. There will be an hour-long training session today at 12:15 pm.

THANK YOU

to elders Pat Bone and Jeff Gossage for serving as Commissions to yesterday's meeting of the Presbytery of Middle Tennessee.



SOUPER BOWL OF CARING

Today we are collected canned food (or dollars) for the Souper Bowl of Caring. Thank you for your donations. Our gifts will be used to support our outreach at Timberline Campground.

CONGRATULATIONS

to the winners of Wednesday's Soup Cook-off:

First Place – Mary Margaret Farris
Second Place – Rachel Low
Third Place – Sherard Edington

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LEBANON, TENNESSEE

Service for the Lord's Day

February 4, 2018

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

11:00 a.m.

THE GATHERING

To Glorify God and Enjoy God Forever

SILENT MEDITATION

PRELUDE

CHIMING THE HOUR

CHORAL INTROIT

* CALL TO WORSHIP

(from Isaiah 40)

Leader: Have you not known? Have you not heard?
The Lord is the everlasting God.

People: He does not faint or grow weary;
his understanding is unsearchable.

Leader: He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless.

People: Those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength.

Leader: They shall mount up with wings like eagles.

People: They shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

* HYMN NO. 464

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

HYMN TO JOY

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of grace and blessing, we sincerely apologize but we don't need to be lifted up by you. We don't need a new life. We are fine just as we are. We admit that we may be infected with demons but we can handle it on our own. We don't need for you to come looking for us in the empty places where we are hiding. We don't need your cures, your pardon, or your mercy. We ask only to be left alone. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

* Those who are able are invited to stand.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: God hears our pleas to be ignored but does not listen. God brings healing to the most broken. Friends, in the name of Christ, we are forgiven.

People: Thanks be to God.

* GLORIA PATRI Hymn No. 579

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, amen.

* THE PEACE

The Peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

Prepare our hearts, O God, to accept your Word.

Silence in us any voice but your own,

that, hearing, we may also obey your will;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING Mark 1:29-39

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM Your Hands, O Lord, in Days of Old Carson P. Cooman

Your hands, O Lord, in days of old were strong to heal and save;
they triumphed over pain and death, o’er darkness and the grave.
To you they went, the blind, the mute, the palsied and the lame,
the leper set apart and shunned, the sick and those in shame.

And then your touch brought life and health, gave speech and strength and sight;
and youth renewed, with health restored, claimed you, the Lord of light.
And so, O Lord, be near to bless, almighty now, as then,
in every street, in every home, in every troubled friend.

O be our mighty healer still, O Lord of life and death;
restore and strengthen, soothe and bless with your almighty breath.
On hands that work and eyes that see, your healing wisdom pour,
that whole and sick and wake and strong may praise you ever more.

TIME FOR THE CHILDREN Children are invited to come forward.

SERMON Lifted Up Rev. Sherard Edington

RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

* HYMN NO. 508 *For the Bread Which You Have Broken* KINGDOM

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH THE APOSTLES’ CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,

And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *Sanctus* Franz Schubert

* DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS *(Please hold the elements until all are served)*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SENDING FORTH

* HYMN NO. 376 *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* HYFRYDOL

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

* CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE *Toccata in E minor* Pachelbel