

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

Monday

6:00 p.m. Disciples

Tuesday

9:00 a.m. Preschool

Wednesday

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

March 7, 6:00 p.m.

Covered Dish

Please call the church office at 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.)

THE ROSE

on the communion table is placed in celebration of the birth of **Caroline** to Katie and Josh Stubbs on March 1. Proud great-grandparents are Roy and Lois Ann Wauford.

STATIONS THROUGH THE SQUARE:

First Presbyterian will participate in *Stations through the Square*, a community event held on Good Friday. FPC will be the second of the stops to commemorate the 14 Stations of the Cross. The Worship Committee is looking for volunteers to welcome the participants. If you are interested in helping for a couple of hours on Friday, March 30, please contact Kristy in the church office at 615-444-1360.

CHIMERS NEEDED:

Can you count to 11? We want to begin using hand chimes to ring in the hour at the 11:00 a.m. worship service. If you'd like to ring a chime, please contact Becky Burris (615-418-5607). We'll get together to practice and get a schedule set up for Chimers.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LEBANON, TENNESSEE

Service for the Lord's Day

Third Sunday in Lent

March 4, 2018

11:00 a.m.

THE GATHERING

To Glorify God and Enjoy God Forever

SILENT MEDITATION

PRELUDE *Solemn Prelude on a Theme by Thomas Tallis* Gerald Near

CHIMING THE HOUR

CHORAL INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

(from Psalm 23)

Leader:

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.
He makes me lie down in green pastures;
he leads me beside still waters; he restores my soul.
He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.

People:

Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil;
for you are with me; your rod and your staff—they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.

*HYMN NO. 281

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

CWM RHONDDA

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of Heaven, you feed us day after day until we should be full.
You freely provide us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation.
We confess that we turn up our noses at your manna.
We ignore your signs and hunger for food we don't need.
Forgive us when we complain and our belief is thin.
Have mercy on us, we pray. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

* Those who are able are invited to stand.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.
People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

* LENTEN RESPONSE

O Lamb of God Most Holy
O Lamb of God most holy! Who on the cross did suffer,
And patient still and lowly, Yourself to scorn did offer;
Our sins by You were taken, Or hope had us forsaken;
Have mercy on us, Jesus!

Hymn No. 82

* 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

John 6:35-40

I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry,
and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy arr. Ronald Turner

Come, ye sinners, poor and needy, weak and wounded, sick and sore,
Jesus ready stands to save you, full of pity, love, and power.

Come, ye thirsty, come and welcome, God's free bounty glorify;
True belief and true repentance, Ev'ry grace that brings you nigh.

I will arise and go to Jesus, he will embrace me in his arms;
In the arms of my dear Savior, Oh, there are ten thousand charms.

TIME FOR THE CHILDREN

Children are invited to come forward.

SERMON

I Am the Bread of Life Rev. Sherard Edington

RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

* HYMN NO. 513

Let Us Break Bread Together LET US BREAK BREAD

* 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

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Souvenir Marcel Dupre

* 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. 85

What Wondrous Love Is This WONDROUS LOVE

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

* CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee J.S. Bach