

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

Tuesday

9:00 a.m.   Preschool

Wednesday

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

Thursday

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

Friday

Saturday

First Presbyterian Church

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Wednesday Night Fellowship Dinner

April 26, 6:00 p.m.

Spaghetti, Salad, Bread, Dessert

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

SANCTUARY FLOWERS:

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in celebration of **Roy Wauford's** birthday by his family.

THE ROSE

on the Communion Table is placed in celebration of the birth of **Laurel Marie** to Annalena and Todd Johnston on March 17. Annalena is one of our nursery attendants.

DINGES HOUSE "SPRUCE UP" DAY

calls for volunteers to help spruce up the Dinges House on May 6. Please contact the church office for more information.

NACOME SUMMER CAMP

early registration due by May 1. NaCoMe offers a wide range of fun camp opportunities from wilderness camping to stay-up-all-night camps. For youth attending from FPC, the church will cover one-half the registration fee. For more information go to [www.nacome.org](http://www.nacome.org).

The 4 Cents-a-Meal

offering will be received today.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LEBANON, TENNESSEE

Service for the Lord's Day

Second Sunday of Easter

April 23, 2017

11:00 a.m.

THE GATHERING

To Glorify God and Enjoy God Forever

SILENT MEDITATION

PRELUDE

CHIMING THE HOUR

CHORAL INTROIT

\* CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader:   Glorious God, this is indeed the day which you have made.

People:   You cause new life to burst forth with beauty and fragrance.

Leader:   You adorn the creation with splendor and grandeur.

People:   We lift our voices to sing your praises.

Help us to walk in the confidence of Christ's company,  
              and look forward to the day when we will dine with him in glory.

Leader:   Surround us now with the assurance of your Holy Spirit as we sing,

People:   Alleluia, Christ is risen indeed!

\* HYMN NO. 121

That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright

PUER NOBIS NASCITUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, we confess that we do not always live as resurrected people.

We are constrained by the anxieties of this world:

the fear that we don't have enough,

the dread that we are not good enough.

Forgive us for not seeing your image in us.

Forgive us for not seeking your life in us.

Help us to accept that we are made in your love, your image, your peace. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

\* Those who are able are invited to stand.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Hear the Good News! God, with great mercy, has given us a new birth into a living hope, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. Friends, believe the Good News!

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

\* 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)

O Lord our God, your Word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path.  
Give us grace to receive your truth in faith and love,  
that we may be obedient to your will and live always for your glory;  
through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Peter 1:1-9

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM

*Honor and Glory, Power and Praise*

Keith Wilkerson

*Come, all ye people, lift up your praise to God our creator, the Ancient of Days,  
clothed in all splendor, reigning on high; Lord, we your people, lift up our cry!*

*Come, all ye people, come now and sing to Christ our Savior, Redeemer and King,  
pure Lamb of glory, our living Way. Love's sweetest story, to you we say:*

*Honor and glory, power and praise, Lord God Almighty, to thee we raise.  
We will proclaim it all of our days: Honor and glory, power and praise.*

*Come, all ye people, come and rejoice; God's Holy Spirit now dwells in us,  
pointing to Jesus, wonderful friend, guiding our hearts to live without end.*

*Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth, and sky and sea.*

TIME FOR THE CHILDREN

Children are invited to come forward.

SERMON

*Hostile Takeover*

Rev. Sherard Edington

RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

\* HYMN NO. 457

*I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art*

TOULON

\* 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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*Christ the Lord is Risen*

Schroeder

\* 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.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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SENDING FORTH

\* HYMN NO. 368

*I've Got Peace Like a River*

AFRICAN AMERICAN SPIRITUAL

\* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\* CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

*Polonaise*

J.S. Bach