

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. Sunday 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
- 8:00 a.m. Presbytery Meeting
 - 9:00 a.m. Preschool
 - 6:30 p.m. Praise Team
- Friday
- Saturday

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Wednesday Night Fellowship Dinner
May 2, 6:00 p.m.

Covered Dish

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

THE PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY of the congregation are extended to

Becky Harm and family on the death of her husband, **Bill Harm** on April 22.

Lois Ann Wauford and family on the death of her husband, **Roy Wauford**, on April 25.

THE FLOWERS in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and memory of **Roy Wauford** by his family.

WE WELCOME Shonda Johnson as our guest organist today.



Books for Kids

The Outreach Committee is sponsoring a book drive for new and gently used children's books to be donated to Timberline Campground. A donation box is located in the back hall near Fellowship Hall. Or bring your books to the Fish Fry on **Wednesday, May 16.**

SAVE THE DATE! 2018 VBS: June 25-27
Shipwrecked: Rescued by Jesus is the theme for this year's Vacation Bible School. If you are interested in helping, please call the church office.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LEBANON, TENNESSEE
Service for the Lord's Day
Fifth Sunday of Easter

April 29, 2018

11:00 a.m.

THE GATHERING

To Glorify God and Enjoy God Forever

SILENT MEDITATION

PRELUDE

A Morning Prayer

Donald Moore

CHIMING THE HOUR

CHORAL INTROIT

* CALL TO WORSHIP (*from Psalm 22*)

Leader: The poor shall eat and be satisfied;
those who seek him shall praise the Lord.

People: May your hearts live forever!

Leader: All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord;

People: And all the families of the nations shall worship before him.

Leader: For dominion belongs to the Lord,

People: And he rules over the nations.

* HYMN NO. 482

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

LOBE DEN HERREN

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of Mercy: Although we are called to be one body,
we confess that we fragment ourselves into a million selfish pieces.

You formed us as children of your love

but we insist on the right to despise our sisters and brothers.

While your Perfect Love was broken for us,

we are afraid to give of ourselves to the world.

Abide in us. Forgive us of our sins, so we may live boldly, love fearlessly,
and proclaim unceasingly that Jesus Christ is our Lord and Savior. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

* Those who are able are invited to stand.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: In this is love, not that we loved God but that God loved us
and sent his Son to take care of our sins. Because of God's love
in Christ, we are forgiven. Friends, believe the good news.
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)

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

John 15:1-8

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

Where All Charity and Love Are arr. Alan Bullard
(Refrain:) Where all charity and love are, God is always there.
We are all gathered unto one By Christ's love,
Let us all rejoice and be glad in him: let us praise God.
Let us revere and let us love the living God,
Let us love each other from the depths of our heart. (Refrain)
Therefore where'er we are gathered all together,
Let our thoughts not be divided
Let us cease to quarrel, let us live in peace,
Let us center our thoughts with Christ in our midst. (Refrain)
And with all the blessed company of saints let us see God.
Let us see your glorious and most holy face: Christ is the one.
Pure and unbounded joy be ours, Jesus Christ,
Our Lord for ever, and ever, Jesus Christ. Amen.

TIME FOR THE CHILDREN

Children are invited to come forward.

SERMON

I Am the True Vine Rev. Sherard Edington

RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

*HYMN NO. 251

Your Faithfulness, O Lord, Is Sure

WINCHESTER NEW

*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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All Creatures of Our God and King

arr. Mark Hayes

*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. 369

I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

I'M GONNA LIVE

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

O Worship the King

arr. Don Wyrzten