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

Worship 8:45 a.m. Sunday School 9:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m. Worship

Monday Tuesday

9:00 a.m.

Preschool

Wednesday

Choir Practice 6:30 p.m.

Thursday

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

Friday Saturday

First Presbyterian Church

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Participating in the 11:00 service today is **Christine** Brosend, organ. Christine is a member of the American Guild of Organists (AGO) and private voice instructor.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP: There will be no meal this Wednesday, May 9.

FISH FRY: Join us on Wednesday, May 16 for the Annual Fish Fry. The meal will begin at 6:00 p.m. and we will eat outside (weather permitting.) The cost of the meal is \$5.00. Don't miss this delightful event. Please call the church office at 615-444-1360 to make a reservation.



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.

SENIOR RECOGNITION: On Sunday, May 13 during the 11:00 service, we will recognize our graduating seniors. This year's graduates are Gordon Carroll, Travis Carroll, and Chloe Foutch.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LEBANON, TENNESSEE Service for the Lord's Day

Sixth Sunday of Easter May 6, 2018

11:00 a.m.

THE GATHERING

To Glorify God and Enjoy God Forever

SILENT MEDITATION

Prelude *Flutes* Jean Langlais

CHIMING THE HOUR

CHORAL INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 98)

Leader: O sing to the Lord a new song, People: For he has done marvelous things.

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; Break forth into joyous song and sing praises. People:

Leader: Sing praises to the Lord with the lyre,

People: With trumpets and the sound of the horn,

Leader: Let the sea roar, and all that fills it;

People: Let the hills sing together for joy at the presence of the Lord,

for he is coming.

*HYMN No. 106

Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks

Alleluia No.1

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

Unison Prayer of Confession

God of infinite love, we confess that we attempt to construct walls around you. We confess that we seek to limit your power as we determine who is worthy of your attention and who is not.

Forgive us and help us to understand that you can sweep away any barriers we build. We will never contain your grace and mercy.

May we recognize all people as your cherished children. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

^{*} Those who are able are invited to stand.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: At Jesus' name every knee in heaven and on the earth shall bow.

People: Every tongue will confess Christ is sovereign to God's glory.

Leader: Friends: believe the good news:

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. 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 Acts 10:44-48

Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

TIME FOR THE CHILDREN Children are invited to come forward.

SERMON Barriers Rev. Sherard Edington

RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

*HYMN No. 366 Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me

ST. CATHERINE

*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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*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

HYMN No. 505 Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread

ST. FLAVIAN

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. 420 God of Grace and God of Glory

CWM RHONDDA

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE We Thank Thee J.G. Walther