

8:45 a.m.

Worship

9:45 a.m.

Church School

11:00 a.m.

Worship

12:00 p.m.

Christian Ed Meeting

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

6:30 p.m.

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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

NOTE FROM THE PASTOR:

Dear Friends, I want to express my deep appreciation for your support in last week’s Congregational Meeting. I look forward to continuing to serve you officially as “Pastor.”

–Sherard

Participating in the 11:00 service today is **Katie Frazier**. Katie plays the oboe. Katie is a member of Tennessee Valley Winds and teaches privately in Murfreesboro.

KITCHEN UPDATE:

Please pardon the dust and mess as we continue the renovation of the kitchen. Pledges for the Kitchen Renovation Campaign are welcomed.

INFORMATION FOR THE NEW DIRECTORY:

In the Fellowship Hall you will find a list containing information for the church directory. Please check to make sure all of your information is correct. Please make any needed changes or corrections on the list or you may call Kristy in the church office.

TIMBERLINE:

We are presently taking food donations to the Timberline Campground. When our food arrives, the shelves almost always bare. We have seen people waiting for our food deliveries. PLEASE remember to bring canned food donations each Sunday and place them in the boxes in the hallway.

THE 4 CENTS A MEAL

offering will be received today. If you would like to donate, please use the yellow envelope in the pew pocket in front of you.

TODAY’S SERMON

is part of a year-long series of sermons from the Gospel According to Luke.

First Presbyterian Church

Lebanon, Tennessee

Service for the Lord’s Day

July 24, 2016

Seventeenth 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

Leader:

We have gathered in God's holy presence to commit ourselves in faith.

People:

This is the place where we are transformed.

Leader:

We glorify our God, who yearns for justice for the mighty and the small.

People:

This is the place where God will write compassion on our souls.

*HYMN NO. 267

All Things Bright and Beautiful

ROYAL OAK

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of Life, we confess that our faith is weak. Your words call us to reform, but we are too intent on changing others. Your words offer transformation, but we are too focused on conforming to this world. Your words speak rebirth to new life, but we refuse to let go of our old ways. Forgive us, Lord. Show us how to be persistent in living out our faith every moment of every day. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

* Those who are able are invited to stand.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Although we may not always hear God, God hears us.
God hears our confessions and offers us forgiveness.
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)

Almighty God,
by your Holy Spirit, open our minds,
that as the Scriptures are read
and your Word is proclaimed,
we may be led into your truth
and taught your will,
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 18:1-14

When the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Lowell Mason

TIME FOR THE CHILDREN

Children are invited to come forward.

SERMON

Dogged Devotion

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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The Lord’s My Shepherd

Francis Rous

*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. 438

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

DENNIS

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Nun Danket alle Gott

Held/Reger