

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

9:45 a.m.   Outreach Meeting

11:00 a.m.   Worship

12:00 p.m.   Session Meeting

Monday

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

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SANCTUARY FLOWERS:

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in celebration of Quinn Welser’s 6th birthday.

PRESCHOOL KICKS OFF NEW YEAR:

FPC welcomes all of our Preschool students. The returning teachers are Tammy Manning, Pattie Netherton, and Lyse Watson. Angela Hankins is the director. The school has openings in the 4 year-old classes this fall. Please call the church office for more information.

CONFIRMATION CLASS

for youth in 7th grade and above will begin on Sunday August 27 at 9:45 a.m. It will be led by Rev. Edington.

CONGRATULATIONS

to our church secretary, Kristy Vincent, on the birth of a grandson. Korbin Dallas-James Lawson was born August 10.

TIME AND TALENT SEARCH:

The church is seeking the “hidden” talents of the congregation with a Time & Talent Survey. We are asking that everyone take a moment and thoughtfully fill out the survey form. Check those things that you are doing and those things that you might be interested in. The survey does not obligate you in any way. Surveys are in the back windows of the sanctuary. Please return completed surveys to the church office.

SAVE THE DATE!

The Annual Church Picnic

will be held on Wednesday September 13 at 6:00 p.m. at Don Fox Community Park.

Wednesday Fellowship Meals

will resume September 20.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LEBANON, TENNESSEE

Service for the Lord’s Day

August 13, 2017

Tenth Sunday After Pentecost

11:00 a.m.

THE GATHERING

To Glorify God and Enjoy God Forever

SILENT MEDITATION

PRELUDE

CHIMING THE HOUR

CHORAL INTROIT

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 105)

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, call on his name,

People: Make known his deeds among the peoples.

Leader: Sing to him, sing praises to him;

People: Tell of all his wonderful works.

Leader: Remember the wonderful works he has done, his miracles, and the judgments he uttered.

People: Praise the Lord!

\*HYMN NO. 145

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!

MARION

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God who tames chaos, we confess that we are more adept at making waves than calming storms. We find it easier to push people out of the boat, rather than make room for those who are different from us. We get caught up in our own whirlwinds of activity and fail to notice your presence. Have mercy on us. Grab hold of us to keep us from drowning in our despair. Give us the words to speak of your hope to others. Fill our hearts with the love of Christ, which is closer to us than we dare imagine. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

\* Those who are able are invited to stand.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: The promise of God is our salvation.  
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)  
Living God,  
help us so to hear your holy Word that we may truly understand;  
that, understanding, we may believe,  
and, believing, we may follow in all faithfulness and obedience,  
seeking your honor and glory in all that we do;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 14:22-33  
*Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.*  
The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM O Lord, Increase My Faith Orlando Gibbons  
*O Lord, increase my faith, strengthen me and confirm me in Thy true faith;  
endue me with wisdom, charity, and patience.  
In all my adversity, sweet Jesus, say Amen*

TIME FOR THE CHILDREN Children are invited to come forward.

SERMON Take My Hand Rev. Sherard Edington

RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

\*HYMN NO. 404 *Precious Lord, Take My Hand* PRECIOUS LORD

\*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  
OFFERTORY *Gigue* Buxtehude  
\*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.*

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SENDING FORTH

\*HYMN NO. 282 *If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee* WER NUR DEN LIEBEN GOTT

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION  
\*CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE *Poco Allegretto* Franck