

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  
12:15 p.m.    Session & Personnel Committee Meeting

Monday

Tuesday

9:00 a.m.    Preschool  
10:30 a.m.    Renovations Committee Meeting

Wednesday

6:00 p.m.    Brown Bag  
6:30 p.m.    Choir Practice

Thursday

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

Friday

Saturday

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Our guest organist today is **J. D. Plant**. J. D. has both Bachelor's and Master's Degrees in Organ Performance from McGill University and postgraduate studies at Boston Conservatory. He is a member of the Nashville Chapter of the American Guild of Organists (AGO.)

SAVE THE DATE!

The **Annual Church Picnic** will be held on  
Wednesday September 19 at 6:00 p.m.  
at Don Fox Community Park.

Wednesday Fellowship Meals will resume  
September 26.

Music Notes:

Francois Couperin was one of the most famous composers of the late 17th century, being appointed court organist by King Louis XIV at Versailles. Previously, he had served the St. Gervais Church in Paris. Incidentally, the Couperin "dynasty" at St. Gervais lasted for over 200 years, with members of the same family appointed in succession as organists there for that period of time.  
Daniel Gawthrop is a modern American composer of the Mormon faith. The "Exultate" premiered at the Princeton University Chapel in 2006.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LEBANON, TENNESSEE

Service for the Lord's Day

August 19, 2018

Twentieth 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 (from Psalm 80)

Leader:    Restore us, O God.

People:    Let your face shine, that we may be saved.

Leader:    You make us the scorn of our neighbors;  
                 our enemies laugh among themselves.

People:    Restore us, O God of hosts;  
                 let your face shine, that we may be saved.

Leader:    Give us life, and we will call on your name.

People:    Restore us, O Lord God of hosts;  
                 let your face shine, that we may be saved.

\* HYMN NO. 260

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

EIN' FESTE BURG

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of Might and Power,  
Even though we are fragile and broken, you invite us to build something holy.  
We confess that when called to bring healing, we become critical. We mock the efforts of those who serve. We prefer to work for own prestige as we ignore the cries of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Heal our brokenness.  
Inspire us to build the gates of your kingdom instead of constructing our own impenetrable walls. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

\* Those who are able are invited to stand.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: God is slow to anger and full of compassion.  
People: God forgives all who humbly repent.  
Leader: Friends, this is the good news.  
People: In the name of 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. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Nehemiah 4:1-9

*So we prayed to our God, and set a guard as a protection against them day and night.*  
The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM

*Lift Every Voice and Sing*

arr. Greg Gilpin

*Lift ev'ry voice and sing, till earth and heaven ring, ring with the harmony of liberty.  
Let our rejoicing rise high as the list'ning skies, let it resound loud as the rolling sea.*  
*Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us.  
Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought to us.*  
*Facing the rising sun of our new day begun, let us march on till victory is won.*  
*Stony the road we trod, bitter the chast'ning rod, felt in the days when hope unborn had died.*  
*Yet, with a steady beat, have not our weary feet come to the place for which our fathers signed?*  
*Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us.*  
*Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us, brought us.*  
*Facing the rising sun of our new day begun, let us march on, let us march on, till victory is won.*

TIME FOR THE CHILDREN

Children are invited to come forward.

SERMON

*Double Duty*

Rev. Sherard Edington

RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

\* HYMN NO. 394

*There Is a Balm in Gilead*

BALM IN GILEAD

\* 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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*Fugue on 2 Reeds*

Francois Couperin

\* 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. 488

*The God of Abraham Praise*

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\* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\* CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

*Exultate*

Daniel Gawthrop