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. Confirmation Class
11:00 a.m. Worship

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

First Presbyterian Church

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the marriage of **Sara Hay** and **Reston Hartsell** who were married in the sanctuary yesterday.

ARE YOU INTERESTED?

A Disciple II class is forming now. The first half of Disciple II covers Genesis and Exodus, and the second half covers Luke and Acts. Disciple I is a prerequisite to Disciple II and the format of the study is the same (group based discussion), although there is much less reading. If you are interested, or have any questions, please email Jeff Campbell at jeffreywcampbell@gmail.com before August 28th so that materials can be ordered for a September start.

OUTREACH NEEDS: The Outreach Committee is seeking volunteers for the following:

- Individuals holding a CDL willing to assist with Compassionate Hands transportation. Please contact Charles Johnson.
- Twelve sponsors for the SCAN Santa for a senior citizen project. Please contact Catherine Hanson or Lee Lyle.

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
Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost

11:00 a.m.

August 27, 2017

THE GATHERING

To Glorify God and Enjoy God Forever

SILENT MEDITATION

Prelude Flute Solo

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CHIMING THE HOUR

CHORAL INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Isaiah 56:1-8)

Leader: Maintain justice, and do what is right, for soon my salvation will

come, and my deliverance be revealed.

People: And the foreigners who join themselves to the Lord

these I will bring to my holy mountain.

Leader: I will make them joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt offerings

and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar;

People: My house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples.

*HYMN No. 423

Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun

DUKE STREET

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO RECONCILIATION UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, you brought forth creation with the power of your Word.

When you speak the mountains shake and the oceans become still.

We confess that our own words can be weak and insignificant.

Too frequently we use our words as weapons to hurt others.

Forgive us we pray. Forgive us when we worship you with empty words.

May our lips always speak words of love. 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. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 15:1-20

What comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM With Grateful Heart

arr. Mark Schweizer

With grateful heart my thanks I bring, Before the throne thy praise I sing; I worship in thy holy place, And praise thee for thy truth and grace.

O Lord, enthroned in glory bright, Thou reignest in the heav'nly height; Thy truth and grace together shine In thy most holy Word divine.

The work thou hast for me begun, Shall by thy grace be fully done; For ever mercy dwells with thee; O Lord, my God, abide with me.

TIME FOR THE CHILDREN

Children are invited to come forward.

SERMON Love One Another Rev. Sherard Edington

RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

*HYMN No. 345 Dear Lord and Father of Mankind

REST

*Affirmation of Faith

Colossians 1:15-20

Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible.

All things have been created through him and for him.

He himself is before all things,

and in him all things hold together.

He is head of the body, the church;

he is the beginning,

the firstborn of the dead,

so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile all things,

whether on earth or in heaven,

by making peace through the blood of his cross. Amen.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY Poco Lento Franck

*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. 394 There Is a Balm in Gilead BALM IN GILEAD

*Charge and Benediction

*CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE Allegro Pomposo Roseingrave