#### 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

Committee Meeting

11:00 a.m. Worship

12:15 p.m. Session Meeting

#### Monday Tuesday

9:00 a.m. Preschool

#### 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

## First Presbyterian Church

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#### SAVE THE DATE!

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

Get Your Musical Therapy On!

Tornado to Oz

Pipe Organ and Piano Recital
featuring the Vierne Organ Symphony No. 1

Sunday, September 23 4:00 p.m.

JD Plant, organist

Outreach: We will continue to collect donations of food and personal hygiene items. Donations will be given to the Wilson County Schools Family Resource Center. Cash donations will be used to benefit the Wilson County Help Center. Donations to the Family Resource Center are used for the Back Pack Program that provides school children with nutritious and easy-to-prepare food to take home on weekends and school vacations when other resources are not available.

SCAN - Santa for a Senior: Again this year, the church has agreed to play Santa to 12 people in the Senior Citizens Awareness Network (SCAN) program in Wilson County. SCAN is a nonprofit organization that reaches out to the county's elderly population and addresses the needs of isolated, lonely, at risk and financially challenged seniors. If you would like to sponsor a senior this Christmas, please contact Catherine Hanson at: *chanson457@yahoo.com*. You will be given an individual Wish List for one of the seniors and we will set up collection boxes for them in the back hall as we have in previous years.

# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

#### LEBANON, TENNESSEE

Service for the Lord's Day

September 9, 2018 Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

11:00 a.m.

#### THE GATHERING

To Glorify God and Enjoy God Forever

SILENT MEDITATION

PRELUDE Concerto in A minor Antonio Vivaldi

CHIMING THE HOUR

**CHORAL INTROIT** 

\*Call to Worship (from Psalm 125)

Leader: Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion.

People: Mount Zion which cannot be moved, but abides forever.

Leader: As the mountains surround Jerusalem, People: So the Lord surrounds his people.

Leader: Do good, O Lord, to those who are good,

and to those who are upright in their hearts.

People: But those who turn aside to their own crooked ways

the Lord will lead away with evildoers.

\*HYMN No. 476 O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!

LYONS

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

# CALL TO RECONCILIATION UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Have mercy upon us, O Lord, Spare those who confess their faults.

Restore those who are penitent.

We admit that we have failed you in many ways:

We have failed to keep the law by not loving one another.

We have shunned your holy commandments.

We have slept when we should have been awake and watching for your arrival. Forgive us we pray. Amen.

#### SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

\* Those who are able are invited to stand.

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#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: We were created in the image of God, but have been defiled with

the stain of sin. Christ takes away that stain and makes us pure.

People: Thanks be to God! In the name of Christ we are forgiven.

\*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)

God, source of all light,

by your Word you give light to the soul.

Pour out upon us the spirit of wisdom and understanding

that, being taught by you in Holy Scripture,

our hearts and minds may be opened to know the things

that pertain to life and holiness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## SCRIPTURE READING

James 2:1-17

So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

#### **ANTHEM**

At the Name of Jesus

James Kirby

At the name of Jesus, ev'ry knee shall bow, Ev'ry tongue confess him King of glory now; It is his pleasure, we should call him Lord, who from the beginning was the mighty Word.

Humbled for a season, to receive a Name from the lips of sinners, unto whom he came, gladly he bore it spotless to the last, brought it back victorious, when from death he passed.

Bore it up triumphant, with its human light, through the ranks of creatures to the central height, Before the throne and to the Father's breast, Filled it with the glory of that perfect rest.

## TIME FOR THE CHILDREN

Children are invited to come forward.

SERMON Burn-In Rev. Sherard Edington

#### RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

\*Hymn No. 359

More Love to Thee, O Christ

MORE LOVE TO THEE

## \*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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Trio

F. 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

(Traditional) Hymnal Page 16

## SENDING FORTH

\*HYMN No. 443

O Christ, the Great Foundation

AURELIA

\*Charge and Benediction

\*CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Finale from the "Royal Fireworks"

G. F. Handel