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

Monday

2:00 p.m. Knitting Group

Tuesday Wednesday

7:00 p.m. Choir Practice

Thursday

8:00 a.m. Presbytery Meeting 6:30 p.m. Praise Team

Friday Saturday

First Presbyterian Church

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WEDNESDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP

Because of fall break there will be no fellowship dinner on October 19. Dinners will resume on Wednesday, October 26.

THE PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY of the congregation are extended to:

Billy and Vickie See and family on the death of Billy's mother, **Pauline See**, who died on October 6.

The family of **Rob King** upon his death on October 11. Rob is a former member of FPC. In remembrance of his birthday, there will be a gathering of family and friends in the fellowship hall on October 24 at from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m.

Work DAY: In preparation for Compassionate Hands which begins in December, the Outreach Committee is organizing a Work Day at the Annex on Saturday, November 5 from 9 a.m. to noon. Everyone is welcome to participate.

COMPASSIONATE HANDS will begin Saturday, December 3 and run through March 11. Volunteers are needed to spend the night and to do laundry. Clothing and toiletry items are also needed. The sign-up sheet and list are on the bulletin board in the back hallway. The Outreach Committee appreciates all those providing their time & talents.

AN INQUIRERS CLASS for those interested in joining the church will begin Sunday, October 30. It will meet at 9:45 a.m. each Sunday for four weeks and will be led by Rev. Edington. Please contact the office if you are interested.

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

October 16, 2016 Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

11:00 a.m.

THE GATHERING

To Glorify God and Enjoy God Forever

SILENT MEDITATION

PRELUDE Ave Maria Bruckner

CHIMING THE HOUR

CHORAL INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 119)

Leader: God's Word is always with me.

People: God's Word is sweet to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth.

Leader: God's covenant is written on my heart.

People: God's commandment makes me wiser than my enemies.

Leader: Young and old, powerful and powerless--may we all know God.

People: Let us worship the Lord!

*HYMN No. 210

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

ST. ANNE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO RECONCILIATION UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy Lord, you call us to be your voice in this world and we stay silent. You call us to be your hands in this world and we keep them hidden.

You call us to be your feet in this world and we go our own way.

When we meet those who are doubting and say nothing, forgive us.

When we meet those who need your touch and do nothing, forgive us.

When we are called to take up your cross and carry nothing, forgive us.

Bring freedom to these lives that we might declare with heart and soul and voice that you are our Lord and our God. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

* Those who are able are invited to stand.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will forgive

and restore my people, when I will equip them for every good

work, when I will grant justice.

People: God hears our prayers and delivers forgiveness.

Leader: This is the good news of the gospel.

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)

God of mercy, you promised never to break your covenant with us. Amid all the changing words of our generation, speak your eternal Word that does not change.

Then may we respond to your gracious promises with faithful and obedient lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 22:66-23:25

Crucify, crucify him!

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

Lamb of God

F. Melius Christiansen

Lamb of God most holy! Who on the cross didst suffer, Patient still and lowly, Thyself to scorn didst offer; Our sins by Thee were taken, Or hope for us forsaken; Have mercy on us, O Jesu!

TIME FOR THE CHILDREN

Children are invited to come forward.

SERMON An Even Darker Day

Rev. Sherard Edington

RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

*Hymn No. 384

O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go

ST. MARGARET

*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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Adagio from 3rd Symphony

Vierne

*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. 82 O Lamb of God Most Holy!

Lamb of God Most Holy! O LAMM GOTTES

*Charge and Benediction

*CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE Fugue in a minor

Anon