## First Presbyterian Church Established 1988 PCA

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Who is First Presbyterian Church?

We belong to the family of the Redeemed. Transformed by the grace of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection, we are delighting in the supremacy of God in all things as we reach up to Him in worship, reach in to one another with biblical teaching and shepherding care, and reach out to the world with Christ.

> So that in everything He might be preeminent. Colossians 1:18

### Order of Worship

\*Please stand if you are able. Bold text indicates congregational response.

Welcome and Announcements

#### Preparation for Worship

Who is like you, O Lord, among the gods? Who is like you, glorious in holiness, fearful in praises, doing wonders? May we approach you with the humility which is due to your greatness, and the hope that becomes your goodness. For though you are high, yet you have respect for the lowly; and though continually adored by thrones and dominions, principalities and powers, yet you despise not the prayer of the destitute, but will hear their prayer. Our fathers cried unto you and were delivered. They trusted in you and were not confounded. And you never said to the seed of Jacob, seek me in vain. Amen.

William Jay

Call to Worship

Isaiah 6:1-8

In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the LORD sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple. <sup>2</sup> Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. <sup>3</sup> And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory!"

<sup>4</sup> And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. <sup>5</sup> And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

<sup>6</sup> Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. <sup>7</sup> And he touched my mouth and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for."

<sup>8</sup> And I heard the voice of the LORD saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here I am! Send me."

Holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee. Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy! All the saints adore thee, Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, Who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee, Though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see, Only thou art holy; there is none beside thee Perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea. Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

\*Prayer of Adoration

*Hymn of Praise	O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus!	#535
O the deep, deep	love of Jesus! Vast, unmeasured, boundless, free;	
Rolling as a migh	ty ocean in its fullness over me.	
Underneath me,	all around me, is the current of thy love;	
Leading onward,	leading homeward, to thy glorious rest above.	
O the deep, deep	love of Jesus! Spread his praise from shore to shore;	
	ver loveth, changeth never, nevermore;	
How he watches	o'er his loved ones, died to call them all his own;	
How for them he	e intercedeth, watcheth o'er them from the throne.	
O the deep, deep	love of Jesus! Love of ev'ry love the best:	
	t of blessing, 'tis a haven sweet of rest.	
	love of Jesus! 'tis a heav'n of heav'ns to me;	
And it lifts me up	to glory, for it lifts me up to thee.	

And it lifts me up to glory, for it lifts me up to thee.

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At Caesarea there was a man named Cornelius, a centurion of what was known as the Italian Cohort, <sup>2</sup> a devout man who feared God with all his household, gave alms generously to the people, and prayed continually to God. <sup>3</sup> About the ninth hour of the day he saw clearly in a vision an angel of God come in and say to him, "Cornelius." <sup>4</sup> And he stared at him in terror and said, "What is it, Lord?" And he said to him, "Your prayers and your alms have ascended as a memorial before God. <sup>5</sup> And now send men to Joppa and bring one Simon who is called Peter. <sup>6</sup> He is lodging with one Simon, a tanner, whose house is by the sea." <sup>7</sup> When the angel who spoke to him had departed, he called two of his servants and a devout soldier from among those who attended him, <sup>8</sup> and having related everything to them, he sent them to Joppa.

<sup>9</sup> The next day, as they were on their journey and approaching the city, Peter went up on the housetop about the sixth hour to pray. <sup>10</sup> And he became hungry and wanted something to eat, but while they were preparing it, he fell into a trance <sup>11</sup> and saw the heavens opened and something like a great sheet descending, being let down by its four corners upon the earth. <sup>12</sup> In it were all kinds of animals and reptiles and birds of the air. <sup>13</sup> And there came a voice to him: "Rise, Peter; kill and eat." <sup>14</sup> But Peter said, "By no means, Lord; for I have never eaten anything that is common or unclean." <sup>15</sup> And the voice came to him again a second time, "What God has made clean, do not call common." <sup>16</sup> This happened three times, and the thing was taken up at once to heaven.

<sup>17</sup> Now while Peter was inwardly perplexed as to what the vision that he had seen might mean, behold, the men who were sent by Cornelius, having made inquiry for Simon's house, stood at the gate <sup>18</sup> and called out to ask whether Simon who was called Peter was lodging there. <sup>19</sup> And while Peter was pondering the vision, the Spirit said to him, "Behold, three men are looking for you. <sup>20</sup> Rise and go down and accompany them without hesitation, for I have sent them." 21 And Peter went down to the men and said, "I am the one you are looking for. What is the reason for your coming?" <sup>22</sup> And they said, "Cornelius, a centurion, an upright and God-fearing man, who is well spoken of by the whole Jewish nation, was directed by a holy angel to send for you to come to his house and to hear what you have to say." <sup>23</sup> So he invited them in to be his guests.

The next day he rose and went away with them, and some of the brothers from Joppa accompanied him.

Apostles' Creed

Profession of Faith

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer of Confession and Intercession

\*Assurance of Pardon

Hebrews 1:1-4

Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, <sup>2</sup> but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world. <sup>3</sup> He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, <sup>4</sup> having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

To all who have received the Gospel, know that in Christ, your sins are forgiven and be at peace. My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness; I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand; All other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness veils his lovely face, I rest on his unchanging grace; In ev'ry high and stormy gale my anchor holds within the veil. (Chorus)

His oath, his covenant, his blood support me in the whelming flood; When all around my soul gives way, he then is all my hope and stay. (Chorus)

When he shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in him be found; Dressed in his righteousness alone, faultless to stand before the throne. (Chorus)

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Sermon

Luke 18:9-14 Parable of the Pharisee and Tax Collector Ryan Angel

Come, ye souls by sin afflicted, bowed with fruitless sorrow down. By the broken law convicted, through the cross, behold the crown. Look to Jesus. Mercy flows through Him alone.

Take His easy yoke and wear it. Love will make obedience sweet. Christ will give you strength to bear it, while His wisdom guides your feet Safe to glory, where His ransomed captives meet.

Blessed are the eyes that see Him; blest the ears that hear His voice. Blessed are the souls that trust Him, and in Him alone rejoice; His commandments then become their happy choice.

Sweet as home to pilgrims weary, light to newly opened eyes, Or full springs in deserts dreary is the rest the cross supplies; All who taste it shall to rest immortal rise.

\*Closing Prayer

And now may He grace you with his presence, So that the weak might say, 'I am strong', and the poor will say, 'I am rich', and the feeble will say, 'I am upheld'. Sermon Notes:

## Come, Ye Souls by Sin Afflicted

1.Come, ye souls by sin af - flict - ed, bowed with
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#### News and Announcements

There will not be an evening service tonight.

Please join the Fall Women's Bible Study *Better: A Study of Hebrews* by Jen Wilkin, every Tuesday, **September 10** through **November 12**, 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. The cost is \$10. There is a signup sheet in the hallway; note if you need childcare.

The Women's Ministry Team is announcing an evening study of *Whiter Than Snow: Meditations on Sin and Mercy* by Paul David Tripp, starting Thursday, **September 26,** 6 to 7 p.m. The cost is \$10. There is a signup sheet in the hallway.

Mark your calendars for a joint service, **September 29**, 5:30 p.m. at FPC. A signup sheet for refreshments will be available soon.

# First Catechism (for children of all ages)

Weeks 1-5 God Weeks 6-12 Creation Weeks 13-19 Fall/Sin Weeks 20-28 Salvation by grace alone, through Christ alone Weeks 29-30 Repentance and Faith Weeks 31-48 Growing in Grace Weeks 49-52 Heaven now and in the future

Week 1, September 1

#### What is God? God is a Spirit and does not have a body like man.

Week 2, September 8

Is there more that one true God? No, there is only one true God.

#### Schedule

Sunday Morning Worship Service Sunday Morning Bible Study (all ages) Sunday Evening Study Women's Monday Theology Study Men's Thursday Bible Study Octogenarian/Nonagenarian (ON) Lunch Women's Tuesday Bible Study

# Giving

General	Fund	
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2024 week 9/1/2024	\$ 13,622
Giving YTD	\$ 389,485
YTD Budget	\$ 242,341

#### Our Missionary Family International

Lydia Goeglein, MTW Sofia Bulgaria Brian & Becky Schrader, Pioneers in Africa Lee Leadbetter, RUF International at UT Julian & Rachel Bacon, MTW Brussels

#### Session

Andy Aikens TE, Senior Pastor Robert Berman, RE '27 Bobby Duck RE '25 Jim Sparks RE '26 Forrest Marion RE, Clerk, '26

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10:45 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m. 9:00 a.m. Monthly 9:30 a.m. starting 9/10

#### Deacon's Fund

2024 YTD Giving	\$ 6,150
2023 Rollover	\$ 4,841
2024 Disbursements	\$ 2,616

#### Local

Christ Church Presbyterian in Powell Plateau Pregnancy Services Good Samaritans, 10th Street RUF Tennessee Tech, Ryan Angel

#### Deacons

Dave Miser, Chair '25 Greg Wood '24 Vince Grilley '26 John Reed '26

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Today Next Week Aubrey Lewis Orville Ennis

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Today Next Week

#### Nursery

Today

Next Week

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