

# First Presbyterian Church

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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

Psalm 121:1b-2

Where does our help come from?

**Our help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth.**

Preparation for Worship

O God, you are life, wisdom, truth, bounty, and blessedness, the eternal, the only true good; our God and our Lord, you are our hope and our heart's joy- we acknowledge with thanksgiving that you have made us in your image, and that we may direct our thoughts to you. Lord, make us know you aright, that we may love, enjoy, and possess you more and more through Jesus Christ.

Anselm

Call to Worship

Psalm 96:1-10a

- Oh sing to the LORD a new song;  
sing to the LORD, all the earth!
- <sup>2</sup> Sing to the LORD, bless his name;  
tell of his salvation from day to day.
- <sup>3</sup> Declare his glory among the nations,  
his marvelous works among all the peoples!
- <sup>4</sup> For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised;  
he is to be feared above all gods.
- <sup>5</sup> For all the gods of the peoples are worthless idols,  
but the LORD made the heavens.
- <sup>6</sup> Splendor and majesty are before him;  
strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.
- <sup>7</sup> Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples,  
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength!
- <sup>8</sup> Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;  
bring an offering, and come into his courts!
- <sup>9</sup> Worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness;  
tremble before him, all the earth!
- <sup>10</sup> Say among the nations, "The LORD reigns!"

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise,  
The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace.

My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,  
To spread through all the earth abroad the honors of thy name.

Jesus, the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease;  
'Tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.

He breaks the pow'r of reigning sin, he sets the pris'ner free;  
His blood can make the foulest clean, his blood availed for me.

He speaks and, list'ning to his voice, new life the dead receive;  
The mournful, broken hearts rejoice; the humble poor believe.

Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb, your loosen'd tongues employ;  
Ye blind, behold your Savior come; and leap, ye lame, for joy.

\*Prayer of Adoration

O the deep, deep love of Jesus! Vast, unmeasured, boundless, free;  
Rolling as a mighty 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;  
How he loveth, ever loveth, changeth never, nevermore;  
How he watches o'er his loved ones, died to call them all his own;  
How for them he intercedeth, watcheth o'er them from the throne.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus! Love of ev'ry love the best:  
'Tis an ocean vast of blessing, 'tis a haven sweet of rest.  
O the deep, deep 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.

“I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. <sup>2</sup> Every branch in me that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit. <sup>3</sup> Already you are clean because of the word that I have spoken to you. <sup>4</sup> Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. <sup>5</sup> I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. <sup>6</sup> If anyone does not abide in me he is thrown away like a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. <sup>7</sup> If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. <sup>8</sup> By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples. <sup>9</sup> As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. <sup>10</sup> If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. <sup>11</sup> These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.

<sup>12</sup> “This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. <sup>13</sup> Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends. <sup>14</sup> You are my friends if you do what I command you. <sup>15</sup> No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you. <sup>16</sup> You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you. <sup>17</sup> These things I command you, so that you will love one another.

## Profession of Faith

## Westminster Confession of Faith

## Chapter 8.8

*Of Christ the Mediator*

To all those for whom Christ has purchased redemption, he does certainly and effectually apply and communicate the same; **making intercession for them, and revealing unto them, in and by the Word, the mysteries of salvation;** effectually persuading them by his Spirit to believe and obey, and governing their hearts by his Word and Spirit; **overcoming all their enemies by his almighty power and wisdom...**

Hear my prayer O Lord, and answer me.  
I am poor and needy.  
Save my life, for you are the only God.  
For to you I cry.

You, O Lord, are full of mercy,  
Gracious are you, O God.  
Slow to anger, abounding in faithfulness,  
Turn to me, deliver me.  
Save me in your love.

You O Lord, are good and forgiving.  
Give ear to my prayer.  
Teach your way, so that I may walk in your truth.  
Fix my heart to fear you. (Chorus)

## Prayer of Confession

## \*Assurance of Pardon

## Romans 8:26-30

Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words. <sup>27</sup> And he who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. <sup>28</sup> And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. <sup>29</sup> For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. <sup>30</sup> And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.

To all who have received the Gospel,  
know that in Christ, your sins are forgiven and be at peace.

\*Song of Rejoicing

There is a Redeemer

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There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God's own Son,  
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.

Thank you O my Father for giving us your Son,  
And leaving your Spirit till the work on earth is done.

Jesus my Redeemer, name above all names,  
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, O for sinners slain. (Chorus)

When I stand in glory, I will see his face;  
There I'll serve my King forever in that holy place. (Chorus)

Sermon

What Stops Us From Living Missionally?  
Isaiah 62:8-63:14

Ryan Angel

Facing a task unfinished that drives us to our knees  
A need that, undiminished, rebukes our slothful ease.  
We, who rejoice to know thee, renew before thy throne  
The solemn pledge we owe thee to go and make thee known.

Where other lords beside thee hold their unhindered sway  
Where forces that defied thee defy thee still today  
With none to heed their crying for life, and love, and light  
Unnumbered souls are dying and pass into the night.

We go to all the world with kingdom hope unfurled.  
No other name has power to save but Jesus Christ, the Lord.

We bear the torch that flaming fell from the hands of those  
Who gave their lives proclaiming that Jesus died and rose  
Ours is the same commission the same glad message ours  
Fired by the same ambition to thee we yield our powers. (Chorus)

O Father who sustained them, O Spirit who inspired  
Savior, whose love constrained them to toil with zeal untired  
From cowardice defend us from lethargy awake!  
Forth on thine errands send us to labor for thy sake. (Chorus)

\*Closing Prayer

*from* Habakkuk 2:14 and Matthew 28:16-20

By the grace of the Lord,  
go to the nations, go to your family, friends, and co-workers,  
go to the lonely and weary, go into the hospital, and into the homes;  
let the whole earth be filled with the knowledge of the Lord.  
Preach the Gospel, to everyone, everywhere.  
Use words. And know with great joy:  
on that day, the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the Lord  
as the waters cover the sea. Amen

# Hear My Prayer

Psalm 86

1. Hear my prayer O Lord, and answer me.  
2. You O Lord, are good and forgiving.

3 I am poor and needy.  
Give ear to my prayer.

5 Save my life, for You are the only God.  
7 Teach your way, so that I may walk in your truth.

9 For to you I cry  
Fix my heart to fear you.

11 You, O Lord, are full of mercy,  
gracious are you, O God.

13 Slow to anger, abounding in faithfulness,  
15 turn to me, deliver me. Save me in your love.

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# There Is a Redeemer

Keith Green

1. There is a Re - deem - er,  
2. Je - sus, my Re - deem - er,  
3. When I stand in Glo - - ry,  
Je - sus, God's own Son,  
name a - bove all names,  
I will see His face,  
Pre - cious Lamb of God, Mes - si - ah,  
Pre - cious Lamb of God, Mes - si - ah,  
there I'll serve my king for - e - ver,  
Ho - - - ly One.  
O, for sin - ners slain.  
in that ho - ly place.  
Thank You, O my Fa - - ther, for  
giv - ing us your Son; and  
leav - ing Your Spi - rit 'til the  
work on Earth is done.

# Facing a Task Unfinished



1. Fac - ing a task un - fin - ished that drives us to our  
2. Where oth - er lords be - side thee hold their un - hind - ered  
3. We bear the torch that fla - ming fell from the hands of  
4. O Fa - ther who sus - tained them, O Spi - rit who in -



knees, a need that un - dim - in - ished re - bukes our sloth - ful  
sway, where for - ces that de - fied thee, de - fy thee still to -  
those who gave their lives pro - claim - ing that Je - sus died and  
spired, Sa - vior, whose love con - strained them to toil with zeal un -



ease. We, who re - joice to know thee, re - new be - fore thee  
- day, with none to heed their cry - ing, for life, and love and  
rose; ours is the same com - mis - sion, the same glad mes - sage  
- tired, from cow - ard - ice de - fend us, from le - thar - gy a -

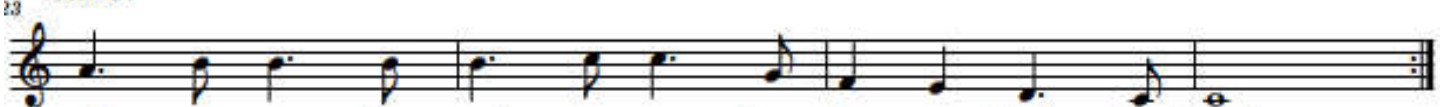


throne, the so - lemn pledge we owe thee, to go and make thee known.

light, un - numbered souls are dy - ing and pass in - to the  
ours, fired by the same am - bi - tion to thee we yield our  
- wake! Forth on thine er - rands send us to la - bor for thy



night. We go to all the world, with king - dom hope unfurled. No  
pow'rs.  
sake.



oth - er name has pow'r to save but Je - sus Christ, the Lord.

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## News and Announcements

Are you able to prepare coffee, tea, water, and simple snacks? There is a sign-up sheet if you would like to serve by preparing and/or cleaning up the Sunday morning refreshments.

Mark your calendars for a joint evening service on Sunday, **March 30** at 5:30 p.m. Grace Presbyterian Church in Cookeville. Please advise the office if you need transportation.

### 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 29, March 16

What must you do to be saved?

**I must repent of my sin and believe in Christ my Savior.**

Week 30, March 23

How do you repent of your sin?

**I must be sorry for my sin, and hate and forsake it.**

What does it mean to believe in Christ?

**To trust in Christ alone for my salvation.**

Hymn of the Month—copies are available on the table in the hallway.

**There is a Redeemer**

## Schedule

Sunday Morning Worship Service	10:45 a.m.
Sunday Morning Bible Study (all ages)	9:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening Study	6:00 p.m. On Break Winter Months
Women's Monday Theology Study	2:00 p.m.
Men's Thursday Bible Study	9:00 a.m.
Octogenarian/Nonagenarian (ON) Lunch	Monthly
Women's Tuesday Bible Study	9:30 a.m.

## Giving

### General Fund

2025 week 3/16	\$ 26,220
Giving YTD	\$ 229,200
YTD Budget	\$ 104,396

### Deacon's Fund

2025 YTD Giving	\$ 2,270
2024 Rollover	\$ 2,610
2025 Disbursements	\$ 1,942

## 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  
Reformed Church of Ghent, Belgium

## North America & Local

Christ Church Presbyterian in Powell  
Plateau Pregnancy Services  
Good Samaritans, 10th Street  
RUF Tennessee Tech, Ryan Angel  
Rural Church Development, Corey Pelton  
Myers Park Initiative, Greg Salazar  
Occom Ministries, Native American Initiative

## Session

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

## Deacons

Dave Miser, Chair '25  
Vince Grilley '26  
John Reed '26  
Mike Tuuk '27

## Staff

Music Director	Matt Bundy
Finance/Admin	Holly Kisly

## Security Team

Today	Mike Tuuk
Next Week	Tim Grimes

## Ministry Support

Treasurer	Bill Allbright
Newsletter	Darlene Gendjar
Library	Kathy Pipkin
Technology Specialists	Matt Bundy, Jeff Nichols, Tom Buettner, Levi Powell,
Accompanists	Matt Bundy, Robert Berman, Scott Hewitt, Isabelle Aikens
Sanctuary Flowers	Sherry Hewitt

## Greeters

Today	Vince & Louise Grilley
Next Week	Judy Hawes

## Nursery

Today	Isabelle Aikens Brianna Sears
Next Week	April Marion Laura Powell