

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 of my delight, your throne of grace is the pleasure ground of my soul. Here I obtain mercy in time of need, here see the smile of your reconciled face, here joy pleads the name of Jesus, here I sharpen the sword of the Spirit, anoint the shield of faith, put on the helmet of salvation, gather manna from your word, am strengthened for each conflict, made ready for the upward race, empowered to conquer every foe. Help me to come to Christ as the fountain head of descending blessings, as a wide open flood-gate of mercy.

The Valley of Vision

Call to Worship

Psalm 99:1-5

The LORD reigns; let the peoples tremble!

He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!

² The LORD is great in Zion;

he is exalted over all the peoples.

³ Let them praise your great and awesome name!

Holy is he!

⁴ The King in his might loves justice.

You have established equity;

you have executed justice

and righteousness in Jacob.

⁵ Exalt the LORD our God;

worship at his footstool!

Holy is he!

Prayer of Adoration

Sing, ye saints, admire and wonder, Jesus' matchless love adore;
Sing for Sinai's awful thunder shall upon you burst no more.
Sing, in spite of Satan's lying; sing, though sins are black and large;
Sing, for Jesus, by his dying, set you free from every charge.
Set you free from every charge.

Sing, though sense and worldly reason tries to stop the joyful song;
Sing and count it highest treason for a saint to hold his tongue.
Sing ye loud, whose holy calling your election plainly shows;
Sing, nor fear a final falling, Jesus' love no changes knows.
Jesus' love no changes knows.

Sing, ye saints, admire and wonder, Jesus' matchless love adore;
Sing for Sinai's awful thunder shall upon you burst no more.
Sing, for you shall heav'n inherit, sing, and ne'er the song have done;
Sing to Father, Son, and Spirit, One in Three and Three in One.
One in Three and Three in One.

O Father, you are sovereign in all the worlds you made;
Your mighty word was spoken and light and life obeyed.
Your voice commands the seasons and bounds the ocean's shore,
Sets stars within their courses and stills the tempest's roar.

O Father, you are sovereign in all affairs of man;
No pow'rs of death or darkness can thwart your perfect plan.
All chance and change transcending, supreme in time and space,
You hold your trusting children secure in your embrace.

O Father, you are sovereign, the Lord of human pain,
Transmuting earthly sorrows to gold of heav'nly gain.
All evil over-ruling, as none but Conqu'ror could,
Your love pursues its purpose—our souls' eternal good.

O Father, you are sovereign! We see you dimly now,
But soon before your triumph earth's ev'ry knee shall bow.
With this glad hope before us our faith springs up anew:
Our sovereign Lord and Savior, we trust and worship you!

Come now, you who say, “Today or tomorrow we will go into such and such a town and spend a year there and trade and make a profit”—¹⁴ yet you do not know what tomorrow will bring. What is your life? For you are a mist that appears for a little time and then vanishes.¹⁵ Instead you ought to say, “If the Lord wills, we will live and do this or that.”¹⁶ As it is, you boast in your arrogance. All such boasting is evil.¹⁷ So whoever knows the right thing to do and fails to do it, for him it is sin.

Come now, you rich, weep and howl for the miseries that are coming upon you.² Your riches have rotted and your garments are moth-eaten.³ Your gold and silver have corroded, and their corrosion will be evidence against you and will eat your flesh like fire. You have laid up treasure in the last days.⁴ Behold, the wages of the laborers who mowed your fields, which you kept back by fraud, are crying out against you, and the cries of the harvesters have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts.⁵ You have lived on the earth in luxury and in self-indulgence. You have fattened your hearts in a day of slaughter.⁶ You have condemned and murdered the righteous person. He does not resist you.

Profession of Faith

Westminster Confession of Faith

Chapter 5.1

Of Providence

God the great Creator of all things does uphold, direct, dispose, and govern all creatures, actions, and things, from the greatest even to the least, by his most wise and holy providence, **according to his infallible foreknowledge, and the free and immutable counsel of his own will, to the praise of the glory of his wisdom, power, justice, goodness, and mercy.**

Song of Confession

Breathe on Me, Breath of God

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Breathe on me, Breath of God, fill me with life anew,
That I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, until my heart is pure,
Until my will is one with thine, to do and to endure.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, till I am wholly thine,
Until this earthly part of me glows with thy fire divine.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, so shall I never die,
But live with thee the perfect life of thine eternity.

Pastoral Prayer of Confession

*Assurance of Pardon

Ephesians 1:13-14

In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, ¹⁴ who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of his glory.

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

*Song of Rejoicing

All Praise to Him, the God of Light

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All praise to him, the God of light, who formed the mountains by his might.
All praise to him who names the stars, that sing his fame in skies afar.
All praise to him who reigns in love, who guides the galaxies above,
Yet bends to hear our ev'ry prayer with sov'reign pow'r and tender care.

All praise to him whose love is seen in Christ the Son, the Servant King,
Who left behind his glorious throne to pay the ransom for his own.
All praise to him who humbly came to bear our sorrow, sin, and shame,
Who lived to die, who died to rise, the all-sufficient sacrifice.

All praise to him whose pow'r imparts the love of God within our hearts.
The Spirit of all truth and peace, the fount of joy and holiness.
To Father, Son, and Spirit now our souls we lift, our wills we bow.
To you, the Triune God, we raise with loving hearts our song of praise.

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Sermon

Gospel Growth
II Peter 1:1-15

Pastor Rob Herron

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun does its successive journeys run;
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore, 'til suns shall rise and set no more.

Blessings abound where'er he reigns; the pris'ner leaps to lose his chains.
The weary find eternal rest, and all the sons of want are blessed.

To our King be highest praise, rising through eternal days!
Just and faithful, he shall reign; Jesus shall reign!

People and realms of ev'ry tongue dwell on his love with sweetest song,
And infant voices shall proclaim their early blessings on his name. (Chorus)

Let ev'ry creature rise and bring blessing and honor to our King.
Angels descend with songs again, and earth repeat the loud amen! (Chorus)

*Benediction

from II Peter 3:17-18

You therefore, beloved, take care that you are not carried away
with the error of lawless people and lose your own stability.
But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.
To him be the glory both now and to the day of eternity. Amen.

Sermon Notes:

Sing Ye Saints

John Ryland

Gregory Wilbur



1. Sing, ye saints, ad - mire and won - der, Je - sus'
2. Sing, though sense and world - ly rea - son tries to
3. Sing, ye saints, ad - mire and won - der, Je - sus'
match - less love a - dore; sing for Si - nai's aw - ful
stop the joy - ful song; sing and count it high - est
match - less love a - dore; sing for Si - nai's aw - ful
thun - der shall up - on you burst no more. Sing, in
trea - son for a saint to hold his tongue. Sing ye
thun - der shall up - on you burst no more. Sing, for
spite of Sa - tan's ly - ing; sing, though
loud, whose ho - ly call - ing your e -
you shall heav'n in - her - it, sing, and
sins are black and large; sing, for Je - sus, by his
lec - tion plain - ly shows; sing, nor fear a fi - nal
ne'er the song have done; sing to Fa - ther, Son, and
dy - ing, set you free from e - v'ry
fall - ing, Je - sus' love no chang - es
Spir - it, One in Three and Three in
charge. Set you free from e - v'ry charge.
knows. Je - sus' love no chang - es knows.
One. One in Three and Three in One.

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All Praise to Him, the God of Light

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moun - tains by his might. All praise to him who names the
Son, the Ser - vant King, who left behind his glo - rious
God with - in our hearts. The Spi - rit of all truth and

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stars, that sing his fame in skies a - far. All praise to
throne to pay the ran - som for his own. All praise to
peace, the fount of joy and ho - li - ness. To Fa - ther,

10
him who reigns in love, who guides the gal - ax - ies a -
him who hum - bly came to bear our sor - row, sin, and
Son, and Spir - it now our souls we lift our wills we

13
bove, yet bends to hear our e - v'ry
shame, who lived to die, who died to
bow. To you, the Tri - une God, we

15
prayer, with sov - reign pow'r and ten - der care.
rise, the all suf - fi - cient sac - ri - fice.
raise with lov - ing hearts our song of praise.

D.S. al Fine

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Jesus Shall Reign

Psalm 72

1. Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun
2. Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er he reigns;
3. Peo - ple and realms of e - v'ry tongue
4. Let e - v'ry crea - ture rise and bring
3 does it suc - cess - ive jour - neys run;
the pris' - ner leaps to lose his chains.
dwell on his love with sweet - est song,
5 bless - ing and ho - nor to our King.
his king - dom stretch from shore to shore,
The wea - ry find e - ter - nal rest,
and in - fant voi - ces shall pro - claim
An - gels de - scend with songs a - gain,
7 'til 1. suns shall rise and set no more. 2.3.
and all the sons of want are blessed.
their ear - ly bless - ings on his name.
10 and earth re - peat the loud a - men!
To our King be high - est praise,
12 ris - ing through e ter - nal days! Just and faith - ful,
15 he shall reign; Je - sus shall reign!

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News and Announcements

Today is the last day to sign up for the Fellowship Lunch next Sunday. If you are planning to attend, please sign up on the sheets in the hall so we can get an accurate count.

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 41, June 8

What is the seventh commandment?

You shall not commit adultery.

Week 42, June 15

What is the eighth commandment?

You shall not steal.

Hymn of the Month—copies are on the back table

My Hope is Built on Nothing Less

Schedule

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

10:45 a.m.
9:30 a.m.
6:00 p.m. On Break
2:00 p.m. On Break
9:00 a.m.
Monthly
9:30 a.m. On Break

Giving

General Fund

2025 week 6/8	\$ 3,790
Giving YTD	\$ 328,220
YTD Budget	\$ 218,283

Deacon's Fund

2025 YTD Giving	\$ 7,295
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
Jud & Jan Lamos, MTW Ghent

North America & Local

Plateau Pregnancy Services
Good Samaritans, 10th Street
RUF Tennessee Tech, Ryan Angel
Rural Church Development, Corey Pelton
Myers Park Initiative, Greg Salazar
Christ Church Presbyterian, John Blevins
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
John Reed '26
Mike Tuuk '27

Staff

Music/Sound Director	Matt Bundy
Finance/Admin	Holly Kisly
Calvin Fellow	Noah Aikens

Security Team

Today	Aubrey Lewis
Next Week	Michael McCrabb

Ministry Support

Treasurer	Bill Allbright
Newsletter	Darlene Gendjar
Library	Kathy Pipkin

Greeters

Today	Holly Kisly
Next Week	Ray & Carol Sprik

Nursery

Today	Isabelle Aikens Amber Pacana
Next Week	Reba Norris Laura Powell