

First Presbyterian Church

Established 1988 PCA

July 6, 2025

(931) 484-4644

www.firstprescrossville.org

office@firstprescrossville.org



Departure of the Israelites from Egypt by David Roberts 1830

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

Welcome!

We are so glad you are here today to worship the Triune God with us. Our prayer is that we will delight to:

Glorify God in all things
Trust Him for all things
Proclaim Him as King over all things
So that we might love God and Others through all things

Our worship begins with God calling us into worship from His Word. We respond in Adoration and praise.

We then hear our God speak to us in His Word, profess our faith in Him, confessing our sins to Him, and hearing His assurance of our pardon by the work of Christ.

This leads to a response of rejoicing as we prepare to hear the Word of God preached. Our church practices expository preaching. This means that the Bible determines the content of the messages. The messages “come out of” the text. Ordinarily, we preach through books of the Bible. Currently, we are working our way through Exodus.

In the book of Exodus we see the invisible hand of God leading God’s people out of their sin and slavery into the promised land where they can worship Him according to the instructions He gives. We are always looking for how these stories and instructions point us to Christ and the gospel empowered way to live.

Our Elders have been praying for you. May you encounter God today through His Word and by the presence of His Spirit.

Warmly,
Pastor Andy

Order of Worship

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 Lord of Grace, the world is before me this day, and I am weak and fearful, but I look to you for strength; if I venture forth alone I stumble and fall, but on the beloved's arms I am firm as the eternal hills; if left to the treachery of my heart I shall shame your name, but if enlightened, guided, upheld by your Spirit, I shall bring you glory. Be my arm to support, my strength to stand, my light to see, my feet to run, my shield to protect, my sword to repel, my sun to warm.

Call to Worship

Psalm 104:24-35

O Lord, how manifold are your works!

In wisdom have you made them all;
the earth is full of your creatures.

²⁵ Here is the sea, great and wide,
which teems with creatures innumerable,
living things both small and great.

²⁶ There go the ships,
and Leviathan, which you formed to play in it.

²⁷ These all look to you,
to give them their food in due season.

²⁸ When you give it to them, they gather it up;
when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.

²⁹ When you hide your face, they are dismayed;
when you take away their breath, they die
and return to their dust.

³⁰ When you send forth your Spirit, they are created,
and you renew the face of the ground.

³¹ May the glory of the Lord endure forever;
may the Lord rejoice in his works,

³² who looks on the earth and it trembles,
who touches the mountains and they smoke!

³³ I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;
I will sing praise to my God while I have being.

³⁴ May my meditation be pleasing to him,
for I rejoice in the Lord.

³⁵ Let sinners be consumed from the earth,
and let the wicked be no more!

Bless the Lord, O my soul!
Praise the Lord!

Prayer of Adoration

Hymn of Praise—God, All Nature Sings Thy Glory



1. God all na - ture sings thy glo - ry, and thy works pro - claim thy might;
2. Clear - er still we see thy hand in man whom thou hast made for thee;
3. But our sins have spoiled thine i - mage; na - ture con - science on - ly serve
4. God of glo - ry, po - wer, mer - cy, all cre - a - tion prais - es thee;



or - dered vast - ness in the heav - ens or - dered course of day and night;
ru - ler of cre - a - tion's glo - ry, i - mage of thy ma - jes - ty.
as un - ceas - ing, grim re - min - ders of the wrath which we de - serve.
we, thy crea - tures, would a - dore thee now and through e - ter - ni - ty.



beau - ty in the chang - ing sea - sons, beau - ty in the storm - ing seas;
Mu - sic art, the fruit - ful gar - den, all the la - bor of his days,
Yet thy grace and sav - ing mer - cy in thy Word of truth re - vealed
Saved to mag - ni - fy thy good - ness, grant us strength to do thy will;



all the chang - ing moods of na - ture praise the change - less Trin - i - ty.
are the call - ing of his Ma - ker to the har - vest feast of praise.
claim the praise of all who know thee, in the blood of Je - sus sealed.
with our acts as with our voic - es thy com - mand - ments to ful - fill.

Hymn of Praise—The King of Love My Shepherd Is

The King of love my Shep - herd is, whose
Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, my
Per - verse and fool - ish, oft I stray, but
In death's dark vale I fear no ill, with
And so through all the length of days, thy

good - ness fail - eth ne - ver; I
ran - somed soul he lead - eth; and
yet in love he sought me; and
thee, dear Lord, be - side me; thy
good - ness fail - eth nev - er; good

noth - ing lack if I am his, and
where the ver - dant pas - tures grow, with
on his shoul - der gent - ly laid, and
rod and staff my com - fort still, thy
Shep - herd, may I sing thy praise with

he is mine for - ev - er.
food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
home re - joic - ing brought me.
cross be - fore to guide me.
in thy house for - ev - er.

Scripture Reading—Matthew 2:13-18

¹³ Now when they had departed, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, “Rise, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you, for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him.”¹⁴ And he rose and took the child and his mother by night and departed to Egypt ¹⁵ and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet, “Out of Egypt I called my son.”

¹⁶ Then Herod, when he saw that he had been tricked by the wise men, became furious, and he sent and killed all the male children in Bethlehem and in all that region who were two years old or under, according to the time that he had ascertained from the wise men. ¹⁷ Then was fulfilled what was spoken by the prophet Jeremiah:

¹⁸ “A voice was heard in Ramah,
weeping and loud lamentation,
Rachel weeping for her children;
she refused to be comforted, because they are no more.”

Profession of Faith—Heidelberg Catechism Q#1

Q. What is your only comfort in life and in death?

A. **That I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ.**

He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil.

He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.

Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

Song of Confession—There is a Redeemer

1. There is a Re - deem - er, Je - sus, God's own Son, _____
2. Je - sus, my Re - deem - er, name a - bove all names, _____
3. When I stand in Glo - ry, I will see his face, _____

5
Pre - cious Lamb of God, Mes - si - ah, Ho - - ly One.
Pre - cious Lamb of God, Mes - si - ah, O, _____ for sin - ners slain.
there I'll serve my king for - e - ver, in _____ that ho - ly place.

9
Thank you, O my Fa - ther, for giving us your Son; and

13
leav - ing your Spi - rit 'til the work on Earth is done.

The musical score is written on a single staff in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The score is divided into four systems, with measure numbers 1, 5, 9, and 13 indicated at the beginning of each system. The first system contains three lines of lyrics. The second system contains two lines of lyrics. The third system contains one line of lyrics. The fourth system contains one line of lyrics. The score ends with a double bar line and repeat dots.

Congregational Confession of Sin

Let us make confession to God the Lord and let each acknowledge with me his sin and transgression.

Almighty, everlasting God and Father, we confess and acknowledge to you that we were conceived in unrighteousness, and are full of sin and transgression in all our life, as those who do not perfectly believe your word nor follow your holy commandments. We implore you, remember your goodness and for your name's sake be gracious to us and forgive us our wrongdoing, which indeed is great.

Silent Confession

Pastoral Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon—Titus 3:4-7

But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, ⁵ he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, ⁶ whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, ⁷ so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

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

Hymn of Rejoicing—What Wondrous Love is This



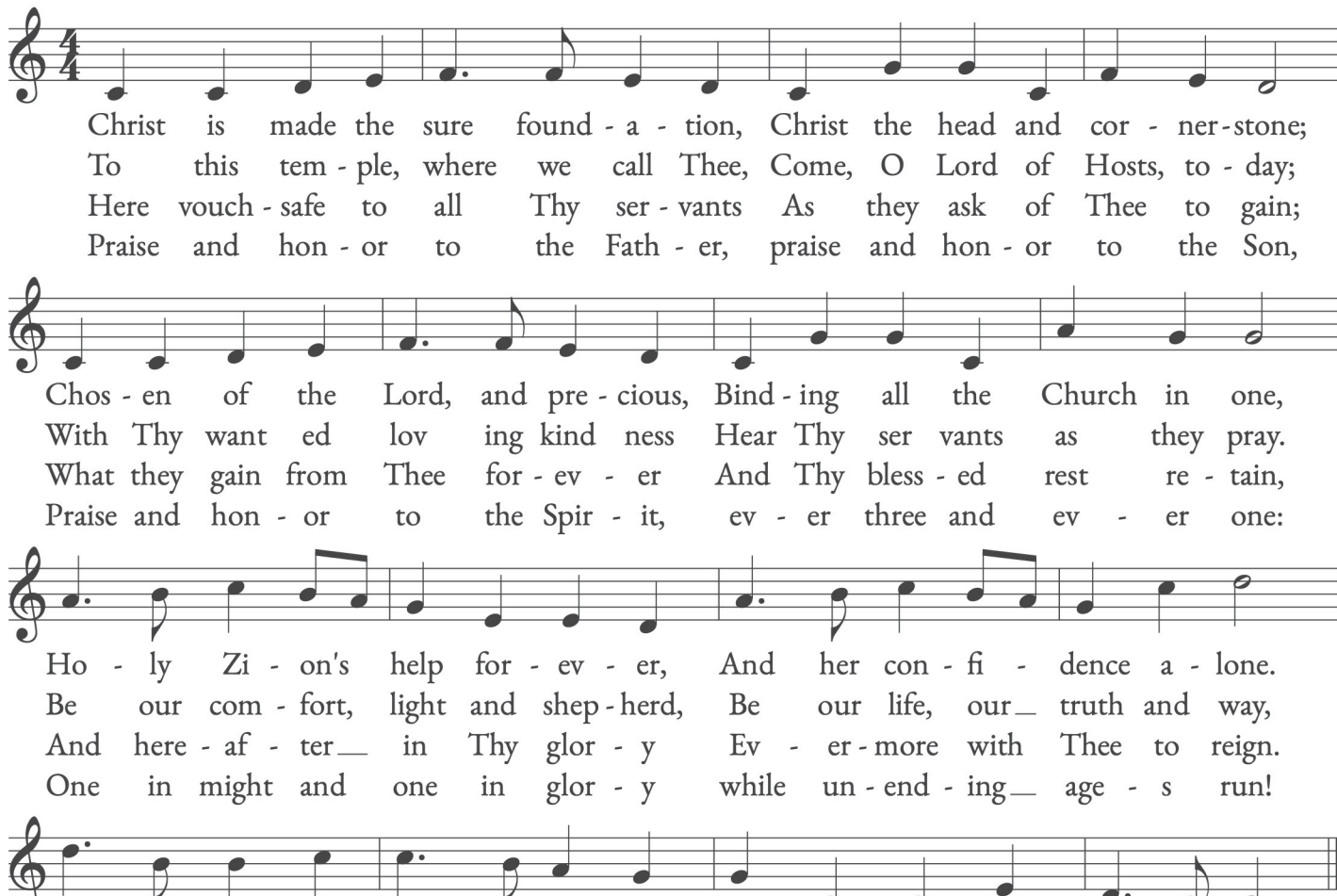
1. What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What
2. To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing; to
3. And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on, and

6
won - drous love is this, O my soul! What
God and to the Lamb, I will sing; to
when from death I'm free, I'll sing on; and

10
won-drous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss to
God and to the Lamb, who is the great I AM, while
when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joy - ful be, and

14
bear the dread - ful curse for my soul, for my soul, to
mil - lions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing, while
through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on, I'll sing on, and

18
bear the dread - ful curse for my soul!
mil - lions join the theme, I will sing!
through e - ter - ni - ty, I'll sing on!

Song of Response—Christ is Made the Sure Foundation

Christ is made the sure found - a - tion, Christ the head and cor - ner-stone;
To this tem - ple, where we call Thee, Come, O Lord of Hosts, to - day;
Here vouch - safe to all Thy ser - vants As they ask of Thee to gain;
Praise and hon - or to the Fath - er, praise and hon - or to the Son,

Chos - en of the Lord, and pre - cious, Bind - ing all the Church in one,
With Thy want ed lov ing kind ness Hear Thy ser vants as they pray.
What they gain from Thee for - ev - er And Thy bless - ed rest re - tain,
Praise and hon - or to the Spir - it, ev - er three and ev - er one:

Ho - ly Zi - on's help for - ev - er, And her con - fi - dence a - lone.
Be our com - fort, light and shep - herd, Be our life, our truth and way,
And here - af - ter in Thy glor - y Ev - er - more with Thee to reign.
One in might and one in glor - y while un - end - ing age - s run!

He the bod y brok - en for us, raised from death to make us one.
And Thy full - est be - ne - dic - tion Shed with - in these walls al - ways.
Our sal - va - tion poured out on us Once for all for - ev - er more.
One in might and one in glor - y while un - end - ing age - s run!

Serving of the Lord's Supper

The Lord's Supper is the family meal for Christians. We invite all baptized Christians who are members of a congregation that proclaims the gospel, and who are at peace with God and with their neighbor, and who seek strength to live more faithfully for Christ, to come forward to the table.

If you are not a Christian, or if you are not prepared to share in this meal, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer. You may use the lyrics of the hymns as well as the Scriptures to guide your praying.

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow!
Praise him all creatures here below!
Praise him above ye heavenly hosts!
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!
Amen.

Benediction—From Psalm 90:13-17

Because of the Lord's great compassion, may you be satisfied with his unfailing love
and sing for joy in all your days, even days with great trouble.
May you remember the great deeds of the Lord, and may his favor rest upon you,
establishing the work of your hands as you labor for the splendor of his name. Amen.

News and Announcements

The next New Members Class will begin on Sunday, July 13, 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. and end on Sunday, August 3. The class will meet in the Fellowship Hall. Please contact Pastor Andy for more information.

Starting July 17, the women in the church are invited to meet for prayer and fellowship every 3rd Thursday of the month at 10:00 a.m. in Pastor Andy's former office in the church building. Contact April Marion for additional information.

The Men's Breakfast will be on Saturday, July 26, at 8 a.m. A sign up sheet is in the hallway. If you can assist in the kitchen, contact Tim Grimes

A children's library with other resources for parents is being established and organized over the summer months. If you have good books for children in very good/excellent condition or have curricula from homeschooling days that you would like to share, please speak with Kathy Pipkin or Hope Aikens.

We're looking for volunteers to work in the tech booth for Sunday morning. The work requires a minimum of 2 people. As we only have 3 volunteers currently, we would like to be able to give them more time in worship. If you are willing to serve in this capacity, please reach out to Matt Bundy at matt@firstprescrossville.org or (918)207-9986.

First Catechism (for children of all ages)

Weeks 1-5 God
Weeks 6-12 Creation
Weeks 13-19 Fall/Sin
Weeks 20-28 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 44, June 29

What is prayer?

Prayer is praising God, giving thanks for all his blessings, and asking him for the things he has promised in the Bible.

Hymn of the Month—copies are on the back table
Christ is Mine Forevermore

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 6/29	\$ 1,570
Giving YTD	\$ 339,040
YTD Budget	\$ 246,755

Deacon's Fund

2025 YTD Giving	\$ 7,345
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	Tim Grimes
Next Week	Richard Perks

Ministry Support

Treasurer	Bill Allbright
Newsletter	Darlene Gendjar
Library	Kathy Pipkin

Greeters

Today	Bob & Donna Kalb
Next Week	Sherry Hewit

Nursery

Today	Annalise Aikens Hope Aikens
Next Week	Lynn Miser Brianna Sears