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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

Heavenly Father, save me entirely from sin. I know I am righteous through the righteousness of another, but I pant and pine for likeness to you. I am your child and should bear your image; enable me to recognize my death unto sin; when it tempts me, may I be deaf unto its voice. Deliver me from the invasion as well as the dominion of sin. Grant me to walk as Christ walked, to live in the newness of his life, the life of love, the life of faith, the life of holiness.

Valley of Vision

Call to Worship

Psalm 107:1-9

- Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever!
- ²Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, whom he has redeemed from trouble
- ³ and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.
- ⁴ Some wandered in desert wastes, finding no way to a city to dwell in;
- ⁵ hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted within them.
- ⁶ Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress.
- ⁷ He led them by a straight way till they reached a city to dwell in.
- ⁸ Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love, for his wondrous works to the children of man!
- ⁹ For he satisfies the longing soul, and the hungry soul he fills with good things.

Hymn of Praise—As Pants the Deer



Prayer of Adoration

Hymn of Praise—Praise to the Lord the Almighty

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Scripture Reading—Matthew 1:18-25

Now the birth of Jesus Christ took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been betrothed to Joseph, before they came together she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. ¹⁹ And her husband Joseph, being a just man and unwilling to put her to shame, resolved to divorce her quietly. ²⁰ But as he considered these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary as your wife, for that which is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. ²¹ She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins." ²² All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet:

²³ "Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call his name Immanuel"

(which means, God with us).²⁴ When Joseph woke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him: he took his wife,²⁵ but knew her not until she had given birth to a son. And he called his name Jesus.

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—Come Ye Souls vs. 1



Pastoral Prayer of Confession

Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And do not lead us into temptation, But deliver us from the evil one. For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

From the NKJV

Assurance of Pardon—Colossians 1:13-14

He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴ in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

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



Hymn of Rejoicing—Come Ye Souls v2-4

Sermon

Song of Response—Christ Our Hope in Life and Death 1.What in life and death? Christ a-lone, Christ a is our hope 2.What truth can calm the troub-led soul? God is good, God is the grave, what shall we sing? "Christ, he lives; Christ, He 3.Un - to 5 What fi - dence? That our -lone. is our ly con on good. Where is his grace and good ness known? In our lives!" And what will wards heav bring? E - ver re en 8 be - long. Who holds souls him our days with - in his to Re - deem - er's blood. Who holds faith when fears our great a life with Him. There will last we rise the ing to meet 11 hand? What comes, from his com-mand? And what will a - part my trail? -rise? Who stands a - bove the Who sends the stor -Lord. Then sin and death will be des-troyed. will And we 14 of Christ, The which keep us to the end? love in we stand. that bring the shore, the of Christ? waves us nigh un - to rock feast in end - less joy when Christ is ours for e more. ver 18 4 le - lu - jah! Our hope springs O sing ha e - ter - nal; 0 23 Now sing ha le lu jah! and e ver we con-26life death. Christ hope -fess our in and

Benediction—Numbers 6:24-25

The Lord bless you and keep you; ²⁵ the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; ²⁶ the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

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 Classroom 1 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

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 46, July 13

What is the Lord's prayer?
Our Father in heaven,
Hallowed be Your name.
Your kingdom come.
Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And do not lead us into temptation,
But deliver us from the evil one.
For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen

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

Giving General Fund

General Fund	
2025 week 6/29	\$ 10,405
Giving YTD	\$ 349,445
YTD Budget	\$ 256,246

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

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

Staff

Music/Sound DirectorMatt BundyFinance/AdminHolly KislyCalvin FellowNoah Aikens

Ministry Support

Treasurer Newsletter Library Bill Allbright Darlene Gendjar Kathy Pipkin 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

Deacon's Fund

2025 YTD Giving	\$ 7,595
2024 Rollover	\$ 2,610
2025 Disbursements	\$ 2,142

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

Deacons

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

Security Team

Today Next Week Richard Parks Bill Allbright

Sherry Hewitt

Jim & Carol Sparks

Greeters

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Nursery

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Lynn Miser Brianna Sears Isabelle Aikens Amber Pacana