

First Presbyterian Church

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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, confess our sins to him, and hear 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 121:1-2

Where does our help come from?
Our help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth.

Preparation for Worship

O great God, may I observe again this day your goodness and faithfulness. You have saved from the penalty of sin, disarmed the sting of death, and trampled low the victory once claimed by the grave. Through Jesus, you hold my hope of life and resurrection. Help me offer worship due your great name!

-From *Every Moment Holy*, Vol. 2

Call to Worship

Psalm 29

Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings,
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
² Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;
worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.

³ The voice of the LORD is over the waters;
the God of glory thunders,
the LORD, over many waters.

⁴ The voice of the LORD is powerful;
the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.

⁵ The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars;
the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon.

⁶ He makes Lebanon to skip like a calf,
and Sirion like a young wild ox.

⁷ The voice of the LORD flashes forth flames of fire.

⁸ The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness;
the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

⁹ The voice of the LORD makes the deer give birth
and strips the forests bare,
and in his temple all cry, "Glory!"

¹⁰ The LORD sits enthroned over the flood;
the LORD sits enthroned as king forever.

¹¹ May the LORD give strength to his people!
May the LORD bless his people with peace!

Hymn of Praise — God, the Lord, a King Remaineth



1. God, the Lord, a King re-main-eth robed in his own glo-rious light;
2. In her e-ver-last-ing sta-tion earth is poised, to swerve no more:
3. Lord, the wa-ter-floods have lift-ed, o-cean floods have lift their roar;
4. With all tones of wa-ters blend-ing, glo-rious is the break-ing deep;
5. Lord, the words thy lips are tell-ing are the per-fect ve-ri-ty:



God hath robed him and he reign-eth he hath gird-ed— him with might.
thou hast laid thy throne's foun-da-tion from all time where thought can soar.
now they pause where they have drift-ed, now they burst up - on the shore.
glo-rious, beau-teous with-out end-ing, God who reigns on— heav'ns high steep.
of thine high e-ter-nal dwell-ing ho-li-ness shall in-mate be.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! God is King in depth and height.
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, thou art for - e - ver - more.
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! For the o - cean's sound-ing store.
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Songs of o - cean ne - ver sleep.
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Pure is all that lives with thee.

Prayer of Adoration

Hymn of Praise — I Greet Thee Who My Sure Redeemer Art



1. I greet thee, who my sure re deem - er art,
 2. Thou art the King of mer - cy and of grace,
 3. Thou art the Life, by which a - lone we live,
 4. Thou hast the true and per - fect gen - tle - ness,
 5. Our hope is in no o - ther save in thee;

my on - ly trust and Sa - vior of my heart,
 reign - ing om - ni - po - tent in e - v'ry place:
 and all our sub - stance and our strength re - ceive;
 no harsh - ness hast thou and no bit - ter - ness:
 our faith is built up - on thy pro - mise free;

who pain didst un - der - go for my poor sake;
 so come, O King, and our whole be - ing sway;
 O com - fort us in death's ap - proach - ing hour,
 make us to taste the sweet grace found in thee
 O grant to us such strong - er hope and sure

I pray thee, from our hearts all cares to take.
 shine on us with the light of thy pure day.
 strong - heart - ed then to face it by thy pow'r.
 and e - ver stay in thy sweet u - ni - ty.
 that we can bold - ly con - quer and en - dure.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah 59:15b-21

The LORD saw it, and it displeased him
that there was no justice.

¹⁶ He saw that there was no man,
and wondered that there was no one to intercede;
then his own arm brought him salvation,
and his righteousness upheld him.

¹⁷ He put on righteousness as a breastplate,
and a helmet of salvation on his head;
he put on garments of vengeance for clothing,
and wrapped himself in zeal as a cloak.

¹⁸ According to their deeds, so will he repay,
wrath to his adversaries, repayment to his enemies;
to the coastlands he will render repayment.

¹⁹ So they shall fear the name of the LORD from the west,
and his glory from the rising of the sun;
for he will come like a rushing stream,
which the wind of the LORD drives.

²⁰ “And a Redeemer will come to Zion,
to those in Jacob who turn from transgression,” declares the LORD.

²¹ “And as for me, this is my covenant with them,” says the LORD: “My Spirit that is upon you, and my words that I have put in your mouth, shall not depart out of your mouth, or out of the mouth of your offspring, or out of the mouth of your children's offspring,” says the LORD, “from this time forth and forevermore.”

Profession of Faith — Westminster Confession of Faith, 5.2, 5.3

Although in relation to the foreknowledge and decree of God, the first cause, all things come to pass immutably and infallibly, yet by the same providence he orders them to fall out, according to the nature of second causes, either necessarily, freely, or contingently.

God, in his ordinary providence, makes use of means, yet is free to work without, above, and against them, at his pleasure.

Song of Confession — Franklin Kyrie



Lord, have mer-cy. Lord, have mer-cy. Lord, have mer-cy, have mer-cy— Lord.

Christ, have mer-cy. Christ, have mer-cy. Christ, have mer-cy, have mer-cy, Lord.

Lord, have mer-cy. Lord, have mer-cy. Lord, have mer-cy, have mer-cy— Lord.

Pastoral Prayer of Confession

God of everlasting love,
we confess that we have been unfaithful
to our covenant with you and with one another.
We have worshiped other gods: money, power, greed, and convenience.

We have served our own self-interest
instead of serving only you and your people.
We have not loved our neighbor as you have commanded,
nor have we rightly loved ourselves.
**Forgive us, gracious God,
and bring us back into the fullness
of our covenant with you and one another.
Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon — Romans 8:1-4

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. ² For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. ³ For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, ⁴ in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

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

Hymn of Rejoicing — Sing Ye Saints

1. Sing, ye saints, ad - mire and won - der, Je - sus' match - less love a -
2. Sing, though sense and world - ly rea - son tries to stop the joy - ful
3. Sing, ye saints, ad - mire and won - der, Je - sus' match - less love a -

-dore; sing for Si - nai's aw - ful thun - der shall up - on you burst no
song; sing and count it high - est trea - son for a saint to hold his
-dore; sing for Si - nai's aw - ful thun - der shall up - on you burst no

more. Sing, in spite of Sa - tan's ly - ing; sing, though
tongue. Sing ye loud, whose ho - ly call - ing your e -
more. Sing, for you shall heav'n in - her - it, sing, and

sins are black and large; sing, for Je - sus, by his dy - ing, set you
-lec - tion plain - ly shows; sing, nor fear a fi - nal fall - ing, Je - sus'
ne'er the song have done; sing to Fa - ther, Son, and Spir - it, One in

free from e - v'ry charge, set you free from e - v'ry charge.
love no chang - es knows. Je - sus' love no chang - es knows.
Three and Three in One, One in Three and Three in One.

Song of Response – All Praise to Him

1. All praise to him, the God of light, who formed the
 2. All praise to him whose love is seen in Christ the
 3. All praise to him whose pow'r im-parts the love of

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

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,

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

-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

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prayer, with so-v'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.

Benediction – Numbers 6:24-26

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.

Song of Response – Gloria Patri

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the

Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it

was in the be - gin - ning, is now and e - ver shall be,

world with - out end. A - men, a - men.

News and Announcements

Let us love another, please silence your phone.

Operation Christmas Child supplies and information are available in the hallway. There are activity sheets for children so they can be involved in the project. You may bring items for boxes we will pack at church until November 9. Filled boxes are due November 16. Pray for the children who will receive boxes and hear the gospel message.

Mark your calendars for the last Fellowship Lunch of the year, November 16. Sign up sheets are in the hallway.

First Catechism

What is the gospel and its reward?

God, the righteous Creator, rescues sinful people from separation to himself through Jesus' sinless life, death, and resurrection. Repenting of our sins and believing in Jesus' work unites us to Jesus and transforms us to grow in ways pleasing to God. The eternal presence of God is our reward!

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 8 - October 26

In what condition did God make Adam and Eve?

He made them holy and happy..

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.
9:00 a.m.
Monthly
9:30 a.m.

Giving

General Fund

2025 week 10/19	\$ 5,432
Giving YTD	\$ 482,170
YTD Budget	\$ 398,604

Deacon's Fund

2025 YTD Giving	\$ 9,468
2024 Rollover	\$ 2,610
2025 Disbursements	\$ 2,092

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

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
Mercy Presbyterian, Rob Herron
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
School of Music Director	April Stewart
Finance/Admin	Holly Kisly

Security Team

Today	Bill Allbright
Next Week	Christian Ragle

Greeters

Today	Sherry Nichols
Next Week	Eston & Reba Norris

Ministry Support

Treasurer	Bill Allbright
Newsletter	Darlene Gendjar
Library	Kathy Pipkin
Children's Ministry	Hope Aikens

Nursery

Today	Nancy & Eden Tuuk
Next Week	Hope Aikens Keely Ragle