

# 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

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 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.

*The Valley of Vision*

### Call to Worship

Psalm 145:1-7

I will extol you, my God and King,  
and bless your name forever and ever.

<sup>2</sup> Every day I will bless you  
and praise your name forever and ever.

<sup>3</sup> Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised,  
and his greatness is unsearchable.

<sup>4</sup> One generation shall commend your works to another,  
and shall declare your mighty acts.

<sup>5</sup> On the glorious splendor of your majesty,  
and on your wondrous works, I will meditate.

<sup>6</sup> They shall speak of the might of your awesome deeds,  
and I will declare your greatness.

<sup>7</sup> They shall pour forth the fame of your abundant goodness  
and shall sing aloud of your righteousness.

## Hymn of Praise — God, My King, Thy Might Confessing



1. God, my King, thy might con-fess - ing, e - ver will I bless thy name; day by  
2. They shall talk of all thy glo - ry, on thy might and great-ness dwell, speak of  
3. Full of kind-ness and com-pas - sion, slow to an - ger, vast in love, God is



day thy throne ad - dress - ing, still will I thy praise pro-claim. Ho - nor  
thy great acts the sto - ry, and thy deeds of won - der tell. Nor shall  
good to all cre - a - tion; all his works his good-ness prove. All thy



great our God be - fit - eth; who his ma - jes - ty can reach? Age to  
fail from mem - 'ry's trea - sure works by love and mer - cy wrought: works of  
works, O Lord, shall bless thee; thee shall all thy saints a - dore. King su -



age his works trans - mit - teth; age to age his pow'r shall teach.  
love sur - pass - ing mea - sure, works of mer - cy pass - ing thought.  
-preme shall they con - fess thee, and pro - claim thy so - v'reign pow'r.

## Prayer of Adoration

## Hymn of Praise — This is My Father's World



1. This is my Fa - ther's world, and to my lis - t'ning ears, all  
2. This is my Fa - ther's world, the\_ birds their ca - rols raise, the  
3. This is my Fa - ther's world, O\_ let me ne'er for - get that



na - ture sings, and round me rings the mu - sic of the\_ spheres. This  
morn - ing light, the\_ li - ly white, de - clare their Ma - ker's praise. This  
though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is\_ the Ru - ler\_ yet. This



is my Fa - ther's world: I\_ rest me in the thought of  
is my Fa - ther's world: he\_ shines in all that's fair; in the  
is my Fa - ther's world: the\_ bat - tle is not done; Je -



rocks and trees, of\_ skies and seas, his hand the won - ders\_ wrought.  
rust - ling grass I\_ hear him pass, he speaks to me e - v'ry - where.  
-sus who died shall be sa - tis - fied, and earth and heav'n be\_ one.

## Scripture Reading — Selected Texts

### Psalm 78:4-7

We will not hide them from their children,  
but tell to the coming generation  
the glorious deeds of the LORD, and his might,  
and the wonders that he has done.  
<sup>5</sup> He established a testimony in Jacob  
and appointed a law in Israel,  
which he commanded our fathers  
to teach to their children,  
<sup>6</sup> that the next generation might know them,  
the children yet unborn,  
and arise and tell them to their children,  
<sup>7</sup> so that they should set their hope in God  
and not forget the works of God,  
but keep his commandments;

### Ephesians 4:31-5:2

Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. <sup>32</sup> Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.<sup>1</sup> Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. <sup>2</sup> And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

### Ephesians 6:1-4

Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. <sup>2</sup> “Honor your father and mother” (this is the first commandment with a promise), <sup>3</sup> “that it may go well with you and that you may live long in the land.” <sup>4</sup> Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.

## Profession of Faith — Heidelberg question 104

What is God’s will for you in the fifth commandment?

**That I honor, love, and be loyal to my father and mother and all those in authority over me; that I submit myself with proper obedience to all their good teaching and discipline; and also that I be patient with their failings—for through them God chooses to rule us.**

## Song of Confession — Hear My Words



1. Hear my words, O gra - cious Lord; to my thoughts, at - ten - tive be.
2. With the morn - ing light, O Lord, thou shalt hear— my voice a - rise,
3. Thou art ho - ly, O my God; thou de - light - est not in sin.
4. In— the full - ness of thy grace, to thy house I will re - pair;



Hear my cry, my King, my God; I— will make my prayer to thee.  
and ex - pec - tant I will bring pray - er as morn - ing sac - ri - fice.  
E - vil shall not dwell with thee, nor— the proud thy fa - vor win.  
bow - ing toward thy ho - ly place, lost— in love I wor - ship there.

## Prayer of Confession

Gracious Father,

Your holiness is our standard for living.  
But we are far from faithful to your call to be holy.

In positions of authority, we do not always rule justly,  
nor do we always love mercy or walk humbly with you.  
We are many times selfish, impatient, and angry  
and consequently mistreat those who we ought to protect, nurture, and love.  
We do not always point to Jesus and his perfect life, death, and resurrection.

As children, we do not always submit joyfully to those over us.  
We have not loved the good teaching and example set for us.  
We have not wanted the wisdom of our parents.  
We have loved our own way more than God's ways.

In your great mercy and kindness, forgive us.  
Cover us with the blood of Jesus and give us grace for new living.  
In Christ's name we ask for this love, Amen.

## Assurance of Pardon — Ephesians 2:4-5

But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us,<sup>5</sup> even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved.

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

### Song of Rejoicing – Across the Lands



1. You're the Word of God the Fa-ther from be-fore the world be-gan; e-v'ry  
2. Yet you left the gaze of an-gels, came to seek and save the lost, and ex-  
3. With a shout you rose vic-to-rious, wrest-ling vic-tory from the grave, and a-



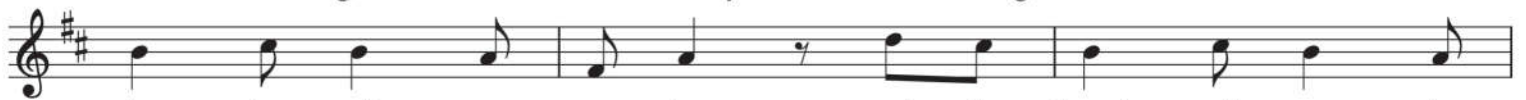
star and e - v'ry plan-et has been fash-ioned by your hand. All cre-  
changed the joy of Hea-ven for the an-guish of the cross. With a  
scend-ed in-to Hea-ven lead-ing cap-tives in your wake. Now you



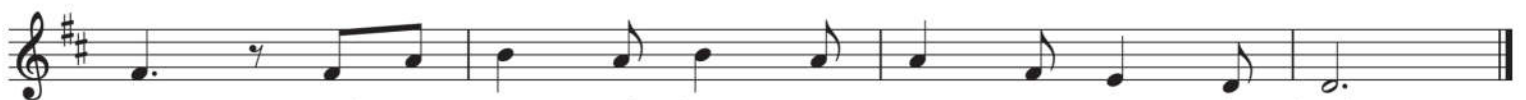
a-tion holds to-geth-er by the pow-er of your voice. Let the  
prayer you fed the hun-gry, with a word, you stilled the sea, yet how  
stand be-fore the Fa-ther, in-ter-ced-ing for your own; from each



skies de-clare your glo-ry, let the land and seas re-joice.  
si-lent-ly you suf-fered that the guil-ty may go free. You're the  
tribe and tongue and na-tion, you are lead-ing sin-ners home.



Au-thor of cre-a-tion, you're the Lord of e - v'ry



man, and your cry of love rings out a-cross the lands.

**Sermon**

**Honor Father and Mother**  
Exodus 20:12

Pastor Andy Aikens

**Sermon Notes:**

## Song of Response — Take My Life and Let It Be



1. Take my life, and let it be con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee.
2. Take my hands, and let them move at the im - pulse of thy love.
3. Take my voice, and let me sing, al - ways on - ly for my King.
4. Take my sil - ver and my gold; not a mite would I with - hold.
5. Take my will, and make it thine; it shall be no lon - ger mine.
6. Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its trea - sure - store.



Take my mo - ments and my days; let them flow in cease - less praise,  
 Take my feet, and let them be swift and beau - ti - ful for thee,  
 Take my lips, and let them be filled with mes - sa - ges from thee,  
 Take my in - tel - lect, and use e - v'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose,  
 Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy ro - yal throne,  
 Take my self, and I will be e - ver, on - ly, all for thee,



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## Benediction – Ephesians 3:20-21

Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly  
 than all that we ask or think,  
 according to the power at work within us,  
<sup>21</sup> to him be glory in the church  
 and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations,  
 forever and ever. Amen.

## News and Announcements

The next Octogenarian/Nonagenarian (ON) lunch is Wednesday, July 1, 1 p.m., at Willow Cafe & Catering. Reservations need to be made for attendance and the “world famous” loaded baked potato.

The YAH group will meet for lunch, Wednesday, July 1, noon, at Fifth Street Marketplace.

Families with preteens and teens are invited to a summer fellowship at the Mensonide's, Saturday, July 11 from 3 – 7 p.m. See the email invitation for more information.

Men, mark your calendar for the next breakfast, Saturday, July 18, at 8 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Pray for Pastor Peter Dietsch and his upcoming transfer exams before Presbytery on July 7.

### First Catechism

What is the gospel and its reward?

**God, the righteous Creator, rescues sinful people by reconciling them 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 43 - June 28

What is the ninth commandment?

**You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.**

## Schedule

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

## 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  
Koos & Bhless Hagg, MTW, Southeast Asia

## 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  
Eric Larson, RE '28  
Jim Sparks RE '26  
Richard Parks RE '27  
Forrest Marion RE, Clerk, '26

## Deacons

Dave Miser, Chair, '28  
John Reed '26  
Mike Tuuk '27  
Greg Wood '28

## Staff

Music/Sound Director	Matt Bundy
School of Music Director	April Stewart
Finance/Admin	Holly Kisly

## Security Team

Today	Tim Grimes
Next Week	Cole Mayhugh

## Ministry Support

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

## Greeters

Today	Aubrey & Charlotte Lewis
Next Week	Terri Fleck & Darlene Gendjar

## Nursery

Today	Brianna Ragle Piper Larson
Next Week	April Marion Robyn Mayhugh