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,

No day of my life has passed that has not proved me guilty in your sight. Prayers have been uttered from a prayerless heart; praise has been often praiseless sound; my best services filthy rags. Blessed Jesus, let me find a covert in your appeasing wounds. Though my sins rise to heaven your merits soar above them; thought unrighteousness weighs me down to hell, your righteousness exalts me to thy throne.

The Valley of Vision
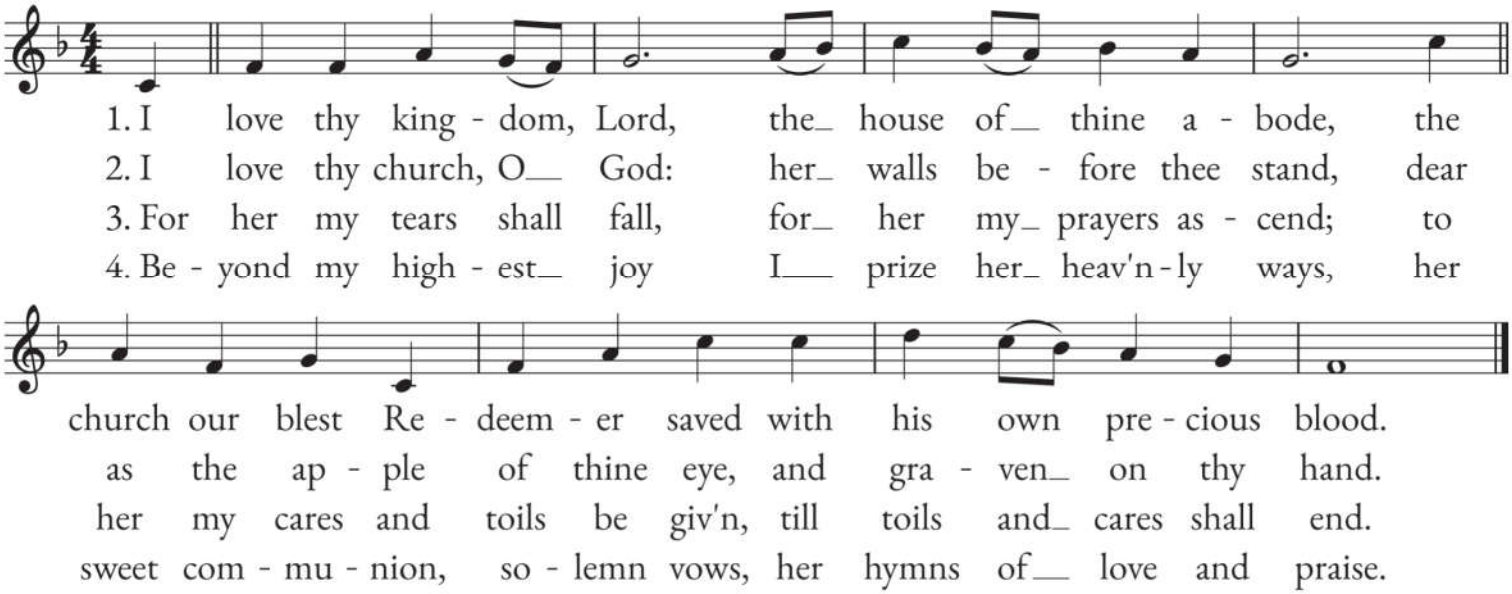
Call to Worship – Psalm 145

The LORD is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
9 The LORD is good to all,
and his mercy is over all that he has made.

10 All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD,
and all your saints shall bless you!
11 They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom
and tell of your power,
12 to make known to the children of man your mighty deeds,
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.
13 Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,
and your dominion endures throughout all generations.

[The LORD is faithful in all his words
and kind in all his works.]
14 The LORD upholds all who are falling
and raises up all who are bowed down.
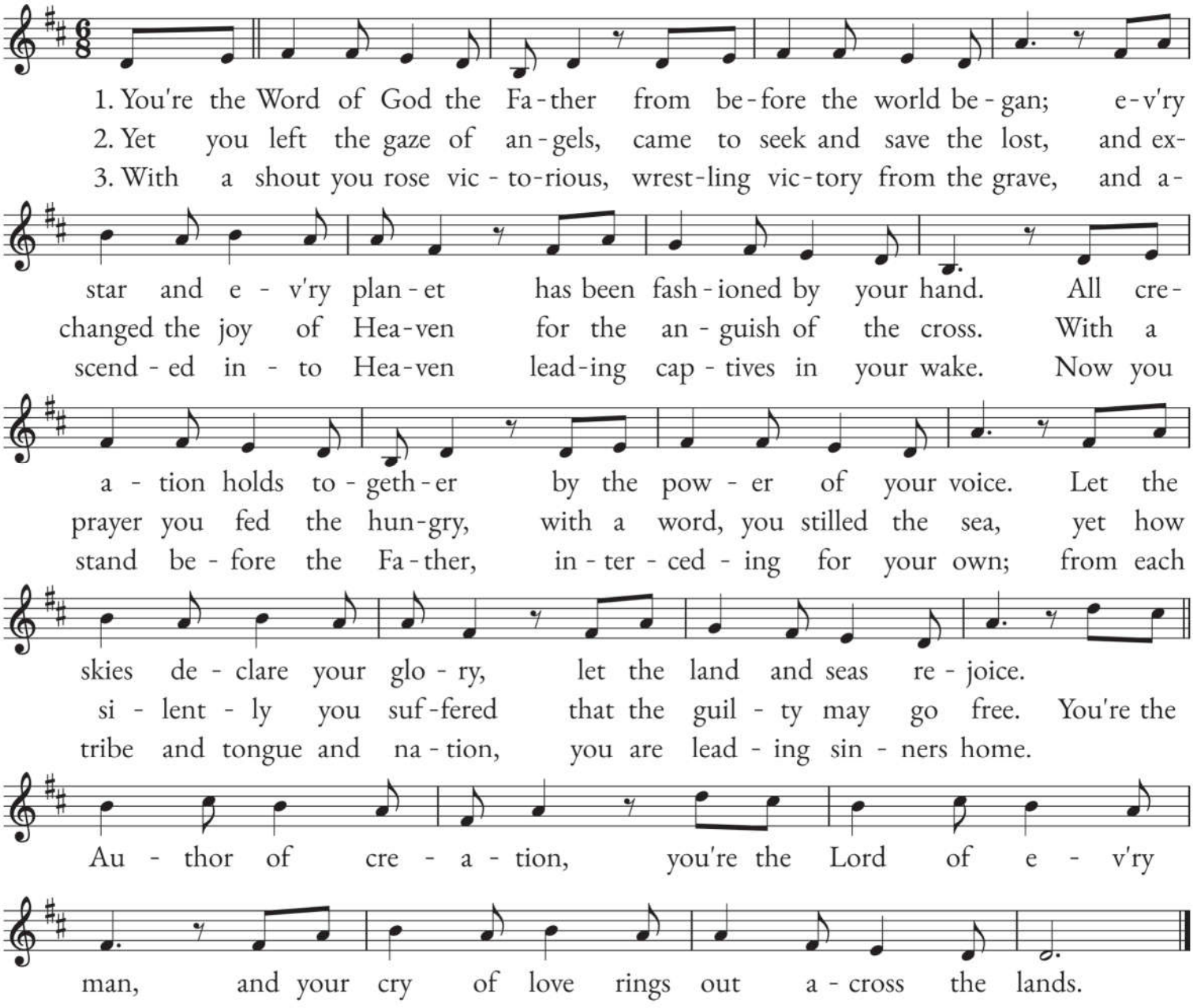
Hymn of Praise – I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord



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Prayer of Adoration

Hymn of Praise – Across the Lands



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Scripture Reading – Romans 5:12-21

Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned— [13] for sin indeed was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not counted where there is no law. [14] Yet death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sinning was not like the transgression of Adam, who was a type of the one who was to come.

[15] But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if many died through one man's trespass, much more have the grace of God and the free gift by the grace of that one man Jesus Christ abounded for many. [16] And the free gift is not like the result of that one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brought justification. [17] For if, because of one man's trespass, death reigned through that one man, much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ.

[18] Therefore, as one trespass led to condemnation for all men, so one act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all men. [19] For as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous. [20] Now the law came in to increase the trespass, but where sin increased, grace abounded all the more, [21] so that, as sin reigned in death, grace also might reign through righteousness leading to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Profession of Faith — Westminster Shorter Catechism Questions 16-18

Did all mankind fall in Adam's first transgression?
The covenant being made with Adam, not only for himself, but for his posterity; all mankind, descending from him by ordinary generation, sinned in him, and fell with him, in his first transgression.

Into what estate did the fall bring mankind?
The fall brought mankind into an estate of sin and misery.

Wherein consists the sinfulness of that estate whereinto man fell?
The sinfulness of that estate whereinto man fell consists in the guilt of Adam's first sin, the want of original righteousness, and the corruption of his whole nature, which is commonly called original sin; together with all actual transgressions which proceed from it.
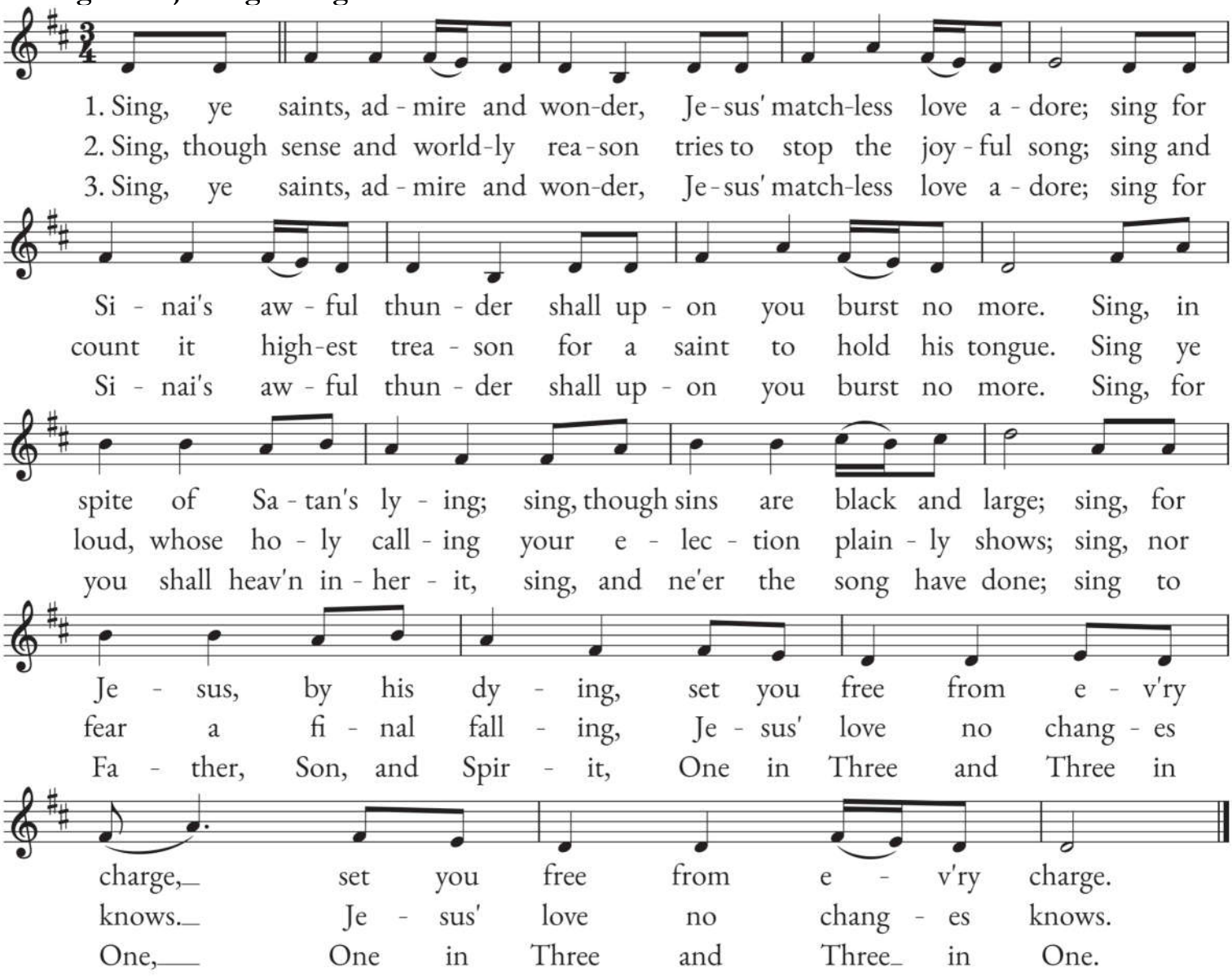
Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon – Romans 5:6-8

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. [7] For one will scarcely
die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die—
[8] but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us

Now, lift up your hearts to the Lord!
My heart I offer to you, O Lord; promptly and sincerely!

Song of Rejoicing – Sing Ye Saints



Text: John Ryland, 1775, alt. 2022; Music: ADMIRE AND WONDER, Gregory Wilbur, 2022; © Gregory Wilbur 2022; CCLI # 1850411

Sermon Notes:

1. An Intuitive View of Creation and the Fall (Genesis 3:24)

2. An Intuitive View of Redemption (Joshua 5:13-15)

3. An Intuitive View of Christ

   a. The Anchor within the Veil (Hebrews 6:17-20)

   b. The Veil of His Flesh (Hebrews 10:19-22)

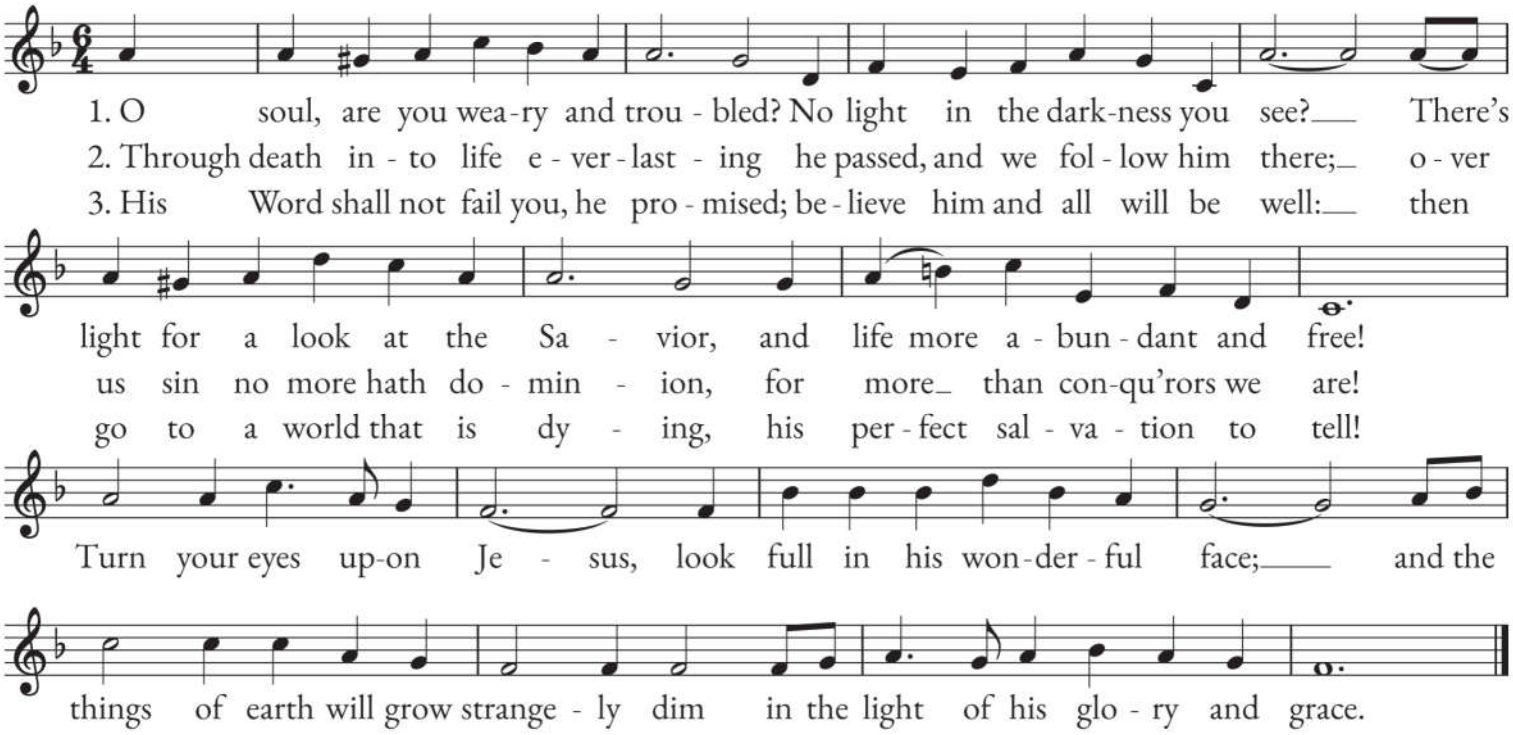
The Lord's Supper

The Lord's supper is the family meal for Christians. We invite all those who have placed their faith and trust in Christ alone for their salvation, are baptized, and are members in good standing of a Bible-believing, evangelical church to join us in partaking of this meal together today.

If you have not professed faith in Christ, not been baptized, and are not a member of a Bible-believing evangelical church, please do not partake of the meal today. Take this opportunity to pray and examine your relationship to both Christ our Savior and to His bride, the church. If you wish to learn more about how to become a part of the family of the redeemed, one of the pastors or elders would be happy to meet with you after the service.

The bread is gluten free; in the distribution of the cup, the outer ring contains grape juice, and the inner rings contain wine.

Song of Response – Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus



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Benediction – Hebrews 10:19-22

Therefore, brothers,
since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus,
[20] by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain,
that is, through his flesh,
[21] and since we have a great priest over the house of God,
[22] let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith,
with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience
and our bodies washed with pure water.

News and Announcements

Our Sunday Evening Worship Service is at 6 p.m. Join us for a series in Philippians.

The Octogenarian/Nonagenarian (ON) lunch is in the Fellowship Hall on Wednesday, November 4 at 1 p.m. The ON Group will be treated to a "delicious fish fry."

The YAH Group meets at Casa Grande in Fairfield Glade on Thursday, November 5, at 12 p.m.

Our next Fellowship Lunch is on November 8 following the worship service. Sign up sheets are on the hallway table.

The Fine Arts School of Music is offering two 16-week group classes starting January 6, 2027:

- Mini Music Makers for ages 4–5
- Little Strummers: Learning the Ukulele for ages 6–8

Both programs build a fun, engaging musical foundation through games, rhythm, and hands-on exploration. Registration deadline is December 1, 2026. For more information or to register, please contact April Stewart at 931-337-6662 or fineartsschoolofmusic@firstprescrossville.org

The New Members Class will be starting on November 1 at 9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The sign up sheet is on the hallway table. Please take a book for the class when you sign up.

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 10 - November 1

What else did God make?
God made all things.

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.
Women's Monday Theology Study	2:00 p.m.
Women's Tuesday Bible Study	9:30 a.m.
Women's Thursday Bible Study	6:00 p.m.
Men's Thursday Bible Study	9:00 a.m.
Men's Discipleship Wednesday	6:00 a.m.
Octogenarian/Nonagenarian (ON) Lunch	Monthly
Young at Heart (YAH) Lunch	Monthly
Women in God's Service (WinGS)	Quarterly

Giving

General Fund

2026 YTD Giving	$ 469,038
2026 Budget	$ 534,802

Deacon Fund

2026 YTD Giving	$ 6,494
2026 Budget	$ 9,000
2026 Disbursements	$ 1,800

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
Peter Dietsch TE, Associate 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

Ministry Support

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

Security Team

Today	Gary Thompson
Next Week	Bob Kalb

Greeters

Today	Orville & Audrey Ennis
Next Week	Mike & Nancy Tuuk

Nursery

Today	Hope Aikens Sandy Reed
Next Week	Jenae Larson Isabelle Powell