

The Gathering

Silent Meditation

Prelude *All Glory Be to God On High* Walther

Words of Welcome

Introit

* Call to Worship *(Psalms 130)*

Leader: Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord. Lord, hear my voice!

People: Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!

Leader: If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand?

**People: But there is forgiveness with you,
so that you may be revered.**

Leader: I wait for the Lord, my soul waits,
and in his word I hope;

**People: My soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the
morning,
more than those who watch for the morning.**

Leader: O Israel, hope in the Lord!
For with the Lord there is steadfast love,
and with him is great power to redeem.

People: It is he who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities.

* Hymn 457

I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art TOULON

* Prayer of Confession (unison)

Righteous and merciful God: we know that the wages of sin is death, and we acknowledge that we are sinners; we have chosen death, rather than life.

Look upon us in mercy, and forgive us. Reach out to us in our despair, redeem us from our sentence of death, and release us from our dungeon of sin, through the life, death, and resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Empower us by your Spirit to live according to your holy will, always bearing witness to your goodness and grace that in us and through us your boundless compassion and reconciling love would be proclaimed with power, to the praise of your glorious grace. Amen.

* Declaration of Pardon

* Gloria Patri Hymn 579

* The Peace

Leader: The Peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

The Word of God

First Lesson

2 Samuel 18: 5-9, 15, 31-33

Second Lesson

Ephesians 4: 25-5:2

One: The Word of the Lord

All: **Thanks be to God!**

Solo

Deep River

Hogan

Children's Message

* Gospel Lesson

John 6: 35, 41-51

One: The Word of the Lord

All: **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon

“Close the Loopholes”

Dr. Cheetham

Response of the People

* The Nicene Creed

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We believe in one God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible;

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father by whom all things were made; who for us men, and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnated by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary, and was made man, and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead, whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And we believe one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

* Hymn 260

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

EIN'FESTE BURG

* Offertory Prayer

Offertory

Andantino

Franck

* Doxology

Hymn 592

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Sending Forth

* Hymn 281

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

RHONDDA

* Charge and Benediction

* Choral Response

Postlude

Sortie

Franck

Lay Reader:

Pat Bone

Pastor on Vacation: Dr. Cheetham will be on vacation August 15-21. If you are in need of a pastor, please contact the church office at 444-1360.

This Week at First Presbyterian Church

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| Today | 8:45 am | Contemporary Service |
| | 9:45 am | Church School |
| | 11:00 am | Traditional Service |
| | 6:30 pm | Session Meeting |
| Monday | 6:00 pm | Southern Starrs |
| Tuesday | 9:00 am | Preschool |
| Wednesday | No Bell Choir or Choir Practice | |
| Thursday | 9:00 am | Preschool |
| | 6:30 pm | Contemporary Practice |

Last Sunday's Record

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| Contemporary Service | 51 | Offering | \$ 5,308.50 |
| Sunday School | 49 | Weekly Need | 5,354.00 |
| Sanctuary Service | 86 | Through July | 127,780.50 |
| Cedar Forest | 11 | | |

The **LEAD** Event will be held Saturday, August 26th from 8:00 – 2:30 at First Presbyterian Church, Nashville. This workshop is a leader enrichment and development event for teachers of children, youth, and adults.

New Class: We are starting a new adult Sunday School class using “Seasons of the Spirit” – a lectionary based curriculum that encourages connections between faith and everyday life, calling us into the ecumenical, global, and inclusive heart of the church. This class will begin September 3rd. Contact Deborah Sanders if you are interested in attending this class or being one of the leaders.

Wendell Kopp Memorial Blood Drive

First Presbyterian Church

Monday, August 28, 12-5:00 p.m.

Our church will host the 2nd Annual Blood Drive in honor of Wendell Kopp. Wendell was a long time blood donor and he knew the importance of helping the Red Cross. Please make plans to participate in this event and help this worthy cause.

Prayer Concerns

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| Hazel Williams | Pam Anderson | Marcia Williams |
| Claudine Prowell | Don Denney | Isa Carroll |
| Etta Hammer | Peggy Williams | Susan Bowman |
| Thayer & Alice Smith | Betty Eshelman | John Freeman |
| Mary Helen Averitt | Maclynn Crawford | Leon McLean |
| Sara Thompson | Debbie York | Kathy Kraus |
| Sherry Arnold | Aubrey Roney | Julie Pepper |
| Marjorie Nabbe | Sheleah Jensen | Barbara Mullins |
| Stan Williams | John Angles | Valerie Eblin |
| Joseph Clemons | Julie Stephens | Malcolm Sloan |
| Jerry Gray | Shirley Walfus | Dana Stroop |
| Martha Anderson | Debbie Brinner | Johnnie Keel |
| Jeremy Stubblefield | Jim Robbins | Jan Hyder |
| Jerry Pentecost | Donna Goliher | George Donnell |
| Carol Roberts | Charles Cowden Sr. | Mary Keiph |
| Joe Thompson | Sean Barber | Pat Lea |
| Ken & Delvinia Allen | Suhail Massad Family | Debbie Sharp |
| Charles Lambert | | |

Military

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| Kevin Alseys | Kyle Kaker | Randy Sandlin |
| Matthew Ash | Bayson Keyes | James Scott |
| Luke Baker | Mike Matthys | Jeff Scott |
| Blake Beckman | David Midgett | Jeremy Scott |
| Jaymon Bell | Jason Nolley | Jason Sellars |
| Michael O'Neil | Jason Redmon | Lee Smith |
| Matthew Humes | Malcolm Rios | Noah Evans |
| James (J.D.) Harrelson | Stewart Beaumont | |

The Church Session

Brenda Thaxton, Clerk of Session

2006

Joe Adams
Jimmie Crawford
Brenda Thaxton
Lois Ann Wauford

2007

Suanne Bone
Tom Halbert
David Howell
Hugo Sandoval

2008

Charles Bradshaw
Pat Climer
Ken Hawkins
Gwynn Lanius

The Board of Deacons

Lesley Jacobson, Moderator

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Lesley Jacobson
Karen Jump

Jennifer Breland
Faye Brown
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Alex Quarles

The Church Staff

Dr. John T. Cheetham, Pastor
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