

## The Gathering

Silent Meditation

Prelude

Words of Welcome

Introit

\* Call to Worship

*(Psalms 22)*

Leader: My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

**People: Why are you so far from my cry in the hour of my distress?**

Leader: Yet you are the Holy One in whom our ancestors put their trust.

**People: They cried out to you and were delivered; they trusted, and you delivered them.**

Leader: Be not far away, O Lord,  
for you are our strength.

**People: Your face is not hidden from the needy, but when we cry out, O Lord, you hear us.**

\* Hymn 473

*For the Beauty of the Earth*

DIX

\* Prayer of Confession (unison)

Eternal God, we confess that we have turned away from you. We have sought the cover of darkness, so our willful selfishness would go unexposed. Open our eyes, that we may see how we have fallen short of your calling; open our ears, that we may clearly hear your summons anew; pierce our hearts, that we might be opened fully to the work of your Spirit in and through us. Let it be so done unto us by your Word of healing grace and transforming power, given to us through Jesus Christ, our Lord. 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

Job 23: 1-9, 16-17

Second Lesson

Hebrews 4: 12-16

One: The Word of the Lord

**All: Thanks be to God!**

Anthem *Go Forth to Life, O Child of Earth* Thompson

Children's Message

\* Gospel Lesson

Mark 10: 17-31

One: The Word of the Lord

All: **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon “The Transforming Power of the Word of God” Dr. Cheetham

### **Response of the People**

\* Affirmation of Faith *from A Brief Statement of Faith*

In life and death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. We trust in God, whom Jesus called, Abba Father. We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life.

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives. With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

\* Hymn 404

*Precious Lord, Take My Hand*

PRECIOUS LORD

\* Offertory Prayer

Offertory

\* Doxology

Hymn 592

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

### **Sending Forth**

\* Hymn 341

*Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine*

ASSURANCE

\* Charge and Benediction

\* Choral Response

Postlude

Lay Reader: Suanne Bone

**Pastor on Study Leave:** Dr. Cheetham will be on study leave October 22<sup>nd</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>. If you need a minister, please contact Kristy in the church office at 444-1360.

**Old Time Hymn Sing:** On Sunday, October 29<sup>th</sup> we will have an Old Time Hymn Sing at 10:45 am. If you have a specific song you would like to sing, please give it to Kristy in the office.

**Project J.O.Y. Adopt-A-Box:** Each year, Priest Lake Presbyterian Church, Nashville, takes “shoe box” gifts, food, clothing, and Bibles to Harlan, KY to be distributed to those in need. Please fill an Adopt-A-Box and help us to reach our church's goal of 100 boxes. Directions for filling the boxes are available in Fellowship Hall. All boxes must be returned to Fellowship Hall today.

**This Week at First Presbyterian Church**

Today	8:45 am	Contemporary Service
	9:45 am	Church School
	11:00 am	Traditional Service
Tuesday	9:00 am	Preschool
Wednesday	5:00 pm	Bell Choir
	6:00 pm	Wednesday Night Fellowship
	7:15 pm	Choir Practice
Thursday	9:00 am	Preschool
	6:30 pm	Contemporary Practice

### Last Sunday's Record

Contemporary Service	59	Offering	\$	3,557.00
Sunday School	48	Weekly Need		5,354.00
Sanctuary Service	81	Through Sept		176,633.50

**Fall Festival:** Everyone is invited to the annual Fall Festival on Wednesday, October 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. There will be games, activities, and candy for the children. If you can, please donate the following items: individually wrapped candy, red apples, and small pumpkins. Come in costume and plan to join in the fun! No scary costumes please.

### Fellowship Breakfast Sunday, October 29<sup>th</sup>, 8:15 a.m.

Everyone is invited to breakfast on October 29<sup>th</sup> in Fellowship Hall, prior to the Contemporary Service. The menu will include bacon, eggs, biscuits, juice, and coffee.

### Wednesday Night Fellowship Dinner October 18<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 p.m.

The program will be "Big Brothers and Big Sisters" presented by Phyllis Sutton. All reservations must be received by Tuesday morning. To make a reservation, call the church office or sign up on the attendance slip inside the bulletin. You can now make your reservation on line at [www.fpclebanon.org](http://www.fpclebanon.org).

### Salisbury Steak w/mushroom gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Peas, Fruit Salad, Rolls, Coconut Cream Pie

#### Prayer Concerns

Hazel Williams	Pam Anderson	Marcia Williams
Claudine Prowell	Don Denney	Isa Carroll
Etta Hammer	Peggy Williams	Bill Higgins
Thayer & Alice Smith	Betty Eshelman	Lesla Fletcher
Mary Helen Averitt	Maclynn Crawford	Debbie McClure
Sara Thompson	Debbie York	Sue Patton Guy
Sherry Arnold	Aubrey Roney	Julie Pepper
Marjorie Nabbe	Cecilia White	Barbara Mullins
Stan Williams	John Angles	Valerie Eblin
Joseph Clemons	Julie Stephens	Grace Garrard
Jerry Gray	Shirley Walfus	Debbie Sharp
Martha Anderson	Debbie Brinner	Johnnie Keel
Jeremy Stubblefield	Jim Robbins	Charles Lambert
Jerry Pentecost	Donna Goliher	George Donnell
Jessie Ruth Hall	Charles Cowden Sr.	Mary Keiph
Kathy Keith	Sean Barber	Alba Telez
Pat Bone	Bonnie Hall Major	Barbara Kelley
Judy French	Ed Newton	Sue Bouton

#### Military

Kevin Alseys	Kyle Kaker	Randy Sandlin
Matthew Ash	James Scott	Noah Evans
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	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 Lanus

**The Board of Deacons**

*Lesley Jacobson, Moderator*

Jon Baker  
Carolyn Beard  
Mary Ellen O'Neil  
Deborah Sanders

Loyce Bradshaw  
James Herren  
Lesley Jacobson  
Karen Jump

Jennifer Breland  
Faye Brown  
Becky Burris  
Alex Quarles

**The Church Staff**

Dr. John T. Cheetham, Pastor  
Gary Scott, Organist  
Branson Clark, Music Director  
Kristy Stevens, Administrative Assistant  
Tracey Hay, Treasurer  
Kristin Herren, Nursery Attendant  
Lee Anne Warren, Preschool Director

# First Presbyterian Church

304 West Main Street  
Lebanon, Tennessee  
Phone 615-444-1360 Fax 615-444-9916

[www.fpclebanon.org](http://www.fpclebanon.org)



\