

## Welcome

We extend a warm welcome to all who worship with us this morning. If you are seeking a church home, we invite you to become a member of First Presbyterian Church. For more information, please speak to the pastor at the close of the service.

### This Week at FPC

#### Today

8:45 a.m. Worship  
9:45 a.m. Church School  
11:00 a.m. Worship

#### Monday

5:30 p.m. VBS

#### Tuesday

5:30 p.m. VBS

#### Wednesday

5:30 p.m. VBS  
7:45 p.m. Choir Practice

#### Thursday

6:30 p.m. Praise Team

#### Friday

#### Saturday

### First Presbyterian Church

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### Mighty Fortress Vacation Bible School

June 26-28  
5:30-8:00 p.m.

**THE FLOWERS** in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and memory of **Mora and Jim Purnell** by their family.

**WE WELCOME** Christine Brosend as our guest organist today.

**A SPECIAL THANKS YOU** to Gordon D. Carroll who, as part of his Eagle Scout Project, removed and replaced two pieces of playground equipment for the church and the preschool. Please take a moment and notice the large climbing tower on the playground and the smaller climbing tower next to the back doors. Thank you, Gordon.

**FPC PRESCHOOL** is currently accepting enrollments for the fall. Classes are available for 3 and 4 year olds and are held on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday.

The **4 Cents-a-Meal** offering will be received today. Your gifts help feed those in need here in Lebanon and throughout Middle Tennessee.

# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LEBANON, TENNESSEE

*Service for the Lord's Day*

June 25, 2017

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

11:00 a.m.

## THE GATHERING

*To Glorify God and Enjoy God Forever*

SILENT MEDITATION

PRELUDE

*This Is My Father's World*

arr. Diane Bish

CHIMING THE HOUR

CHORAL INTROIT

\* **CALL TO WORSHIP** (*from Psalm 46*)

Leader: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

People: Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change,  
though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea.

Leader: Come, behold the works of the Lord;

People: He makes wars cease to the end of the earth;  
he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear;

Leader: "Be still, and know that I am God!"

People: God is exalted among the nations, God is exalted in the earth.  
The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

\* **HYMN NO. 356**

*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

ROBINSON

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

King of Heaven, we confess that we lack confidence in your power and might.

When we pray, too often we pray to gods that are not you.

We choose to depend on our own self-sufficiency and ignore our frailties.

We take your bountiful care for granted.

We fail to tell the world of your strength and goodness.

Forgive us, we pray. May we always sing your praise. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

\* Those who are able are invited to stand.

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: God says, "There is nothing you can do to make me stop loving you."

People: When the truth of those words breaks through, we are transformed.

Leader: "You are accepted and loved as you are.

You don't have to carry around the burdens of the past."

People: We are a new creation through the powerful presence of God's constant love. Thanks be to God!

## \*GLORIA PATRI

Hymn No. 579

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;*

*As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,*

*world without end. Amen, amen.*

## \*THE PEACE

The Peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

## THE WORD OF GOD

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

Gracious God, we do not live by bread alone,  
but by every word that comes from your mouth.

Make us hungry for this heavenly food,  
that it may nourish us today in the ways of eternal life;  
through Jesus Christ, the bread of heaven. Amen.

### SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 36:1-10

*Say to Hezekiah: Thus says the great king, the king of Assyria:*

*On what do you base this confidence of yours?*

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

### ANTHEM

*Teach Me, O Lord*

Thomas Attwood

*Teach me, O Lord, the way of Thy statutes,*

*And I shall keep it,*

*And I shall keep it unto the end.*

### TIME FOR THE CHILDREN

Children are invited to come forward.

### SERMON

*Mighty Fortress*

Rev. Sherard Edington

## RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

### \*HYMN NO. 307

*Fight the Good Fight*

DUKE STREET

### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the  
Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was  
crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose  
again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand  
of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick  
and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of  
saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life  
everlasting. Amen.

### OFFERTORY PRAYER

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*My Lord, What a Morning*

arr.R. Billingham

### \*DOXOLOGY

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;*

*Praise Him, all creatures here below;*

*Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:*

*Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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## SENDING FORTH

### \*HYMN NO. 260

*A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

EIN' FESTE BURG

### \*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

### \*CHORAL RESPONSE

### POSTLUDE

*Scherzo*

Alan Ridout