

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	
9:00 a.m.	Presbytery Meeting
Tuesday	
9:00 a.m.	Preschool
Wednesday	
6:00 p.m.	Fellowship Meal
6:30 p.m.	Choir Practice
Thursday	
9:00 a.m.	Preschool
6:30 p.m.	Praise Team
Friday	
Saturday	
7:00 p.m.	Compassionate Hands

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

DEACONS' CHILI MEAL: The Annual Deacons' Chili Day will be Wednesday February 27 from 11:00



a.m. until 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children and can be purchased from any Deacon or the church office. Carry-out boxes will be available. Beef, turkey, and vegetarian chili will be served, plus drinks and dessert.

THE PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY of the congregation are extended to Loyce and Charles Bradshaw on the death of Loyce's sister, **Joyce Knowles Badger**, on February 16.

INQUIRERS CLASS: Rev. Edington will lead a class for anyone interested in exploring membership in the church. The 3 classes will begin March 24 and will be held during the Sunday School hour. For more information and to sign up, please contact the church office.

4 CENTS A MEAL will be received today. Please use the yellow pew envelope in the back of the your donation.

MAKE LENT 40 DAYS OF GIVING: In observance of Lent, the congregation is invited to participate in the Lenten Challenge. It is very simple. Beginning on March 6th, remove one item from your home and put it into a bag and offer a prayer of thankfulness. Do this every day during Lent, and then on Easter bring your bag to the church. All bags and contents will be delivered to the Wilson County Help Center. Large, heavy-duty plastic bags and instructions are available at the church. Make this part of your Lenten discipleship.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LEBANON, TENNESSEE

Service for the Lord's Day

February 24, 2019

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

11:00 a.m.

THE GATHERING

To Glorify God and Enjoy God Forever

SILENT MEDITATION

PRELUDE

Fugue in C Major

Bach

CHIMING THE HOUR

CHORAL INTROIT

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (*from Psalm 37*)

Leader: Do not fret because of the wicked;
do not be envious of wrongdoers,

People: For they will soon fade like the grass.

Leader: Trust in the Lord, and do good.

People: Be still before the Lord, and wait patiently for him.

Leader: The meek shall inherit the land,
and delight themselves in abundant prosperity.

People: The salvation of the righteous is from the Lord;
he is their refuge in the time of trouble.

***HYMN NO. 138**

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal Lord, your Holy Kingdom reigns forever, and yet we foolishly subscribe to that which does not last. We embrace the perishable and reject the imperishable. Although it is fleeting, we prefer the physical which we can see over the spiritual which we choose not to see.

Holy God, forgive our shortsightedness and help us to extend beyond this earthly realm so that we may recognize the true and glorious power of the resurrection. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

* Those who are able are invited to stand.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: By the transforming power of God's Spirit we can be changed.

Friends, hear the good news:

People: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. 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)

Lord, open our hearts and minds
by the power of your Holy Spirit,
that as the scriptures are read
and your Word is proclaimed,
we may hear with joy
what you say to us today. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50

*Flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God,
nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.*

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

Kyrie Eleison

Leonhard Lechner

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison.

Lord, have mercy on me. Christ, have mercy on me.

TIME FOR THE CHILDREN

Children are invited to come forward.

SERMON

Seeds of Dust, Seeds of Heaven

Rev. Sherard Edington

RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

*HYMN NO. 251

Your Faithfulness, O Lord, Is Sure

WINCHESTER NEW

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

FROM THE HEIDELBERG CATECHISM

Leader: What is your only comfort, in life and in death?

People: That I belong – body and soul,
in life and in death – not to myself
but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ,
who at the cost of His own blood has fully paid for all my sins
and has completely freed me from the dominion of the devil;
that He protects me so well
that without the will of my Father in heaven
not a hair can fall from my head;
indeed, that everything must fit
His purpose for my salvation.
Therefore, by His Holy Spirit,
He also assures me of eternal life
and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready
from now on to live for Him.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY

Andante

Michael Sullivan

*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. 391

Take My Life (vss. 1, 5, 6)

HENDON

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Fanfare

Jacques-Nicolas Lemmens