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# PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LEBANON



September 11, 2022

# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

*Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

September 11, 2022

10:00 A.M.

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## THE GATHERING

*To Glorify God and Enjoy God Forever*

PRELUDE

1. *Shock*  
2. *Disbelief*

Linda C. George

CHIMING THE HOUR

CHORAL INTROIT

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Clap your hands, all you peoples;

People: **Shout to God with loud songs of joy.**

Leader: It is good to give thanks to the Lord,

People: **To sing praises to your name, O Most High.**

\*HYMN NO. 439 *In Christ There Is No East or West*

ST. PETER

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Almighty God, by water and your Holy Spirit, you baptized us to be your own and called the church into being. We confess that we hold back the love of your Spirit among us.

We do not listen for your word of grace, speak the good news of your love, or live as a people made one in Christ.

Have mercy on us, O God. Transform our lives by the power of your Holy Spirit and make strong our common witness to the one Lord, our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: The God of power hears our prayer before we speak yet welcomes our praying.

People: **We pray for the lifting of the darkness of our sins.**

Leader: God's answer to our prayers is the Good News:

People: **In Christ we are forgiven! Amen.**

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\* Those who are able are invited to stand.

**\*KYRIE**

*Lord, have mercy - mercy on us  
Christ, have mercy - mercy on us  
Lord, have mercy - mercy on us*

**\*THE PEACE**

The Peace of Christ be with you.  
And also with you.

**THE WORD OF GOD**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)**

Gracious God, give us humble, teachable, and obedient hearts, that we may receive what you have revealed, and do what you have commanded. Amen.

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Luke 15:1-32

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**

**ANTHEM**

*O Lord Most Holy*

Cesar Franck

*O Lord most holy, O Lord most holy,  
O loving Father, we would praise Thy name forever;  
Help us to know Thee, Know Thee and love Thee;  
Father, Father, grant us Thy truth and grace;  
Father, Father, guide and defend us.  
Lead with Thy guiding light, Keep us in paths aright,  
In our sorrows let us find our rest in Thee;  
And in temptation's hour, Save through Thy mighty pow'r,  
Father, hear us; Hear us in mercy;  
Show us Thy favor, So we shall live and sing praise to Thee.*

**TIME FOR THE CHILDREN**

Children are invited to come forward

**SERMON**

*Lost and Found*

Rev. Stacy Rector



## 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.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### SAVE THE DATE!

The **Annual Church Picnic** will be held on  
Wednesday, September 21 at 6:00 p.m.  
at Don Fox Community Park.

Fried chicken, drinks, plastic ware, and paper goods will be provided. Bring a covered dish and join the fellowship.

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WE WELCOME the Rev. Stacy Rector to the pulpit today. Stacy is the Executive Director of Tennesseans for Alternatives to the Death Penalty. She is a native of Dyersburg, Tennessee, and a graduate of Rhodes College and Columbia Theological Seminary. She also currently serves on the Peacemaking and Outreach committees for the Presbytery of Middle Tennessee and on the board of People of Faith Against the Death Penalty.

Sherard Edington has been on vacation with his family this week. He will return to the office on Tuesday.

THANK YOU to everyone for providing the summer food for the Wilson County Schools. School is back in session, so remember that more food is needed. The school can use peanut butter, Slim Jim, pop top canned foods, Rice Krispy treats, Pop Tarts, easy Mac and Cheese, and other easy to open and eat snacks.

VANGOES—The VanGoes trip on Wednesday has been cancelled.

## YOUTH

YOUTH GROUP (5<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> grade) –The next youth meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 21 at 6:00 p.m. at the church picnic. Regular meetings will resume on October 5 at 6:00 p.m.

## THIS WEEK AT FPC

### Today

9:00 a.m. Church School  
10:00 a.m. Worship  
11:15 a.m. Personnel Comm.

### Monday

6:00 p.m. New Day Group  
4:00 p.m. Building Comm.

### Tuesday

9:00 a.m. Preschool  
6:00 p.m. AA Group-Annex

### Wednesday

9:00 a.m. Van Goes Trip  
6:00 p.m. Brown Bag  
6:30 p.m. Choir Practice

### Thursday

9:00 a.m. Preschool  
6:00 p.m. Boy Scouts

### Friday

### Saturday

2:00 p.m. Buckner/Hughes  
Wedding

## ELDERS

Class of 2022  
Jessica Fain  
Mickey Stueck  
Lee Lyle

Class of 2023  
Max Carter  
Frank Reeves  
David Foutch  
Wayne Patton

Class of 2024  
Jackie Cowden  
Tracey Hay

## DIACONATE

Class of 2022  
Jack Emmert  
Marilyn Peyton  
Laura Simmons  
Margaret Ann Trail

Class of 2023  
Margaret Carroll  
Mark Fain  
Carol Benson  
Pat Hatcher

Class of 2024  
Jonathan Bouton  
Carol Turner  
Van Turner  
Sandra Weatherford

## CHURCH COMMITTEES

Clerk of Session – Barbara Howell  
Treasurer – Robin Orewiler  
Budget & Finance – Frank Reeves  
Buildings and Grounds – Tracey Hay  
Christian Education – Max Carter  
Congregational Care – Mickey Stueck  
Outreach – Jessica Fain  
Personnel – Jackie Cowden  
Worship – Wayne Patton

## STAFF

Ministers – All Members of the Congregation  
Pastor – Sherard Edington  
Director of Music/Organist – Darryl Nettles  
Office Administrator – Kristy Vincent  
Preschool Director – Angela Hankins  
Nursery – Sara Brown  
Custodians – Stratus Cleaning Service

## SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

**Children**  
Nursery  
Preschool – 1<sup>st</sup> Grade  
Elementary Class  
Middle- High School Class

**Adult**  
Crossroads Class  
Faith Builders Class  
Westminster Class  
Women's Class

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