

**First Presbyterian Church**

Organized May 25, 1822

*With Christ as our Savior and Guide,  
We seek to know God's love and share it  
With each other, our community, and the world.  
We invite you to join us in this journey  
of discipleship!*

*Rev. Dr. Gregory L. Glover, Pastor*

**Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost  
October 22, 2017**

**GATHERING AROUND THE WORD**

PRELUDE "Sing A New Song"  
Edward Broughton

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE AND GREETING

The LORD be with you.  
**And also with you.**

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.  
**God's steadfast love endures forever.**  
Give thanks to God for the faith we share;  
**be steadfast in hope through Jesus Christ.**  
Let us worship God.

\*HYMN #1 "Holy, Holy, Holy"

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Sovereign God, we confess that we are not ready for your holy realm. You offer us your law of love, but we disobey the simplest command. You offer us your gospel of grace, but we disregard this greatest gift. Forgive us, merciful God, so that we may return to your fold and rejoice in your presence; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the Lamb upon the throne.**

**Now hear our silent, personal prayers of confession...**

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*GLORIA PATRI, Hymn #581

**PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 5:38-48 (p. 786)

ANTHEM "Prayer of Being"  
Mark Hayes

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

\*\**Children ages 4-3rd grade leave for Children's Worship*

INTERLUDE "When We Are Living"  
Traditional Spanish

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING  
Deuteronomy 15:1-11 (p. 150)

This is the Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

SERMON "Jesus Jiu-Jitsu"

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

\*HYMN #753 "Make Me A Channel of Your Peace"

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Scots Confession  
(Chapter XI)*

**We believe that the same Lord Jesus shall visibly return for the Last Judgment as he was seen to ascend. And then, we firmly believe, the time of refreshing and restitution of all things shall come, so that those who from the beginning have suffered violence, injury, and wrong, for righteousness' sake,**

**shall inherit that blessed immortality promised them from the beginning.**

**The remembrance of that day, and of the Judgment to be executed in it, is not only a bridle by which our carnal lusts are restrained but also such inestimable comfort that neither the threatening of worldly princes, nor the fear of present danger or of temporal death, may move us to renounce and forsake that blessed society which we, the members, have with our Head and only Mediator, Christ Jesus: whom we confess and avow to be the promised Messiah, the only Head of his Kirk, our just Lawgiver, our only High Priest, Advocate, and Mediator.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY "Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners"  
Rowland Prichard  
arr. Rice

\*THE DOXOLOGY, Hymn #606

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

\*HYMN #307 "God of Grace and God of Glory"

\*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE "Fugue in D Major"  
J.S. Bach

**WORSHIP NOTES**

**Maggie Brown** is today's liturgist.  
**Tabitha Lee** is today's audio-visual specialist.  
**Carolyn Riggins** is interim Music Director.  
**Kenneth Williams** is interim organist.  
\*Please stand if you are able.  
\*\***Children's Worship** is in the Chapel outside of the church office.  
**All Saints' Day:** We will celebrate our very own roll call of the Saints during November 5 worship service, please use

one of the bulletin inserts or submit the name directly to Monica by October 23. (2017 All Saints' Day List is on FPC website for you to review. If there are additions or changes please send them to Monica.)

### THIS WEEK AT FPC

#### Sunday, October 22

9:00am Youth and Adult Sunday School Classes

Young Children's Music (until 9:15)

1:30pm Family Fun Day at the Nashville Zoo

4:00pm Middle/High School groups at AOC

#### Monday, October 23

12:30pm PW Lunch

5:00pm Theology on Tap @ Shoney's

#### Tuesday, October 24

5:30pm Yoga

7:00pm Night Circle

#### Wednesday, October 25

10:00am Bible Study group meets in the library

6:00pm New Testament Greek Class

Handbells

6:30pm Senior Highs @ Chick Fil A

7:00pm Adult Choir

#### Thursday, October 26

9:00am Yoga

Staff Meeting

10a-12n/1p-3p Disciple Classes

October 27-29 Youth Fall Retreat

#### Wifi

To connect and use Wifi while you are in the building:

Network: FPCGuest

Password:

Welcome2fpc

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**RECIPES FOR PW COOKBOOK** are still being accepted and can be delivered to the church office and placed in the basket. Thank you.

#### **HELP WANTED!**

The Bicentennial Steering Committee solicits your help! We need volunteers for these sub-committees: Remembrance, Celebration, and Vision. Forms are available in the church office. Thank you.

#### **ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**

The Annual Congregational Meeting will take place on October 29 at the end of worship (11:00 a.m.). This meeting is for electing elders to serve on Session for the next three years. The nominees for the Class of 2020 are Will Arrington (2nd consecutive term; currently filling a partial, unexpired term), Charlotte Graves, Danny McGregor, Diane Miner, Bill Moser, Anna Neubauer, Mary Jo Patterson, Craig Schryver, and Evan Duncan (Youth Elder, 2018). Participation in this meeting is an important responsibility of membership. Our Annual Meeting will include an update and reporting on our financial situation. Please make every effort to attend.

#### **LOOKING AHEAD:**

October 29 Congregational Meeting (see announcement)

November 5 All Saints' Day

Daylight Savings time ends

November 10 OFFICE CLOSED in honor of Veterans Day

November 12 Leadership Dinner Save the Date!

November 19 Consecration Sunday\*

November 23 Thanksgiving OFFICE CLOSED

November 24 OFFICE CLOSED for Thanksgiving

December 2 SpiritFest Save the Date!

\*There will be no Second Sunday Lunch in November; but all are invited to the **Consecration Lunch, November 19.**

## MEMBER/VISITOR INFORMATION CARD

Please complete and place in offering plate

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Member(s)  Visitor(s)

I will attend PW Lunch  I need child care

Members indicate if there are changes in information.

Are You Interested In (circle as many as you like):

Fellowship Sunday School Small Group Study

Meet with Pastor Baptism Membership Choir

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Prayer Requests: \_\_\_\_\_

#### **ROOM IN THE INN**

After meeting at the Old Firehouse Day Shelter with area churches concerning the Winter Shelter Program, we have realized that there are several other churches providing shelter on Fridays and no churches on Wednesdays. Therefore, we are going to change back to **Wednesdays**. Fewer churches are participating in the Room In The Inn (RITI) program, thus there is a need to offer shelter for men and women each Wednesday. We will make a new sign-up sheet with new dates. Please contact either Margaret Adames 980-1646 or Eric Salyer 624-9104 if you are interested in serving a meal or staying overnight as an inn keeper.