

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

Second Sunday After Epiphany

January 14, 2018

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE "My Song Is Love Unknown"
Ralph Vaughan Williams

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.
Those who exalt themselves will be humbled,
and those who are humble will be exalted.
Let us worship God.

*HYMN #35 "Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"

CALL TO CONFESSION

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God our Maker, we confess that we are not ready to meet you. You call us to repent, but we turn away from you. You wait patiently for us, but we fail to watch and wait for you. Forgive us, God of grace. Embrace us with tender mercy so that we may be at one with you when all your glory is revealed; through Jesus Christ our Lord

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 Isaiah 53:1-5 (p. 596)

ANTHEM "With a Voice of Singing"
Martin

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

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

INTERLUDE

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Luke 1:67-79 (p. 832)

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

SERMON "Music as Worship"
Mark Ring

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*HYMN #611 "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Apostles' Creed*
(*Hymnal p.35*)

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY "Air, from Water Music"
G.F. Handel

*THE DOXOLOGY, HYMN #606

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN #641 "When in Our Music God Is Glorified"

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE Improvisation on "Lobe den Herrn"

WORSHIP NOTES

Sue Reynolds is today's liturgist.

Tabitha Lee is today's audio-visual specialist.

Mark Ring is Music Director.

*Please stand if you are able.

**Children's Worship is in the Chapel outside of the church office.

Wifi

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

Network: FPCGuest
Password: Welcome2fpc

THIS WEEK AT FPC

Sunday, January 14 Second Sunday Lunch*
9:00am Youth and Adult Sunday School Classes
 Young Children's Music (until 9:15)
11:00am **Second Sunday Lunch**--Please join us!!
4:00pm **Middle/High School groups** at AOC
Monday, January 15 Office Closed in Honor of MLK
6:00pm **Unity Service** (see announcement)
Tuesday, January 16
5:00pm **Yoga**
Wednesday, January 17
5:00pm **Room in the Inn**
6:00pm **Handbells**
6:30pm **Senior Highs @ Chick Fil A**
7:00pm **Adult Choir**
Thursday, January 18
9:00am **Yoga**
9:00am **Staff Meeting**
Saturday, January 20 PLANNING DAY!



*Come to **SECOND SUNDAY LUNCH** immediately following worship **TODAY** and meet **Dr. Mark Ring and his wife Beth**. Don't miss this opportunity to fellowship, eat a good meal and extend a warm welcome to our newest staff member.

SAVE THE DATE! The Women's Retreat will be March 16-18 at Montgomery Bell State Park! More information to follow.

NEW ADULT CLASS A Contemporary Bible Study meets in the Parlor every Sunday during the Sunday School time (9-9:45).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

UNITY SERVICE is **January 15, 2018 at 6:00pm at the First Baptist Church**, 435 Madison St., Clarksville, 2018
Theme: Together we win with love for humanity.

PLANNING DAY is **Saturday, January 20**, all the committees and teams of the church will gather 9:00am-noon (with lunch at 11:30am) to plan the church's activities for 2017. This is a wonderful opportunity to check out an area of church life. Please consider joining one of the committees on this day to "observe" as members evaluate the year just past and begin to plan the ministries and events that will take place at FPC during the coming year. Our church is very blessed to have such strong volunteer leadership in every facet of our life together. Please consider making us even stronger through your contribution to one of our committees this year.

DAVE RAMSEY FINANCIAL CLASS FPC will be hosting another Dave Ramsey class starting **January 23, 2018** at 6 pm in the church library. The Christian Ed Committee is paying for the class materials so there is no cost to attendees. Contact Steve Gallaher to register at 302-985-1707.

HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE is looking for people to serve as greeters on Sunday mornings. You do not have to "join" this committee to be a greeter. Please contact Kristi Kimmell if you can help with this ministry.

SERVICE COMMITTEE is inviting all to consider working as an interviewer or clerk. The rewards are more than can be expressed!

MEN'S QUARTERLY BREAKFAST has been changed to the first **TUESDAY** of the quarter. The next breakfast will be **April 3**.

LOOKING AHEAD:

January 15 MLK Day, Office Closed
January 20 Planning Day
January 21 Ordination of Elders
January 23 Dave Ramsey Financial Peace Class begins
February 19 President's Day, Office Closed
February 24 Stephen Ministry Workshop
February 26 PW Luncheon
February 27 Empty Bowls

MEMBER/VISITOR INFORMATION CARD

Please complete and place in offering plate

10:00am Service

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Telephone: _____

- Member(s) Visitor(s)
 Members please indicate any changes if info.

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: _____

EVENT OF BAD WINTER WEATHER

We encourage members to evaluate dangerous road conditions and decide whether to drive to worship. Should it be necessary to cancel any events scheduled for Sundays, we will request two local news media make the info available to the public after 6pm on Saturday. You can look on the Leaf Chronicle web site or listen to WJZM AM 1400 or check FirstPresbyterianChurch,Clarksville,TN on Facebook and website and an announcement will be on Realm. Also on the days that the public school system closes for dangerous road conditions, the church will be closed for evening activities. As you know, the weather can change hour to hour, please contact your group leader for class/group cancelations.