



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

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 16, 2018

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE "Sonata St. March: Largo"
Tommaso Albinoni
Robert Waugh, Trumpet

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.
I called to God: Lord, save my life!
God has delivered my soul from death.
Let us worship God.

*HYMN #475 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that we have not followed your way. We protect what is dear to us and neglect what is dear to you. We preserve our own way of life and profit at the expense of others. Forgive us, God of grace. Show us the error of our ways, and guide us back to your path of

righteousness, justice, and peace; 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 Deuteronomy 11:8-21 (p.147)

ANTHEM "O How Amiable"
Ralph Vaughan Williams

CHILDREN'S MOMENT
***Children ages 4-4th grade leave for Children's Worship*

INTERLUDE

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING James 3:1-18 (p. 981)

Holy wisdom, holy word.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON "The Beauty of Holiness: A Legacy of Education"

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*HYMN #487 "These Treasured Children"

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Second Helvetic Confession (5.233)*

The Lord enjoined his ancient people to exercise the greatest care that young people, even from infancy, be properly instructed. Moreover, he expressly commanded in his law that they should teach them, and that the mysteries of the sacraments should be explained. Now since [...] he openly testifies and says: "let the children come to me: for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven,"

the pastors of the churches act most wisely when they early and carefully catechize the youth, laying the first grounds of faith, and faithfully teaching the rudiments of our religion by expounding the Ten Commandments, the Apostles' Creed, the Lord's Prayer, and the doctrine of the sacraments, with other such principles and chief heads of our religion. Here let the Church show her faith and diligence in bringing the children to be catechized, desirous and glad to have her children well instructed.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

(You may give online at
http://www.fpccclarksville.org/give_online)

THE OFFERTORY "My Faith Looks Up To Thee"
arr. Curnow
Robert Waugh, Trumpet

*THE DOXOLOGY, Hymn #606

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN #687 "O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

*CHARGE & BLESSING

*POSTLUDE "Concerto In D: Allegro Moderato"
Leopold Mozart
Robert Waugh, Trumpet

WORSHIP NOTES

Dan Akin is today's liturgist.
Tabitha Lee is today's audio-visual specialist.
Mark Ring is Director of Music/Organist.
Kenneth Williams, Accompanist.
*Please stand if you are able.
**Children's Worship is in the Chapel outside of the church office. Please note the change in grade level for Children's Worship.
Members of the Finance and Investment Advisory Committees are ushers today.

THIS WEEK AT FPC

Sunday, September 16

9:00am **Children/Youth & Adult SS Classes**

9:00-9:15am **Children's Music**

4-6:00pm **Youth Groups**

6:00pm **Session**

Monday, September 17

5:00pm **Theology on Tap** (O'Charley's on Riverside)

Tuesday, September 18

5:00pm **Yoga**

Wednesday, September 19

10:00am **Bible Study** group meets in the Chapel

6:00pm **Handbells** meets in the Chapel

6:30pm **Senior Highs @ Chick Fil A**

7:00pm **Adult Choir**

Thursday, September 20

8:30am **Yoga**

12:00noon **Staff Meeting**

LOOKING AHEAD:

September 24 PW Lunch

September 29 Women's Fall Retreat (see announcement)

October 2 Men's Quarterly Breakfast (see announcement)

October 7 Showers of Love (see announcement)

October 8 Office Closed for Columbus Day

October 8-12 Fall Break

October 13 Loaves & Fishes fund raiser (see announcement)

October 14 Joint service with Trinity (TBA)

October 28 All Saints' Day

Congregational Meeting

FUTURE EVENTS FOR YOUTH:

October 5-7 NaCoMe Fall Retreat

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN LUNCH, MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24 at 12:30pm. Please join us! Sign-ups are in the bulletin (tear-off), on the PW bulletin board or through the church office.

FPC WOMEN'S FALL RETREAT

In keeping with our Bicentennial theme, we will, at our Fall Women's Retreat, reflect, rejoice and renew on **Saturday, Sept. 29, 9-4pm, in Palmyra!** The Rev. Lisa Martin will lead us in a three-part discussion/activity. Feel free to stay for one, two or all three! All women are invited to participate and enjoy this time of fellowship, food and fun. We will be at the Foust home overlooking the Cumberland river. In our "free time" plan to walk the trails & train tracks, kayak, paddle-board & paddle-boat or just sit on the patios and watch the world go by. You might even get lucky and see a bald eagle or two! We will have childcare available at the church; make a reservation with Dianne York by September 21. There is no cost for the day, but please sign up on the bulletin board across from the office or on the bulletin tear-off so we can prepare appropriately.

All men, all ages, are invited to participate in our **MEN'S QUARTERLY BREAKFAST** on **Tuesday, October 2 at 8am at Shoney's on the corner of Kraft and 2nd Streets** to talk about life and faith! A brief devotional follows the meal. **Please note date change!**

The Missions Committee will host **SHOWERS OF LOVE** **October 7 from 1-3pm in the lower level of the AOC.** They welcome donations of gently used towels and new socks for our homeless neighbors.

MEMBER/VISITOR INFORMATION CARD

Please complete and place in offering plate
10:00am Service

Name: _____

Member(s) Visitor(s)

Address: _____

Email: _____

Telephone: _____

Members indicate if this is a change in information.

I will attend **PW Lunch** I need child care

I will attend **Fall Retreat** I need child care

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

Fellowship Sunday School Small Group Study

Meet with Pastor Baptism Membership Choir

Other: _____

Prayer Requests: _____

LOAVES & FISHES Save the date!

The major fundraiser for **Loaves & Fishes, Louisiana Saturday Nite, is October 13 from 4:30-7:00pm at the L&F soup kitchen** located at the FPC activities center (corner of Foster and Third). There will be a delicious Louisiana Cajun meal along with music and indoor and outdoor seating. Dinner includes chicken and andouille sausage gumbo with rice, slaw, roll, bread pudding, praline and a drink.

Tickets are \$15.00 and are available at the church office, Eventbrite or through Charlie Keene, Tam Long, Issac Wright, Jill Crow or Diane Miner. We will be available before and after church service the second Sunday of September and first Sunday of October outside the church to sell tickets. The following sponsorship is available: Event Sponsor \$1000.00, Table Sponsor \$500.00, Sponsor \$250.00, and Supporter \$100.00. Sponsorship application is available in the church office. All checks must be received by 10/01/18 to be included on sponsorship print materials. Checks may be made payable to Loaves and Fishes: P.O. Box 3241, Clarksville, TN 37043. For more ticket information go to www.eventbrite.com. Remember you can **DINE IN OR CARRY OUT!**