

Memorial Day Sunday
May 26, 2013

*"In Your will is our peace;
In Your love is our rest;
In Your service is our joy."*

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

‡ GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE AND GREETING

The LORD be with you.
And also with you.

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid:
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

* HYMN, #482 "Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God,
We confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.
Now hear our silent, personal confessions...

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

* GLORIA PATRI

Hymn #579

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON (unison reading) Psalm 23

**The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.
He makes me lie down in green pastures;
He leads me beside still waters;
He restores by soul.
He leads me in the right paths for his name's sake.**

Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I fear no evil, for you are with me.
Your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies.
You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.
Amen.

ANTHEM "Wayfarin' Stranger" arr. Linda Spevacek

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

ORGAN INTERLUDE (11:00)

Today children may remain with their parents in worship; younger children may go to the nursery.

GOSPEL LESSON John 10:1-6, 11-16

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON" "Knowing God: (2) the God Who Guides Us"
"He leads me in the right paths for his name's sake."

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

* HYMN, #281 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *Apostles' Creed*, hymnal pg. 14

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

The Offertory

* The Doxology, Hymn #592

* Prayers of Dedication

* HYMN, #564 "O Beautiful for Spacious Skies"

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

* CHORAL RESPONSE AND POSTLUDE

WORSHIP NOTES

Arland Batson is the Elder of the Day. Ann Waddle is the liturgist.

‡ Please sign and pass the Friendship Pad found at the end of your pew. Write prayer concerns and notes to the church office on the cards found in your pew and place them in the offering plate.

* If you are able, please stand.

Next Sunday is Communion Sunday. We will receive the sacrament by intinction, with those who are able coming forward. Pastor Dave's message will be the third in the sermon series, "Knowing God," from Jesus' words, "I AM the Bread of Life," from John 6:1-14, 35-40.

THIS WEEK AT FIRST

Sunday, May 26

10:30 am Gathering Time in the fellowship hall.

2:00 pm Club 345 for 3rd, 4th and 5th graders at the AOC. Bring a friend!

4-6:00 pm Senior High and Middle School Youth meet. Middle School should bring \$\$ for a fast-food supper.

Monday, May 27

Church office closed in observance of Memorial Day.

No Theology on Tap meeting.

Tuesday, May 28

5:30 pm Yoga in the fellowship hall.

Wednesday, May 29

10:00 am Bible Study in the church library.

6:00 pm Handbell Choir practice on the 4th floor.

6:30 pm Senior Highs meet at Whitt's BBQ on Madison Street for supper. Please bring money for the meal.

7:00 pm Adult Choir practice on the 4th floor.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

For those wanting to explore membership at First Presbyterian with Pastor Dave, a two-week class will be offered on Sundays, June 23 and 30, from 9:45-10:30 in the pastor's office. The first week, we will explore the mission statement and core beliefs of First Presbyterian Church of Clarksville; the second week, we will look at the wider denomination--the history and unique elements of what it means to be a Presbyterian. Members who would like to sit in and discuss these same things are welcome to call Pastor Dave and join us.

Children's Church will be held once a month during the summer. Children will gather on June 16 (Father's Day) and July 21 (VBS Sunday). Children's Church will resume weekly worship on Rally Day, August 11.

Sunday School Classes for the summer (June 2-July 28): All rising first graders through high school will meet in the movie room on the 4th floor. We will be watching 30 minutes of *The Ten Commandments*. Following the movie we will address questions such as, How is this like the Bible? What is different? How do these themes apply to life today? Preschoolers will go to the nursery and adult classes will meet as usual.

Presbyterian Prayer Chain - If you want to share a concern or celebration with members of our FPC prayer group, please contact Ann Waddle at 931-624-2597 or annwaddle@gmail.com to be added to list of prayer requests.

VBS will be July 15-19 and the theme is "*Kingdom Rock; Where Kids Stand Strong for God.*" Volunteers will be needed for all types of jobs: shepherds, teachers, snack staff, and more. If you are interested in helping, contact Laura Black at laura.black@cmcss.net, or Maggie Brown at maggiemcgrady@gmail.com. The Training Session for shepherds will be Sunday, July 7 at 12:05 pm. Lunch and childcare will be provided. All VBS children will be invited to sing in worship on July 21. VBS Registration forms are available in the vestibule, on the table outside the church office, and the newsletter.

Hymns in Worship - Drop your requests for hymns to sing in worship in the offering plate or on Neesa's desk, or send an email to fpccclarksville@gmail.com. Hymns do not have to be listed in our hymnal, only favorites that can be easily located in old hymnals or online. Pastor Dave and Lydia will try to incorporate your requests over the course of the year as the songs fit worship themes.

Family Camp, a new camp at **NaCoMe** will be offered August 2-4 (the weekend before public school begins). This will be a wonderful way to start the school year for your family. If you are interested, please contact the church office as registration forms are separate from the Youth Summer Camp form.

Church Directories are here - one copy per family is available in

the church office.

Macedonia Presbyterian Church invites our church to their Homecoming festivities on Sunday, June 2. Worship is at 10:00 am and a covered dish lunch is at 11:30 am. The church will provide the meat and drinks. Please RSVP to Kathy Fox at 503-3045 or Laura Palmer at 645-4260.

The FPC Memorial Garden is now available for the interment of ash remains for any member of FPC and with session approval, for members of their immediate family.

Rally Day will be Sunday, August 11. The Christian Education Committee will have a slide presentation during the Sunday School hour. 2nd Sunday lunch will be served in the fellowship hall following 11:00 worship.

APRIL 2013 FINANCIAL REPORT

Income for April	\$31,536.85
Expenses for April	\$49,653.33
Net Operating Total for April	-\$18,116.48
Year-to-date Income	\$166,022.95
Year-to-date Expenses	\$185,082.37
Year-to-date Operating Total	-\$19,059.42

FPC ELDERS

<u>CLASS OF 2013</u>	<u>CLASS OF 2014</u>	<u>CLASS OF 2015</u>
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First Presbyterian Church

*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!*

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