

Morning Worship

September 22, 2013

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

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE Sarah Klein, flute (11:00)

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE AND GREETING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

* CALL TO WORSHIP Psalms 95, 34, 96

O come, let us sing to the Lord and shout with joy to the rock of our salvation.

Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving, singing joyful songs of praise.

O praise the Lord with me.

Let us exalt God's name together.

O sing to the Lord a new song,

Sing to the Lord all the earth.

Sing and give praise to God's name.

Tell the glad news of salvation from day to day!

* HYMN, #555 "Now Thank We All Our God"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, our judge and redeemer, we confess that we have tried to hide from you, for we have done wrong.

We have lived for ourselves, apart from you. We have turned from our neighbors and refused to bear the burdens of others.

We have ignored the pain of the world, and passed by the hungry, the poor, and the oppressed.

In your great mercy forgive our sins and free us from selfishness, that we may choose your will and obey your commandments, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Let us approach God in silence with what is on our hearts...

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

* GLORIA PATRI

Hymn #579

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON I Timothy 2:1-7

ANTHEM "Sing A New Song" by Heinrich Schultze
Esther Sooter, cello; Sarah Klein, flute

*"Sing a new song to God the Lord, Sing and give praise with one accord.
For His salvation He doth give, that, through His mercy, we may live."*

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

ORGAN INTERLUDE (11:00)

Children, ages 4 through 4th grade depart for Children' Worship.

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke 16:1-13

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

SERMON "Making the World a Better Place"
Elder, Sue Reynolds

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

* HYMN (see insert) "Make Me a Channel of Your Peace"

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

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

The Offertory Sarah Klein, flute (8:30)
Esther Sooter, cello (11:00)

* Hymn (sing twice, see insert) "God is an Awesome God"

* Prayers of Dedication

* HYMN, (see insert) "Shine, Jesus, Shine"

* CHARGE & BENEDICTION

* CHORAL RESPONSE

* POSTLUDE

WORSHIP NOTES

Rhonda Banasiak is the liturgist. **Chip Connell** is the Elder of the Day.

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

*** If you are able, please stand.**

Next Sunday, Pastor Dave sermon will continue the fall sermon series on the Apostles' Creed with the message, "What Does It Mean to Believe in 'God the Father, Almighty Maker of Heaven and Earth'?" from Luke 11:2 and Psalm 103.

Pastor Dave is available for individual meetings with visitors and members of the congregation Monday-Friday, 9:00 am-6:00 pm, or on Saturdays when circumstances require it. Email him at david.stull.handley@gmail.com.

THIS WEEK AT FIRST

Sunday, September 22

2-3:45 pm **Club 345** for 3rd, 4th & 5th graders meets at the AOC.

4-6:00 pm **Middle School and Senior High Youth Group meetings.**

Monday, September 23

9:00 am **PW Deborah Circle meets.**

11:30 am **PW Board of Officers meets.**

12:30 pm **PW Luncheon** in the fellowship hall. Our program, "With the Troops" will be presented by Greg Williamson (photo-journalist and church member). He will share his first hand experiences while with the U.S. Troops in Afghanistan. Menu: chicken salad atop salad greens, fresh fruit, croissant, carrot cake, and beverages.

5:00 pm **Theology on Tap** at the Guadalajara Grill.

Tuesday, September 24

5:30 pm **Yoga** in the fellowship hall.

Wednesday, September 25

10:00 am **Bible Study** in the church library.

6:30 pm **Senior Highs meet at Chick-Fil-A** on Madison St. Bring \$\$ for the meal. We will eat and then hang out till 7:30 pm.

Saturday, September 28

7-11 am **In support of the Pastoral Counseling Center, a fundraiser Pancake Breakfast** will be held at Grace

Lutheran Church, 2041 Madison St. Tickets are \$5 per person and can be purchased through Don Beck (648-4609) or Neesa in the church office. (If you prefer, you can simply make a donation to the PCCC for the use of those in the community in need of assistance (includes military families).

10:30 am **Memorial Service for Tom Coffman** will be held in our Sanctuary. Dave Handley and David Forney will be presiding.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Nominating Committee for the church's elders will begin meeting soon in October. The Committee will work on recruiting 8 elders and 1 youth elder. The Committee will also be responsible for recommending an additional member to serve on the Professional Staff Committee. Names for consideration may be submitted to the church office. A form to submit names (green card) is available in the vestibule or outside the church office. PLEASE ask the person's permission before submitting names.

Please continue to pray for our Pastor Nominating Committee who meet weekly and are working diligently! At this time two pastors who are very promising candidates are scheduled to visit in September. Both pastors are prayerfully considering our church as a possibility for their next call.

Advanced Confirmation Class - High School students who have not completed Confirmation and are interested in the program, please join us for Advanced Confirmation. The class began last Sunday and will meet on the 4th floor every other week for a total of 6 classes. Bring an interested friend!

Presbyterian Prayer Chain - If you want to share a concern or celebration with members of our FPC prayer group, contact Ann Waddle (931-624-2597); annwaddle@gmail.com.

Louisiana Saturday Nite, October 19, 5-8:00 pm - Loaves & Fishes will again host this Cajun food and fun night fundraiser to benefit the less fortunate in our community. Tickets (\$10 each) may be purchased through Neesa in the church office, the Loaves & Fishes office, or Jill Crow.

The Pastoral Counseling Center will be hosting an Anniversary Banquet evening honoring the legacy of George Gracey along with celebrating 25 years of hope and healing in Clarksville. It will be held at Madison St. UMC, 319 Madison St. on October 25 with a dinner, live music by Lydia Walker, and a Silent Auction from 6-8 pm. Rev. Gracey was pastor at our church for 31 years. The cost for the event is \$25 per person or \$200 for a table of eight. Reservations must be made in advance. Purchase tickets online at: <http://pcctinc.org/clarksville-25> or send a check made out to PCCT with "Clarksville 25" in the memo line to: Pastoral Counseling Center of Clarksville, 100 Vine Court, Nashville, TN 37205. Deadline for making reservations and purchasing tickets is October 11, 2013. Information on the Pastoral

Counseling Center of Clarksville can be found on www.pcctinc.org or at www.facebook.com/Clarksville. A detailed article was also in the Leaf-Chronicle on Monday, September 16.

SUNDAY SCHOOL APPETIZERS

Session One- What is a Christian?

Week 1 - Sept. 15- "The Book- The Bible: What does it say and how do we use it?" led by Sue Reynolds

Week 2 - Sept. 22, "Servanthood - What do Christians do? Faith vs. Works" led by Rhonda Banasiak

Week 3 - Sept. 29, "Prayer - How do we talk to God?" led by Jane Wallace

Session Two- What is Presbyterian? (Teachers TBA)

Week 1 - Nov. 3, "History- A little bit on Calvin/Luther/John Knox"

Week 2 - Nov. 10, "Polity" (church government)

Week 3 - Nov. 17, "The Sacraments- Baptism and Communion"

Session Three- Heaven or Hell: What is your final destination?- all taught by Rhonda B. based on Erasing Hell by F. Chan and Love Wins by R. Bell

Week 1 - January 12

Week 2 - January 19

Week 3 - January 26

FPC ELDERS

<u>CLASS OF 2013</u>	<u>CLASS OF 2014</u>	<u>CLASS OF 2015</u>
Suella Arrington	Steve Griffey	Arland Batson
Chip Connell	Amy Lewellen	Laura Black
Tom Graves	Susan Marks	Doug Hildreth
Todd Harvey	Ivy Prall	Leong Lee
Janet Hudson	Tom Presler	Tracy Jackson
Karlee Kimmell	Sue Reynolds	Sarah Morgan
Scott Sitter	Ed Ritter	Carolyn Riggins
Marcia Williams	Jane Wallace	Liz Thomas
Denice Williamson		

AUGUST FINANCIAL REPORT

Income for August	\$35,034.94
Expenses for August	<u>\$47,331.32</u>
Net Operating Total for August	-\$12,296.38
Year to date Income	\$362,520.59
Year-to-date Expenses	<u>\$383,395.22</u>
Year to date Operating Total	-\$20,874.63



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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