

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Shelbyville, Tennessee

Service for the Lords Day
8th Sunday after Pentecost

July 31, 2022



Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ!

Summer break is definitely shorter these days! School starts next week; hard to believe. Two things: a thank you and a reminder. Though I did say thank you last week, I want to say thank you again to everyone who participated in Vacation Bible School. We were taken to the Jerusalem Marketplace in story, song, craft, fellowship, recreation, and food. You are amazing! Thank you, First Prez, for making the week so much fun!



Now a reminder about the “Blessing of the Backpacks” this Sunday. If you are a student, teacher, support staff, administrator, etc., please bring your “backpack” to be blessed this Sunday. At the time of the children’s sermon, all the backpacks, briefcases, satchels, whatever you take to school will be blessed in the house of God. Also, remember there is no fifth Sunday lunch after church.

May the rich blessings of peace in our Lord Jesus be with you all,

Jim



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Preparation for Worship (Read before service for quiet meditation):

Anglican preacher and lecturer Rowland Williams (1818-1870) prayed:

"God of Truth, who hast guided (people) in knowledge throughout the ages, and from whom every good thought cometh, help us in our study to use thy gifts of wisdom and knowledge. Let us read good books carefully, and listen to all wise teaching humbly that we may be led into all truth, and strengthened in all goodness of life, to the praise of thy holy name. Amen."

(#1080, The New Book of Christian Prayers, ed. Tony Castle, p. 297)

Prelude "Led By the Master's Hand" Billie Crowell

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Dr. James Moran

Introit "I Love You Lord" Choir

***Call to Worship** (Psalm 107:1-9)

Leader: Our ancestors cried to the Lord in their trouble, and God delivered them from their distress.

People: O give thanks to the Lord, for God is good; God's steadfast love endures forever.

Leader: For God's steadfast love we give thanks to the Lord, for God's wonderful works to humankind.

People: For God satisfies the thirsty, and the hungry God fills with good things.

***Hymn** "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less" # 379

***Call to Confession** (Psalm 103:1-5)

Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless His holy name.

People: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and do not forget all His benefits --

Leader: Who forgives all your iniquity, Who heals all your diseases,

People: Who redeems your life from the Pit, Who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,

Leader: Who satisfies you with good as long as you live so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's. We claim and remember Your benefits, O Lord, and confess our sins:

***Prayer of Confession (unison)**

Almighty God, Source of life and all good, we have stored up treasure that does not last, and filled ourselves with bread that does not sustain. We have looked to other providers, when only You can truly satisfy our deepest hunger and thirst. Forgive us for seeking elsewhere what You have already given us so richly in Jesus our Lord. Stir our hearts by Your Spirit to set our affections on things above, on treasure that last forever. Strip us of whatever separates us from You. Clothe us with the new self so that Christ may be our all in all.

(time of silent confession)

***Assurance of Pardon** (Psalm 103:11-12)

Leader: For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is His love for those who fear Him;

People: As far as the east is from the west, so far has He removed our transgressions from us.

Leader: My friends, believe the good news: through Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

***Gloria Patri**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be world without end. Amen.

***Passing of the Peace**

Leader: May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Please share the peace of Christ with those around you.

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Blessing of the Backpacks for the 2022-2023 School Year

- One: Loving God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ and Giver of the Holy Spirit, send Your mighty blessing upon the beginning of the new school year for our children, youth, young adults.
- All: Bless our children, youth, and young adults as they learn and grow, play sports and music, and participate in classes and clubs.**
- One: Send Your mighty blessing upon the new school year for our teachers, administrators, and support staff. Watch over and protect them in their daily duties. Direct their actions so that they may build up all children in wisdom, knowledge, and character. May they prosper under Your constant watch and guidance.
- All: Bless the school staff in their faithful service of our community. Bless and guide them in their work with our children in building good character and a culture of learning and care for one another.**
- One: As Jesus learned at the feet of his teachers and parents by listening and asking them questions, may our children learn at the feet of gifted, caring teachers. May our children also grow in wisdom and in stature, and in divine and human favor, as Jesus did. (Luke 2:41-52)
- All: Bless all the students, teachers, and school staff with an excitement and joy for the possibilities this year. Keep them safe under the refuge of Your wings.**
- One: In the name of You, our triune God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, we ask Your blessing upon these backpacks that carry their books, notebooks, pens, pencils, crayons, glue sticks, calculators, computers, and everything else for learning. Fill the students with a hunger for knowledge. Guide the teachers and school staff in building supportive relationships with one another and good character within the students. Lead our children to have kind friendships with their peers and caring, curious, and respectful relationships with their teachers and school staff.
- All: Bless this new school year in Bedford County with Your peace and love, O Creator God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Prayer for Illumination

*Gospel Reading	Luke 12:13-21	Page 74, NT Pew Bible
Anthem	"There Is A Redeemer"	Choir
New Testament Reading	Colossians 3:1-11	Page 201, NT Pew Bible
Sermon	"You're Looking Heavenly"	Rev. Jim Moran
*Affirmation of Faith		The Apostles' Creed (p.14, Hymnal)

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.

The Offertory

*Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Hymn

“O for a Closer Walk with God”

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*Charge

(Colossians 3:12, 15, 17)

Leader: Clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience.

People: And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts. And be thankful.

Leader: And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.

*Benediction

(Numbers 6:24-26)

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make His face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up His countenance upon you, and give you peace. Amen.

*Benediction Response

“Three Fold Amen”

Choir



*Flowers were given this week by...
Ginger Shofner & Anne Shofner
in Honor of
Willa Kate's 17th Birthday
and to the Glory of God.*



We Have a “New” Youth Advisor

FPC is thrilled to announce that we have a new staff member!

Jennie Kate (Conley) Pendergrass has agreed to become our new Youth Advisor.

If you are a member of our youth or the parent of a youth, look forward to hearing from Jennie Kate VERY SOON. She will be offering at least one youth activity a month, teaching Sunday School, and be a confidant/mentor/counselor for our youth.

Some of you may remember that Jennie Kate was our youth advisor one summer several years ago. She understands and values the importance of her role.

Thank you, Jennie Kate, and to our youth.... congratulations on landing an amazing leader!!!

Jennie Kate begins her new role on August 1.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Family & Friends of Jim Crabb (Pat Thomas's Brother-in-law)
Lana Craig (Member)
Sandra Crowell (Relative of Donna Sepull)
Evelyn Davidson (Member)
Family & Friends of Virginia Delatorre (Trena Little's sister)
Paige Martin Fague (Friend of Ginger Shofner)
Edwin & Elaine Holcombe (Members)
Fred Hunt (Member)
Tony & Carolyn Matusek (Member)
Blake & Renee Nixon (Friends of Brent & Kate Canady)
Jennie Schutte-Patrick (Bea Marsh's Sister-in-law)
Family & Friends of Jean Stimpson (Charles Stimpson's mother)



LT Andy Canady
(Member)

Airman Chase Blanton
(Member)

Those in Military Service
and their families

Those who are serving
abroad and at home

Names for the Prayer List will remain on the list for 60 days. If you would like someone to remain on the list beyond the 60 days, please contact the church office.

Happy Birthday

August 1st
Marylyn Caperton

August 6th
Randy Reed

August 7th
Bailey Little
Mike Matusek
Molly Jensen



July 31st	Blessing of the Backpacks during worship
August 2nd	AA & Al-Anon Meeting 7:00pm
August 3rd	Blood Drive 10:00am-4:00pm "The Shack" Bible Study 6:00pm
August 4th	AA Meeting 7:00pm
August 5th	AA Meeting 1:00pm
August 9th	AA & Al-Anon Meeting 7:00pm
August 10th	"The Shack" Bible Study 6:00pm
August 11th	AA Meeting 7:00pm
August 12th	AA Meeting 1:00pm
August 14th	Bring your Good Samaritan Donations

If you donated any items to be used for VBS, they are ready to be picked up. All items are in the Chapel. Please stop by and pick up your items as soon as possible. Thank you again for all of your help in making VBS such a huge success.



Sunday, July 31, 2022

Ushers/Greeters

Christy Jensen

Pat Thomas

Richard & Kristin Wilhelm

Flowers: **Ginger Shofner**

A Time for Young Christians

Connie Crafton

Hall Monitor

Pat Marsh

Children's Church

Katherine Marsh

Nursery

Christy Jensen

Sunday, August 7, 2022

Ushers/Greeters

Nancy June Brandon

Belinda Craig

Pat Marsh & Brenda Skelton

Communion Prep: **Helen Garner & Trena Little**

Communion Servers: **Ginger Shofner, Richard Smith, Drew Turner**

Flowers: **James & Lori Smith**

A Time for Young Christians

Pastor Jim

Hall Monitor

Marylyn Caperton

Children's Church

Christy Jensen

Nursery

Lauren Smith

Sunday, August 14, 2022

Ushers/Greeters

Norma Zae Jensen

Charlotte Williams

Terry & Ginny Saylor

Flowers: **Jim & Marylyn Caperton**

A Time for Young Christians

Marylyn Caperton

Hall Monitor

Richard Smith

Children's Church

Belinda Craig

Nursery

Lisa Turner



Shelbyville Community FPC

Blood Drive

August 3, 2022

10:00am – 4:00pm

First Presbyterian Church

600 N. Brittain St.

Shelbyville, TN 37160

Please join us in giving a pint.

The blood supply continues to be low.

For an appointment, please visit redcrossblood.org

And go to Shelbyville Community FPC