

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (8:30) Sam Cooper
(11:00) Sandra Randleman
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OFFERTORY
(8:30) *The Chorister's Prayer* Roland E. Martin

Bless, O Lord,
us thy servants who minister in Thy temple.
Grant that what we sing with our lips
we may believe in our hearts,
and what we believe in our hearts
we may show forth in our lives.
Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen.

(11:00) *Let the People Praise Thee, O God* William Mathias
Let the people praise Thee, O God.
O let the nations rejoice and be glad,
for Thou shalt judge the folk righteously
and govern the nations upon earth.
Then shall the earth bring forth her increase,
and God, even our own God, shall give us His blessing.
God shall bless us, and all the ends of the world shall fear Him.
God be merciful unto us and bless us,
and show us the light of His countenance and be merciful unto us.
That Thy way may be known upon earth,
Thy saving health among all nations. (Psalm 67)
*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.*

*PRESENTATION AND RESPONSE 592 *Doxology* OLD HUNDREDTH

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT 280 AMAZING GRACE
Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION Catherine Foster

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE AR HYD Y NOS
Go, My Children, with My Blessing
**Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone.
Waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are my own,
In my love's baptismal river I have made you mine forever.
Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own.**

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The congregation will be seated for a moment of silent prayer after the Benediction.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY J.S. Bach
Allegro from Trio Sonata No. 6

* — Those who are able, please stand † — Latecomers may be seated
Please silence your cell phone as you enter the sanctuary.

PARTICIPATING IN THE SERVICE
Sam Cooper, Executive Pastor
Catherine Foster, Associate Pastor for Young Adult Ministries
Mark DeVries, Associate Pastor for Youth and Their Families
Stuart Gordon, Associate Pastor for Discipleship
Sandra Randleman, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care and Missions
Courtney Edington, Cross Bearer
Nicholas Bergin, Interim Organist
Rhonda Swanson, Assistant Organist
8:30 Sanctuary Chorale: Keith Moore, conductor
11:00 Sanctuary Choir: Raphael Bundage, conductor
Sunday School Classes Love, Grace and Mercy and Grades 1-5

THE GREAT ENDS OF THE CHURCH ARE: *The Book of Order F-1.0304*
the proclamation of the gospel for the salvation of humankind;
the shelter, nurture, and spiritual fellowship of the children of God;
the maintenance of divine worship;
the preservation of the truth;
the promotion of social righteousness; and
the exhibition of the Kingdom of Heaven to the world.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH extends a warm welcome in the name of Christ to all who worship with us today. If you are interested in joining First Presbyterian Church, please speak to the pastor or elder standing at the left of the pulpit, or you may call the church office during the week.

FLOWERS on the chancel table are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Betty Ann and Walter Keith III by Walter Keith IV, Mary Keith O'Brien, and Samuel McCullough Keith.

CONGRATULATIONS — The First Presbyterian Church family congratulates:

- Ashley and Carter Kaeser, on the birth of their son, Carter Reed Kaeser, born on September 14. Proud Grandparents are Cindy and Bill Core.

SYMPATHY — The First Presbyterian Church family extends sympathy to:

- Barrett Sutton, on the death of his wife, Mary Wade Sutton, who died on September 20. Sympathy also to Mary Ellen Clinton and Bill Wade.

*If any member of the church desires the Christian support of a
Stephen Minister, call Sandra Randleman (298-9502).
Stephen Ministers are trained lay ministers of the church.*

YOUNG CHILDREN & WORSHIP is a ministry of worship preparation for young children and their parents. Parents and their children who are age 4 or 5 by September 1, 2012 are invited to participate (this includes children in the Faith, Hope, Love, and Mercy Sunday School classes). This ministry is offered during both 8:30 and 11:00 worship services and meets in Room CW-110, which is located in the Children's Ministry wing. Please reference the worship bulletin to know when to exit the sanctuary. We ask that children who are attending for the first time be accompanied by a parent. Please visit the church web site to enroll your child in YC&W. Contact Deb O'Brien (dobrien@fpcnashville.org) with questions.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL AND NURSERY — Sunday School meets from 9:45 to 10:45 every Sunday. Guests can find assistance in locating a class for your child at the Welcome Desk in the Children's Ministry Wing (Ages 3-6) and at the Welcome Cart at the top of C-Wing in Oak Hill School (children entering 1st-6th grades). Nursery care for children 6 weeks to age 3 is available during both worship services and Sunday School. Check-in at the Welcome Desk in the Children's Ministry Wing.

BEREAVEMENT VISITATION COMMITTEE — The Bereavement Visitation Committee is looking for volunteers. For more information, please call Katie Sue Ford (376-3490 or ksford@comcast.net).

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each Sunday on WAMB 1200 AM

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE



September 30, 2012

The Mission of First Presbyterian Church
To know Christ, to make Him known, and to exhibit His love
through worship, education, and service.

**SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
SYMPHONY OF SERVICE SUNDAY**

8:30 and 11:00 AM

GATHERING

OPENING SENTENCES Catherine Foster

OPENING VOLUNTARY J.S. Bach
Largo from Trio Sonata No. 2

INTROIT (11:00) *I Was Glad* Gwendolyn Emery-Owings

Choir: I was glad when they said unto me,
Let us go to the house of the Lord;

**Congregation: I was glad when they said unto me,
Let us go to the house of the Lord;**

Choir: As father and mother, sister and brother,
come to worship, all together.

I was glad when they said unto me,
Let us go to the house of the Lord;

**Congregation: I was glad when they said unto me,
Let us go to the house of the Lord;**

Choir: As father and mother, sister and brother,
sing God's praises all together.

I was glad when they said unto me,
Let us go to the house of the Lord;

**Congregation: I was glad when they said unto me,
Let us go to the house of the Lord;**

Choir: As father and mother, sister and brother
join at the table, all together,

I was glad when they said unto me,
Let us go to the house of the Lord;

**Congregation: I was glad when they said unto me,
Let us go to the house of the Lord;**

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*CALL TO WORSHIP Stuart Gordon

Leader: There is one body and one Spirit

People: Just as we were called to the one hope of our calling

Leader: One Lord, one faith, one baptism

People: One God and Father of us all.

Leader: United in ministry, let us build up the body of Christ.

People: Let us worship the Lord our God together.

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 442 AURELIA
The Church's One Foundation

†WELCOME AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR DISCIPLESHIP Catherine Foster

MINUTE FOR MISSION Nathan Brandon

CALL TO CONFESSION Stuart Gordon

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Heavenly Father,
we praise You for adopting us as Your children
and making us heirs of eternal life.**

**In Your mercy You have washed us from our sins
and made us clean in Your sight.**

**Yet we still fail to love You as we should
and serve You as we ought.**

**Forgive us our sins and renew us by Your grace,
that we may continue to grow as members of Christ,
in whom alone is our salvation.**

SILENT CONFESSION

LORD, HAVE MERCY *Kyrie Eleison*



Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have - mer - cy; Lord, - have - mer - cy.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *Gloria Patri* Hymn 579

THE WORD

ANTHEM PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS
Make Me a Channel of Your Peace Sebastian Temple

Make me a channel of your peace.

Where there is hatred, let me bring Your love.

Where there is injury, Your pardon, Lord,
and where there's doubt, true faith in You.

Make me a channel of Your peace.

Where there is darkness, only light,
and where there's sadness, ever joy.

Oh, Master, grant that I may never seek so much
to be consoled as to console.

To be understood as to understand,
to be loved as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of your peace.

It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
in giving of ourselves that we receive,
and in dying that we're born to eternal life.

‡ Children ages 4 and 5 are invited to *Young Children and Worship*
in Room CW-110.

‡HYMN OF PREPARATION 522 (seated) LAND OF REST
Lord, When I Came Into This Life

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Catherine Foster

**God, source of all light,
by Your Word You give light to the soul.**

**Pour out upon us
the spirit of wisdom and understanding
that, being taught by You in Holy Scripture,
our hearts and minds may be opened to know the things
that pertain to life and holiness;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE READINGS

John 6:22-35, *page 98*
Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-16, *page 193*

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON Catherine Foster

Growing Up Into Christ

RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

CELEBRATION OF MINISTRIES (8:30) Sam Cooper
(11:00) Sandra Randleman

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. The mission of First Presbyterian Church is to know Christ, to make Him known, and to exhibit His love through worship, education and service. Today we celebrate the many ways that God has called and equipped us to participate in this ministry.

Education Ministries: (8:30) Catherine Davis
(11:00) Marbut Gaston

Leader: Those who have served any way in the education ministry, such as: senior adults', adults', youth, and children's Sunday school, circle, VBS, Bible studies, committee members, Wednesday night leaders, please stand and remain standing. Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

All: We will prepare each other to become equipped to serve God, love others, and witness to the world that Jesus Christ is Lord.

Congregational Care Ministries: (8:30) Charlie Bryan Sr.
(11:00) Weeza Swain

Leader: Those who have served in any way, such as: committee members, parish leaders, Career Transition Network, Stephen Ministry, Home Partners, please stand and remain standing. Share with God's people who are in need. Practice hospitality. Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn.

All: We will encourage and support each other throughout our life experiences; we will warmly welcome with hospitality all who enter our doors.

Local and World Missions: (8:30) Steve Butler
(11:00) Brenda Dowdle

Leader: Those who have served in any way, such as: Cuba, Jamaica, Haiti, East Africa mission trips, youth mission trips, Habitat, Serving Together, Room in the Inn, committee members, please stand and remain standing. Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.

All: We will encourage each other to be active in personal and local evangelism; we will provide generous financial and prayer support for missionaries and mission causes; we will challenge each other to make commitments in short-term and long-term mission causes.

Worship/Music Ministries: (8:30) Bill Henderson
(11:00) Lindsay Ison

Leader: Those who have served in any way, such as: choir, ushers, communion preparation and service, cross bearers, baptism buddies, flower committee, bereavement, liturgist, committee members, and those who attend worship, please stand and remain standing. Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the Lord our Maker; for He is our God and we are the people of His pasture, the flock under His care.

All: We will gather to express awe, gratitude and praise to our Lord.