



APRIL 21, 2013
SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
8:30 and 11:00 AM

GATHERING

OPENING SENTENCES

Todd Jones

†VOLUNTARY

Traditional Irish Melody
setting by David Schwoebel

Be Thou My Vision

*CALL TO WORSHIP

(8:30) Sam Cooper
(11:00) Mark DeVries

Pastor: But now thus says the Lord,
He who created you, O Jacob,

People: He who formed you, O Israel:

Pastor: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;

**People: I have called you by name,
you are mine.**

Pastor: When you pass through the waters,
I will be with you;

**People: and through the rivers,
they shall not overwhelm you;**

Pastor: when you walk through the fire
you shall not be burned,

People: and the flame shall not consume you.

(Isaiah 43:1-2)

†*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 477

HANOVER

Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim

†WELCOME AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR DISCIPLESHIP

Todd Jones

CALL TO CONFESSION

(8:30) Sam Cooper
(11:00) Mark DeVries

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God,

**Who alone possesses the power to give us life,
we confess how many times we have scorned Your gifts.**

We find our hearts burdened

**with the memory of days refused or lost
because we failed to see or did not understand
the opportunities that lay in them.**

We confess the many ways

in which we have failed to walk in Your ways:

vows we have made and forgotten,

time we have frittered away,

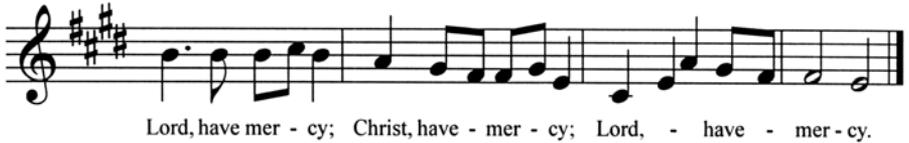
higher purposes we have left behind

for the pursuit of selfish gain.

We confess as well all the goodness which we have received
 without giving thanks,
 all the beauties of this fair world which we have ignored,
 all the love given to us which we have taken for granted.
 O God, ever more willing to forgive
 and to give to us more than we desire or deserve,
 come with forgiving grace and heal us,
 and make us wholly Yours.
 Through Jesus Christ our Lord we pray.
 Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

LORD, HAVE MERCY *Kyrie Eleison*



ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *Gloria Patri* Hymn 579

THE WORD AND SACRAMENT

~ Children are invited to come to the front for the baptism. ~

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

(8:30)

Todd Jones

Lindsay and Ryan Jacobs are presenting their son, Benjamin Aaron
 Jacobs, for baptism. Assisting Elder: Lattie Brown

†HYMN FOR BAPTISM

TALLIS' CANON



ANTHEM (11:00)

Benjamin Britten

Spring Carol
 (from Ceremony of Carols)

Pleasure it is to hear iwis, the birdès sing.
 The deer in the dale, the sheep in the vale,
 The corn springing.
 God's purvayance for sustenance,
 It is for man, it is for man.
 Then we always to give Him praise,
 And thank him than.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**Blessed Lord,
who caused all holy scriptures to be written for our learning:
Grant us so to hear them,
read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them,
that we may embrace and ever hold fast
the blessed hope of everlasting life,
which You have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ.
Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Old Testament: Ezekiel 37:1-14, *page 806*

New Testament: Acts 9:36-43, *page 128*

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

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

‡HYMN OF PREPARATION 314 (seated)

BRIDEGROOM

Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song

SERMON

Todd Jones

Life is Stronger Than Death

RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

(8:30) Catherine Foster

(11:00) Stuart Gordon

The Apostles' Creed (Traditional) Hymnal Page 14

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

(8:30)

(Traditional - debts)

Hymnal Page 16

COMMISSIONING OF THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC CLEAN WATER
AND CUBA MISSION TEAMS and THE LORD'S PRAYER

(11:00)

OFFERTORY

(8:30)

Paul Basler

The Lord is My Shepherd

The Lord is my shepherd;

I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:

He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul:

He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I will fear no evil:

For Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table for me in the presence of my enemies:

Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:

and I will dwell in the house of the Lord.

(11:00)

arr. Daniel Nelson

Wherever I May Wander

Wherever I may wander, wherever I may be,
I'm certain of my Maker's love; God's care is over me.
God made the great high mountains, and made the wide blue sea;
God made the sky with birds that fly; God made the world, and me.
Throughout the whole creation, I see God's loving care
For everyone in every land, God's children everywhere.

*PRESENTATION AND RESPONSE *Doxology* OLD HUNDREDTH

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT 151 DIADEMATA

Crown Him with Many Crowns

*CHARGE AND BLESSING Todd Jones

*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

Christ ist erstanden
(Christ is Arisen)

* — Those who are able, please stand† — Latecomers may be seated

Please silence your cell phone as you enter the sanctuary.

PARTICIPATING IN THE SERVICE

Todd Jones, Pastor

Sam Cooper, Executive Pastor

Catherine Foster, Associate Pastor for Young Adult Ministry

Mark DeVries, Associate Pastor for Youth and Their Families

Stuart Gordon, Associate Pastor for Discipleship

Sandra Randleman,

Associate Pastor for Congregational Care and Mission

Cross Bearer: Jori Graeff

Candle Bearer: Will Brim

Baptism Buddy: (8:30) Max Bostelman

Nicholas Bergin, Organist

Rhonda Swanson, Assistant Organist

Bellissima Handbell Choir, Bekah Caruso and Susan DeVries, directors;

Peggy Naifeh, flute

(8:30) Sanctuary Chorale: Keith Moore, conductor;

Eric Near, French Horn

(11:00) Sanctuary Choir: Raphael Bundage, conductor; Doxology and

Psalmody Youth Choir: Carol McClure, director

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.

WORSHIP REGISTRATION PADS — Whether you are a first-time visitor or a long-time member, you can help us plan ministries by signing the worship registration pad, placed at the aisle end of your pew.

FLOWERS on the chancel table are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of their mothers, Kathryn Jorgenson and Gloria Jones, by Patricia and Brian Jorgenson.

SYMPATHY — The First Presbyterian Church family extends sympathy to:

- Phil Krebs, on the death of his mother, Lois Richey Krebs, who died on April 10. Sympathy also to grandchildren: Elizabeth, Mary Lindsay, Jonathan, Philip and Sally Krebs.
- Emmy and Doug Phillips and Vickie and Ham Frost, Jr. on the death of Emmy and Ham's mother, Emma Keith Frost, who died on April 11. Sympathy also to Dianne and Eric Rosenberry, Ellielyn Frost, Lewis Frost and Mechel and Mark Frost.

*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.

LIVING WATERS FOR THE WORLD TEAM: TRIP DATES APRIL 27 – MAY 3

Mike Crout, John Gillespie, Donna Houston (KY), Deb and Mike O'Brien.

CUBA CHOIR TEAM: TRIP DATES MAY 3 – MAY 10, 2013

Nick Bergin, Raphael Bundage, Diane English, Larry English, Jaylon Fincannon, Judy Fincannon, Stuart Gordon, Bill Kirby, Susan Kirby, Libby Marley, Keith Moore, Mike and Pam Shampain.

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 website to enroll your child in YC&W. Contact Deb O'Brien (dobrien@fpcnashville.org) with questions.

MOTHER AND INFANT QUIET ROOM — Mothers of infants who need a quiet place for nursing or calming babies are welcome to use the Quiet Room. An audio feed of the worship service is provided. Check in with Karen Fitts in the Nursery to see if the Quiet Room is available for your use.

JOIN US FOR COFFEE & DONUTS — As is our Sunday morning custom, the First Presbyterian Church family gathers for a time of informal fellowship each Sunday between worship services in Courtenay Hall. Please join us downstairs this morning for coffee and doughnuts.

ASSISTANCE FOR THOSE WITH DISABILITIES — Hearing devices, large-print hymnals, large-print bulletins, and large-print Bibles are available for worship and are located in the narthex on the table on the right side as you enter the front doors. If anyone has a need or disability requiring assistance or accommodation for any church activity, please contact the church office (383-1815).

A/V OF WORSHIP AVAILABLE — The audio-video transfer of Sunday morning worship services is available in Courtenay Hall for your convenience.

OFFICER PRAYER TIME — Prayer requests for our congregation can be submitted to the church officers by filling out prayer request cards and depositing them in the Prayer Request Boxes, located in the narthex on the southeast wall and at the Welcome Center. Prayer request cards can be found in a rack attached to the Prayer Request Box. Officers meet each Wednesday at 4:30 P.M. in the Bryant Conference Room to lift up prayer requests to God.

ADDRESS CHANGE? — Change of address cards are available in the pew rack. Please inform the church of any change in your address and/or telephone number by completing a form and placing it in the collection plate.

SERMONS preached at First Presbyterian Church are published weekly. You can log on to the church website (www.fpcnashville.org) to listen to an audio version or read a printed version of the sermon. Printed copies of the sermon can also be found in literature areas of the church (in the narthex and Welcome Center).



FEELING THE HEAT? ICE CREAM'S-A-COMING — Do you make an ice cream flavor that your family and friends rave about? Or are you just an ice cream aficionado? Either way, you'll want to buy a ticket to attend the annual Martha O'Bryan Ice Cream Summer Social to be held on the FPC campus on Sunday, June 9, beginning at 3:00 P.M. Sign-ups for Crankers and ticket sales begin in Courtenay Hall on May 12 (a unique Mother's Day gift). Employers, these tickets make a fun morale booster for employees. If interested in ordering a large quantity for this purpose, contact Patricia Heim in the Missions Office (pheim@fpcnashville.org or 298-9593).

TOWN HALL MEETING — The Long Range Planning Committee invites all members, visitors and regular participants to attend a Town Hall Meeting on Monday, May 13, at 5:30 P.M. to discuss the new vision and strategic priorities that will guide our church over the next five years. Dinner is available for \$8; please make dinner reservations with Ginny Tindle (383-1815) by Wednesday, May 1.



GREEN HILLS MOBILE MEALS NEEDS VOLUNTEER DRIVERS — Route three is now delivering six meals each day. You may volunteer as a regular driver (one weekday a month) or as a substitute driver. Please call Carolyn Gustafson (373-0455) with questions or to volunteer.

DINNER AROUND THE POOL WITH THE PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN — Celebrate the past and future leadership on Tuesday, May 14, at 6:00 P.M. at the home of Dana & Johnny Atkins (1135 Gateway Lane). Tickets are \$15 per person and all are welcome.



EASTER

Wednesdays

EASTER WEDNESDAYS PROGRAMS

HAVE BEGUN — View full program information as well as register for dinner and programs online (fpcnashville.org/congregation/wednesday-nights/), or by calling the church (383-1815). Please remember to make new or cancel existing dinner reservations no later than noon on Monday of the week.



WEDNESDAY NIGHT — The menu for April 24 is smothered pork chops, fried apples, turnip greens, white beans, corn bread, cake and strawberries. The option of a plain piece of baked chicken and/or a baked Irish or sweet potato is available by contacting Carl (cwomack@fpcnashville.org or 298-9514).

STUDY/DISCUSSION GROUPS

NEW CLASS: THE NEXT LEVEL — In April and May, the Logos Sunday School class will study Christian living after Easter, after the resurrection, given the promise of resurrection and the gift of the Spirit. The class meets in the Stanford Chapel from 10:00-10:40 A.M., and is led by Associate Pastor for Discipleship, Stuart Gordon.

JUNE RAMSEY CLASS — Dr. David Michelson will speak in the June Ramsey Class on early Christianity today on “*Christians and Romans after the New Testament*” and April 28 on “*The Lost History of Christianity in the Middle East and Asia.*” The class begins at 9:45 A.M. in the living room of the Cheek House. Everyone is welcome.

For full listing of classes, please visit our website or pick up an Adult Education brochure from the church literature areas.

HOME PARTNER MINISTRY is a rewarding ministry that offers an opportunity for the joy of new friendships. A Home Partner is a volunteer who makes visits to a church member who lives in a retirement home or at home and is unable to regularly attend church services because of health concerns. A Home Partner is asked to visit one church member once a month and to extend the care and concern of our church. Home Partners have the joy of delivering an Easter flower and a Christmas poinsettia, on behalf of the church. If you would like to serve as a Home Partner or if you know someone who would like to receive a visit from a Home Partner, contact Sandra (srandleman@fpcnashville.org or 298-9502).

CAREER TRANSITION NETWORK — Join us for an interactive networking event on Tuesdays, 8:00-9:30 A.M. in the Bryant Conference Room. The Network is a guided exchange with career transitioning professionals sharing ideas, contacts, information and free career search tools and resources. Come learn about our LinkedIn group, our Email Job Blast and more. Bring a stack of business cards! For more information, contact Bill Kirby (billkirbyjr@gmail.com or 364-8286).

DID YOU KNOW... FPC is one of 176 congregations who participated in Room In The Inn this past winter? Did you know over 880 meals were provided by our congregation and its members throughout the 21 weeks of the season? Did you know that over 290 men received a warm night's shelter from the cold, were able to take a hot shower and leave the next morning with clean washed clothes? Did you know that over 300 FPC members gave the simple gift of time during the months of November-March to care for the least of these? Pray about how you can join this ministry of service. Learn more at www.missions.fpcnashville.org.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR LUNCH MINISTRY OUTREACH — FPC provides volunteers to serve lunch to Nashville's homeless in the downtown area on the second Wednesday of each month at the Downtown Presbyterian Church (corner of 5th Avenue North and Church Street) from 11:30 A.M.–1:15 P.M. Volunteers are needed for June 12, July 10, August 14 and September 11. Parking is free at surface lots across from the church.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES AT SAFE HAVEN FAMILY SHELTER — Looking for a volunteer opportunity to share with your family, a group of families, or a group of friends? Contact Mary Earthman (mearthman@bellsouth.net or 665-8845) to sign up to provide dinner on June 3, August 5 and October 7 for 10-25 residents of the only shelter serving homeless families in Nashville. The shelter located on 3rd Avenue South.

JULY 2013 EAST AFRICA FAMILY MISSION TRIP — July 17-August 2. Construction work on churches/schools and visits to mission projects are supported by FPC in both Kenya and Rwanda. Kenyan safari is included. Children must be age 12 to participate. Vaccinations required. Cost is \$5,000; \$1,500 deposit and copy of your passport due NOW. Only 2 spaces remain. Dr. Bob LaGrone and Rev. Sandra Randleman are trip leaders. First paid, first reserved.

NOVEMBER 2013 DOMINICAN REPUBLIC MISSION TRIP — November 2-8. Medical personnel to offer services in local clinic and neighborhood locations; non-medical participants needed to assist in processing patients. Cost is \$1,400; \$800 deposit and copy of your passport due June 1. Drs. Jim Cato and Betsy Triggs are trip leaders.

MISSION TRIP SCHOLARSHIP ASSISTANCE — Scholarship assistance is available for FPC members to participate in any FPC-sponsored mission trip. Contact Sandra Randleman (srandleman@fpcnashville.org or 298-9502) to submit a request.

For more information or to sign-up, contact 298-9593, adultmissions@fpcnashville.org or visit our registration page: missions.fpcnashville.org/missions/register.

FIRST FRIENDS ANNOUNCEMENTS

First Friends Celebrates Older Adult Week:

- **Tuesday, May 7, 1:00 P.M.** — Carol Penterman with Interim Healthcare will speak on "Brain Fitness" in Vance Hall.
- **Thursday, May 9, 9:00 A.M. to noon** — *Antique Appraisal* with our own Berenice Denton. There is a \$5 per item charge and a two-item limit per person. The event will be in Courtenay Hall and is open to everyone. **Reservations are not needed for either event.**

• **NOTE:** Seats are still available for the Chicago trip (May 27-31). In addition, partial scholarships have become available through our newly established Older Adult Travel Scholarship Fund. See Brenda Geise for information.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY AND NURSERY

MILESTONES:

■ **5th Grade Field Trip** — On Sunday, April 29, 9:45 A.M.-1:45 P.M., the 5th grade class will visit Downtown Presbyterian Church to gain an understanding about their heritage and the beginnings of the Presbyterian church in Nashville. Fifth graders will eat lunch at the church following the visit. Parents are welcome to join the field trip. Sign up and permission slip are on the 5th grade web page.

■ **Confirmation Session Examination and Celebration Lunch: Sunday, May 5, noon-1:30 P.M.** — Confirmands will meet with Session Elders to complete their Session examination; 6th grade parents hear a message from the Youth Department, and a celebration lunch for confirmation families follows. Reservations for the lunch can be done on the Confirmation website page.

■ **Celebration of the Arts** — Early Preschoolers bring their families to share selected artwork and participate in art activity stations. Silent Auction will benefit Early Preschool's Scholarship Fund.

■ **Have you signed up your child for Vacation Bible School?** Now is the time! Registration is online.

YOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

As the Youth Department has evaluated the trends of students' faith progressions, we've found that worshipping as a family plays a vital role in preparing a student for a sustainable faith. In fact, the #1 commonality between students who develop a lifelong faith is that they consistently attended worship with their parents. That being said, in the month of April we are initiating an experiment — what would families look like if they committed to being in church 4 weeks in a row? How would Sunday lunch look different? What conversations might happen on the way home from school that next Tuesday? We believe worship to be foundational to our students' lives, and we believe that parents are the biggest influences and examples in our students' lives. We're asking every FPC parent to commit to bring their family to worship in the month of April, and to pay attention to the movements of the Holy Spirit in doing so.

■ **Sunday School: Go Big!** — Grades 7-12 will meet at 9:40 A.M. in the Gathering Place for all of Sunday School.

■ **Save the Date: Senior Banquet on April 29** — Parents, if you haven't RSVP'd, please do so!

■ **Great Escape (Rising 7th and 8th Grade) June 10-15** — Lee University in Cleveland, Tennessee, is the location for the Junior High Great Escape, the oldest middle school youth conference in the country. During the week on campus, rising 7th and 8th graders will enjoy outdoor games and activities, fun and engaging speakers, worship, great music and self-reflection before spending a day rafting the Ocoee River on the way back to Nashville. Contact Brandon Van Pernis (bvanpernis@fpcnashville.org) for more information.

■ **New Orleans (Rising 9th and 11th Grade) June 16-21** — Join your friends for a week of missions in the unique southern city of New Orleans, rich with American South, European and Caribbean influences. Though Hurricane Katrina was five years

ago, residents are still fighting their way back from its devastation. During our time there, we'll do a variety of work such as demolition, rebuilding, outdoor yard and park cleanup and relational work with adults and children. Throughout the week, we'll also enjoy some of the sights, foods and opportunities that make New Orleans the special place it is. Contact Millie Ledbetter (mledbetter@fpcnashville.org) for more information.

■ **Youth Newsletter:** If your family isn't receiving the monthly Youth Newsletter in your email, contact Millie (mledbetter@fpcnashville.org or 298-9570).

YOUNG ADULT ANNOUNCEMENTS

■ **FPC Young Professionals** are young adults in their 20s and 30s who worship, learn and serve at First Presbyterian Church. Young Professionals includes those who are single, married and divorced, who do not have children and who are either working in a career or studying toward a post-graduate degree. In the next few months, there will be a NEW Young Adult Sunday School class specifically designed for Young Professionals.



■ **"The 5:30"** meets each Sunday from 5:30-6:45 P.M. in the Gathering Place and features in-depth Biblical teaching and contemporary worship music. This week, the 5:30 will welcome guest preacher Nathan Brandon. Young adults go out to dinner together after the service. Our next Soup Night will be April 28.



■ **2013 Summer College Mission Trip** — Join fellow college students for a memorable week of service and fellowship in New Orleans (June 16-21). Our work team will be lead by Mark DeVries and evening programming by Adam DeVries ... a stellar duo! For registration and more details, visit college.fpcnashville.org/college-mission-2013-new-orleans.

■ **Young Adult Small Group (ages 22 to 35)** meets Tuesdays from 7:00-8:00 P.M., at the home of Rachel and Lipscomb Davis (3703B Woodmont Boulevard). The group is currently studying *The New Testament from Scratch*. Newcomers are welcome anytime!

■ **Be in Touch!** Please update your or your adult child's contact information under the "Register" tab of our webpage: ya.fpcnashville.org.

■ **Find us on the web** — Young Adult webpage (ya.fpcnashville.org), College webpage (college.fpcnashville.org) and Facebook pages (FPC Nashville Young Adults & FPC College Students) to get more involved in our Young Adult Ministry.

■ **Sunday School Classes (meet at 9:45 A.M.):**

- **Alethia** — Participants are age 18-25. Meets in the Tyne House.
- **Connections** — Participants are an intentional mix of age 18 to late 30s who are single, married, divorced, studying, working, parenting, etc. Meets in the Bryant Conference Room/MW-201 (Ministry Wing).
- **Foundations** — Participants are married couples age mid-20s to mid-30s. Meets in EC-101 (Enrichment Center lower level).
- **Friends in Faith** — Participants are primarily married couples age 30s and early 40s. Meets in L-201 (Oak Hill School upper level).

For more information about FPC's young adult ministry, email Catherine Foster (cfoster@fpcnashville.org). For college ministry, email Linda Morphis (lmorphis@fpcnashville.org).

NOTES

The Mission of First Presbyterian Church

To know Christ, to make Him known, and to exhibit His love through worship, education, and service.

First Presbyterian Church

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each Sunday on WAMB 1200 AM