OCTOBER 4, 2015
WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY
SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY
8:30 and 11:00 AM

GATHERING

OPENING SENTENCES  Todd Jones

†VOLUNTARY  Jean Langlais

Prélude Modal

*CALL TO WORSHIP  (8:30) Sam Cooper
(11:00) Sandra Randleman
Leader: 8:30 spoken in Russian; 11:00 spoken in Swahili
Pastor: What shall we render to the Lord for all His benefits to us?
People: We will take the cup of salvation and call upon the name of the Lord.

Leader: 8:30 spoken in Kinyarwandan; 11:00 spoken in Spanish
Pastor: Christ, our Passover, is sacrificed for us.
Therefore, let us keep the feast!
People: O taste and see that the Lord is good!
Blessed is the one who trusts in Him!

†*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 1  NICAEA

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

†WELCOME AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR DISCIPLESHIP  Todd Jones

CALL TO CONFESSION  (8:30) Sam Cooper
(11:00) Sandra Randleman

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God: from the ends of the earth
You have gathered us around Christ’s holy table.
Still, we cling to divisive ways.
Forgive, we pray, everything that keeps us apart:
when our pride prevents us from making peace,
when our stubbornness keeps us from saying, “I was wrong,”
when our prejudices keep us from listening and learning,
when our fears bind us and keep us from going forth into Your kingdom of peace.
Merciful God, forgive us.
Give to us a new and a right spirit,
that we may break bread together – truly together –
and so testify to Jesus Christ as Lord of all.
SILENT CONFESSION

LORD, HAVE MERCY  

Kyrie Eleison

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE  
Gloria Patri

THE WORD AND SACRAMENT

CHILDREN’S TIME  
Todd Jones

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION  
Todd Jones

Gracious God,
we do not live by bread alone,
but by every word that comes from Your mouth.
Make us hungry for this heavenly food,
that it may nourish us today
in the ways of eternal life;
through Jesus Christ, the bread of heaven. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Old Testament: Psalm 46, page 517
New Testament: John 16:24-33, page 111

Pastor:  The Word of the Lord.
People:  Thanks be to God.

SERMON  
Todd Jones

Successful Living: Living in the Light of Jesus’ Promise

RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH  
Stuart Gordon

The Apostles’ Creed (Traditional)  
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OFFERTORY  
William Mathias

(8:30)  
Make a Joyful Noise Unto the Lord

Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands.
Serve the Lord with gladness;
Come before His presence with singing.
Know ye that the Lord He is God:
it is He that hath made us, and not we ourselves:
we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.
Enter into His gates with thanksgiving,
and into His courts with praise:
be thankful unto Him and bless His name.
For the Lord is good, His mercy is everlasting
and His truth endureth to all generations. Amen.
Kyrie eleison                             Lord, have mercy.
Christe eleison                          Christ, have mercy.
Kyrie eleison                             Lord, have mercy.

*PRESENTATION AND RESPONSE                  Doxology          OLD HUNDREDTH

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER
INVITATION TO THE TABLE

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SURSUM CORDA (Lift Up Your Hearts)

Leader
\[\text{The Lord be with you. And also with you. Lift up, lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord. Let us all give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give God thanks and praise.}\]

Leader

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

THE LORD’S PRAYER (debts)        Hymnal Page 35
(English, 8:30 Mandarin, 11:00 Russian)

SERVING OF THE ELEMENTS

If able, please hold the cup until all have been served.
A pastor will offer gluten-free bread to any who need it.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT 853

We Are Marching in the Light of God
(Choir sings Zulu first time)
(Congregation sings English second time)
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 Congregational Response.

*— 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
Stuart Gordon, Associate Pastor for Discipleship
Sandra Randleman,
Associate Pastor for Congregational Care and Missions
Flag Bearers – Anna Brock, Caroline Bryan, Wesley Carlton,
Analise Gibbs, Carter Gold, Pierce Hill, Cabot Hyde, Matthew Hyde,
James Johnson, Jack Keller, Miller Kress, Fred Peters,
Wilson Ridenoir, Sabrina Russell, Jackson Stone and Marshall Wilt
Sloan Rogers, Cross Bearer
Call to Worship:
8:30 Olga Kraviso, Ebralie Mwizerwa,
11:00 William Mwizerwa, Brandon Van Pernis
Lord’s Prayer:
8:30 Fragrance Lin
11:00 Marina Kaboulov
Raphael Bundage, Director of Music
Nicholas Bergin, Organist
Rhonda Swanson, Assistant Organist
Keith Moore, Sanctuary Chorale Conductor
MTSU Percussion Ensemble, Lalo Davila, 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 celebration of the marriage of Kelly Brown Taylor and Christopher David Parlier, and in memory of their fathers, Kenneth Roger Parlier and Thomas W. Taylor; Kelly’s grandfather, Charles Gray Moore, and in honor of her grandmother, June Moore.
SYMPATHY — The First Presbyterian Church family extends sympathy to Becky and Stuart Campbell, on the death of Becky’s mother, Grace ‘Susie’ Sims Irvin, who died on September 15. Sympathy also to Amy & Matt Pearson and Campbell, Mattie Grace and Bailey Pearson; Lauren & Matt Hancock and Ella and Sims Hancock; and Molly Campbell.

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 — 8:30 and 11:00 in Room CW-110 (located in the Children’s Ministry wing). Please reference the worship bulletin to know when to exit the sanctuary. Parents and their children who are age 4, 5 or 6 (not in 1st grade) by August 15, 2015, are invited. Please visit our website to enroll or contact Deb O’Brien (dobrien@fpcnashville.org).

CHILDREN’S SUNDAY SCHOOL AND NURSERY — Nursery care for children six weeks to three years is available during 8:30 & 11:00 worship services and Sunday School from 9:45 – 10:45. Guests can visit the Children’s Welcome Center for more information.

HOLY COMMUNION will be observed TODAY, at the 8:30, 11:00 A.M. and 5:30 P.M. worship services. Prepare your hearts to celebrate this sign of Christ’s love and grace.

JOIN US FOR COFFEE & DONUTS — Please join us each Sunday between services downstairs in Courtenay Hall for coffee and donuts.

ASSISTANCE FOR THOSE WITH DISABILITIES — If anyone has a need or disability requiring assistance or accommodation for any church activity, please contact the church office (615-383-1815).

A/V OF WORSHIP AVAILABLE — Worship service in Courtenay Hall has the audio-video transfer for each of the Sunday morning worship services.

OFFICER PRAYER TIME — Prayer request cards can be found in a rack attached to the Prayer Request Box.

SERMONS preached weekly can be found on our website (fpcnashville.org).

THE FIVE THIRTY — Rev. Keith Gunter from New Creation, our church plant in Hendersonville, teaches tonight.

CAREER TRANSITION NETWORK — Tuesdays, 8:00 – 9:30 A.M. in the Bryant Conference Room. Contact Bill Kirby (billkirbyjr@gmail.com).

A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING has been called for Sunday, October 11, following both worship services. The purpose of the meeting is to vote on the slate of candidates presented by the Officer Nominating Committee.

NEW LUNCHTIME STUDIES BEGIN IN OCTOBER — Beginning the week of October 4, Associate Pastor Stuart Gordon will lead lunchtime discussions of The Road to Character on Mondays in Maryland Farms, Wednesdays in Green Hills and Fridays downtown. If you are interested in the discussion, contact Stuart (sgordon@fpcnashville.org or 615-298-9554).
**Today: Dedicate Our 2015 Habitat Home** — Join us for a 2:00 P.M. dedication ceremony with Germanie Prophete and her family to celebrate the completion of the home built by FPC members and friends. The home is located at 463 Monticello Street, 37207, with parking at Haynes Middle School on West Trinity Lane, just off the I-65N interchange. Let’s make this place their home!

**You Can Save a Life, Donate Blood** — Sunday, November 1, in the Enrichment Center. Appointments may be scheduled on FPC’s website or between services in Courtenay Hall.

**Keep Someone Warm This Winter** — Our winter shelter ministry with Room In The Inn begins November 4. Sign-ups are available in Courtenay Hall for every Wednesday night during the months November – March. FPC members serve as van driver, overnight host, food donors and laundry volunteers.

**Missions Ministry**

- **Mission Trip Scholarship Assistance** — Scholarship assistance is available for FPC members to participate in any FPC-sponsored mission trip. Contact Sandra Randleman (615-298-9502 or srandleman@fpcnashville.org) to submit a request.

- **February 2016 Jamaica Mission Trip** — February 13-20; construction work; dentists to see local patients; food sustainability project development; educational assistance with church-related schools and development of church partner relationship. Cost is $1,400; $800 deposit and copy of your passport due NOW. Craig Buffkin and Nathan Brandon are trip leaders.

- **February 2016 Cuba Mission Trip** — February 18-26; relational visits with partner church and other ministries in Cuba. Cost is $2,000; $1,000 deposit and copy of your passport name page due NOW. Pam and Mike Shampain are trip leaders.

- **Mission Trip Registration** — Register from the church’s website (www.fpcnashville.org) or contact Patricia Heim in the Missions office (615-298-9593 or pheim@fpcnashville.org).

**Children’s Ministry and Nursery**

*All registrations are available on the Children’s page of the website.*

- **Children’s Sunday School Today** from 9:45 – 10:45 A.M. For information or assistance, visit the Hospitality Center Desk outside the Children’s Ministry Wing or the Hospitality Cart in the Oak Hill School C-Wing.

- **Milestone Celebration** for three-year-olds and their parents today during the Sunday School hour. Children will receive a Bible during this special celebration.
Wednesday Night Programs Continue! Way of the Child and Choir groups for ages four years – sixth grade will meet from 6:00 – 7:15 P.M.; nursery care available for children three years and younger. A new class for parents with young children will be offered from 4:30 – 5:30 P.M. with nursery care for children six years and younger provided. Please register on the website.

First Friends

Thursday Luncheon/Program — October 15, 12:00 P.M., Courtenay Hall, “Celebrating Our Own Dr. Anderson Spickard.” Sandwich/Salad/Dessert $6. RSVP by Monday, October 12.

Sunday Lunch — October 18, 12:00 P.M., Music City Fire Restaurant, the Gulch. RSVP by October 16. Meet in the foyer after 11:00 A.M. worship.

Day Trip — Thursday, October 22, 9:30 A.M., The Lotz House (Civil War Museum), Franklin. Lunch at Bunganut Pig. Meet at the bus, $8.00 admission.

Make all reservations with Rachel Gresham (615-383-1815 or hospitalitycenter@fpcnashville.org).

Youth Ministry

Sunday School Today — Grades 7-12 will meet together in The Gathering Place at 9:40 A.M.

Small Group Bible Studies (also called 10:24 Groups) have begun for the fall semester.

Sign Up for youth grade level retreats, basketball, 10:24 groups, class retreats and more at youth.fpcnashville.org.

Questions? Contact 615-298-9570 or youth@fpcnashville.org.

Young Adult & College Ministry

Young Adult Small Group — Led by Lipscomb and Rachel Davis. We’ve officially taken a break for the summer but are getting together for dinner every other week. Email Lipscomb for more information (lipscomb88@gmail.com).

Young Adult Women’s Bible Study — Join us Monday evenings at Ashley’s home. Dinner starts at 7:00 P.M. and wraps up by 8:30 P.M. New faces welcomed. Email (ahiggins@fpcnashville.org) for the address.

The Mission of First Presbyterian Church
To know Christ, to make Him known, and to exhibit His love through worship, education, and service.
Sunday School Classes (meet at 9:45 A.M.)

- **Young Adult Sunday School (L-201)** led by Steve and Mary Lee Bartlett, Warner McNeilly and Allison Milam.

- **First Families (L-202)** led by Mort and Jami Hill.

- **Friends in Faith (L-205)** led by Chris Holstein.

*For more information about College Ministry, email Linda Morphis (lmorphis@fpcnashville.org). For more information about Young Adult Ministry, email Ashley Higgins (ahiggins@fpcnashville.org) or Josh Rodriguez (jrodriguez@fpcnashville.org).*