



**FEBRUARY 18, 2018**  
**SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY**  
**FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT**  
**8:30 and 11:00 AM**

**GATHERING**

OPENING SENTENCES Todd Jones

†VOLUNTARY Georg Böhm  
*Vater unser im Himmelreich*  
(Our Father in Heaven)

\*CALL TO WORSHIP Sandra Randleman

Leader: What shall we render unto the Lord  
for all His benefits toward us?

**People: We will take the cup of salvation  
and call upon the name of the Lord!**

Leader: 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 166 ST. FLAVIAN  
*Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days*

†WELCOME AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR DISCIPLESHIP Todd Jones

CALL TO CONFESSION Sandra Randleman

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Almighty and merciful God,  
we have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep.  
We have followed too much  
the devices and desires of our own hearts.  
We have offended against Your holy laws.  
We have left undone those things  
which we ought to have done;  
and we have done those things  
which we ought not to have done.  
O Lord, have mercy upon us.  
Spare those who confess their faults.  
Restore those who are penitent,  
according to Your promises declared to the world  
in Christ Jesus our Lord.  
And grant, O merciful God, for His sake,  
that we may live a holy, just and humble life  
to the glory of Your holy name.  
(A moment for silent confession.)**





## SENDING FORTH

\*HYMN OF COMMITMENT 39

FAITHFULNESS

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Todd Jones

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE 547

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.**

*The congregation will be seated for a moment of silent prayer  
after the Congregational Response.*

\*CLOSING VOLUNTARY

J.S. Bach

*Wer nur den lieben Gott lässt walten*

(If Thou but Suffer God to Guide Thee)

\* 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

Sandra Randleman,

Associate Pastor for Congregational Care and Missions

Josh Rodriguez, Associate Pastor for Young Adult Ministries

McKenzie Cooper, Cross Bearer

Ike Cooper, Bible Bearer

Raphael Bundage, Director of Music

Nicholas Bergin, Organist

Rhonda Swanson, Assistant Organist

Keith Moore, Sanctuary Chorale Conductor; Claire Boling, Soprano;

Julie DiTraglia, Soprano; Courtney Gammill, Alto

Raphael Bundage, Sanctuary Choir Conductor

**Welcome!** — First Presbyterian Church extends a warm welcome in the name of Christ to all who worship with us today. We are delighted you have chosen to join us. Whether you are a longtime member or a guest, please note your attendance today in the fellowship pad found in your pew.

**Guests** — Please take a moment to fill out a Connect Card so that we may more personally welcome you into community. We also invite you to visit the Welcome Center in the church narthex for additional information or if you are interested in becoming a member. There, you may visit with one of our elders, staff or pastors. You may also contact the church office at 615-383-1815, and we will be happy to answer any questions you may have.

### TODAY AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

■ **FLOWERS** on the chancel table are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Betty B. Graham by her family.

■ **FLOWERS** in the narthex are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Dr. Rubye P. Torrey, and in honor of her birthday today by her family.

■ **FELLOWSHIP, COFFEE & DONUTS** — Please join us between services downstairs in Courtenay Hall for coffee and donuts.

■ **ASSISTANCE FOR THOSE WITH DISABILITIES** — Hearing devices, large-print hymnals, large-print bulletins and large-print Bibles are located in the narthex across from the Welcome Center. If anyone has a need or disability requiring assistance or accommodation for any church activity, please contact the church office at 615-383-1815.

■ **LIVE STREAM IN COURTENAY HALL** — Each of the Sunday morning worship services is streamed live in Courtenay Hall.

■ **HAVE A PRAYER REQUEST?** — Prayer request cards can be found in the pews and deposited in the offering plate or the prayer request boxes, located in the narthex on the southeast wall and at the Hospitality Center. Church officers meet weekly to lift up prayer requests to God.

■ **SERMONS** can be found on our website at [fpcnashville.org](http://fpcnashville.org).

*Are there angels in the Sanctuary?*

*“Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by this some have entertained angels without knowing it.”*

(Hebrews 13:2)

## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

■ **THE FIVE THIRTY** — Keith Gunter is preaching *Large Enough Cemeteries* tonight in The Gathering Place. Nursery care for children six weeks to age three.

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

■ **LENTEN SMALL GROUPS** — From February 18 until April 1, we will seek to find genuine community through the words of Jesus coupled with prayer, discussion and a sharing of life. We will focus on the Lord’s Prayer, the prayer for God’s people that Jesus offered as our model for prayer. For details and to register, visit our website.

■ **EASTER MEMORIALS** — A memorial fund has been established for chancel and Sanctuary flowers during Easter. Please send your contribution, along with the name(s) of loved ones to be memorialized, to Sandy Nelson in our church office no later than Friday, March 16. Please note that names will not be carried forward from previous Easter memorial publications.

■ **EASTER CELEBRATION & EGG HUNT** — On March 31, from 3:00 to 5:00 P.M., join us on our front lawn for three egg hunts, games and prizes, face painting, a balloon man, cotton candy and more. The Easter bunny will be there for family photo opportunities! Visit our website for more info.

## CONGREGATIONAL CARE MINISTRY

■ **SYMPATHY** — The First Presbyterian Church family extends sympathy to the friends and family of the following during their time of loss:

- Gwen & Jake Peters, on the death of Jake’s mother, Mary Jo Peters, who died on February 5. Sympathy also to Fred Peters.
- Family and friends of Martha Kathryn Key, who died on February 9.

## MISSION MINISTRY

- **RISE AGAINST HUNGER** — Wednesday, March 7, 5:00–7:00 P.M. in the Enrichment Center. “Serving Others” is our Lenten theme, so come help us pack 20,000 meals to be shipped around the world to support school feeding programs and crisis relief. Visit our website to sign up.
- **SPREAD THE LOVE FOOD DRIVE** — During the month of February, help us provide food for Middle Tennessee children by donating non-perishable food items (peanut butter, canned soup, canned vegetables, cereal etc.) in the Second Harvest collection boxes located throughout our church campus.

*For more Mission Ministry info, contact Mike Crout  
at 615-298-9593 or missions@fpcnashville.org.*

## MUSIC MINISTRY

- **THE DOROTHY SHAW BELL CHOIR** — Thursday, March 15, at 6:00 P.M. in the Sanctuary. This internationally acclaimed ensemble is made up of students from Fort Worth, Texas, and they are especially known for performing completely from memory, without a conductor and without bell tables. Please join us for what promises to be an impressive evening of handbell ringing! The concert is free.
- **THE 12:20 CONCERT** originally scheduled for February 25 has been cancelled. Please join us for the next 12:20 concert, featuring jazz pianist Nate Strasser, on Sunday, March 18.

## OLDER ADULT MINISTRY

- **BOOK DISCUSSION WITH TODD** — The book discussion on February 22 is about *Martin Luther: The Man Who Rediscovered God and Changed the World* by Eric Metaxas.
- **WASHINGTON, D.C. SPRING TOUR ON MAY 3–8** — Visit our website or the Hospitality Center to see the full itinerary. The cost is \$565 (\$75 deposit; final payment by February 24).

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY AND NURSERY

- **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 located by Courtenay Hall and our Bookstore.
- **OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHILDREN DURING OUR WORSHIP SERVICES**
  - **Children's Bulletin, Sermon Sheet & Worship Bag:** All children are encouraged to use these to stay engaged during the service. These are located both in the Narthex and at the Pulpit Entrance.
  - **Young Children & Worship:** Children who are age 4, 5 or 6 (not in 1st grade) are invited. After the children come up during worship services for “Children's Time” or a baptism, they will exit the Sanctuary and go to Room CW-110. Parents are welcome to join their child or stay for the remainder of the service.
  - **Nursery Care** for children six weeks to three years is available during 8:30 & 11:00 services and Sunday School from 9:45 to 10:45. Ask an Elder/Deacon to help you locate the Children's Hospitality Center.

*For more Children's Ministry info, contact Deb O'Brien  
at 615-298-9582 or dobrien@fpcnashville.org.*

## YOUTH MINISTRY

■ Please join us on Saturday, February 24, from 9:30 to 11:30 A.M. in The Gathering Place for *People At Rest* with Anne Dobbs. Bring a journal, a pen, and your Bible for this wonderful time of scripture, prayer, and journaling. It is time for a rest! Receive it. Please email [youth@fpcnashville.org](mailto:youth@fpcnashville.org) if you are planning to attend or if you have further questions.

■ **SPRING BREAK PLANS?** Are you planning to attend the Mission Trip to Waco, Texas, from March 17 to 23? If so, we need to know now! Register online today.

*For Youth Ministry info, contact  
615-298-9570 or [youth@fpcnashville.org](mailto:youth@fpcnashville.org).*

## YOUNG ADULT & COLLEGE MINISTRY

■ **CUBA TRIP** — July 21–28. We hope you'll prayerfully consider joining us on this trip. Contact [jrodriguez@fpcnashville.org](mailto:jrodriguez@fpcnashville.org) for more information.

*For Young Adult Ministry info, contact  
Josh Rodriguez at 615-298-9598 or [jrodriguez@fpcnashville.org](mailto:jrodriguez@fpcnashville.org).*

## RECREATION MINISTRY

■ **SPRING SOCCER REGISTRATION** — The season is end of March through mid-May. Please register online by February 25.

■ **OAK HILL DAY CAMP** — We strive to meet the physical, emotional and spiritual needs of the whole family by providing a fun atmosphere with swimming, sports, archery, acting, ropes courses and much more. Register online now!

*For Recreation Ministry info, contact [recreation@fpcnashville.org](mailto:recreation@fpcnashville.org).*

### **The Mission of First Presbyterian Church**

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



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