



APRIL 15, 2018
SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER
8:30 and 11:00 AM

GATHERING

OPENING SENTENCES Stuart Gordon

†VOLUNTARY Frank Bridge
Adagio in E Major

*CALL TO WORSHIP Adam DeVries

Pastor: Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.
Worship the Lord with gladness.
Come into God's presence with singing!

People: **For the Lord is a gracious God,
Whose mercy is everlasting;
and Whose faithfulness endures to all generations.**
(Psalm 100:1-2, 5)

†*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 265 DUKE STREET
Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun

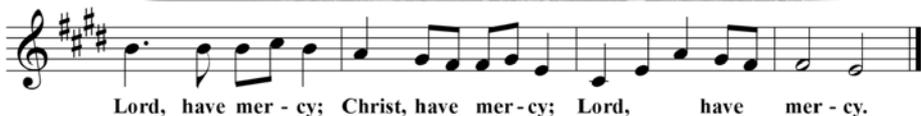
†WELCOME AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR DISCIPLESHIP Stuart Gordon

CALL TO CONFESSION Adam DeVries

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Eternal God, our judge and redeemer,
we confess that we have tried to hide from You,
for we have done wrong.
We have lived for ourselves,
and apart from You.
We have turned from our neighbors,
and refused to bear the burdens of others.
We have ignored the pain of the world,
and passed by the hungry, the poor and the oppressed.
In Your great mercy, forgive our sins
and free us from selfishness,
that we may choose Your will,
obey Your commandments,
and share Your love in word and deed;
through Jesus Christ our Savior.**
(A moment for silent confession.)

LORD, HAVE MERCY *Kyrie Eleison*



ASSURANCE OF PARDON

THE WORD AND SACRAMENT

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

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (8:30) Stuart Gordon
Abbi & Josh Rodriguez are presenting their son, Jameson David Rodriguez, and daughter, Everly Kay Rodriguez, for baptism.
Assisting Elder: Jake Higgins

(11:00) Stuart Gordon
Tyler Jacob Sheldon is presenting himself for baptism. Assisting Elder: Austin McMullen

Corbin Wade Clifton is presenting himself for baptism. Assisting Elder: Austin McMullen

†HYMN FOR BAPTISM (8:30)

TALLIS' CANON

3 Lord Je - sus Christ, our Lord most dear, as

6 You were once an in - fant here, so give this child of

Yours, we pray, Your grace and bless - ing day by day

‡ Children who are age four, five or six (not in first grade) are invited to *Young Children and Worship* in room CW-110.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Rob Weingartner

**God our helper,
by Your Holy Spirit, open our minds,
that as the Scriptures are read
and Your Word is proclaimed,
we may be led into Your truth
and taught Your will,
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE READING

Connor Jorgenson
Psalm 67, *page 529*

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

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE READING

Rob Weingartner
Acts 4:5–22, *page 121*

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

SERMON

Rob Weingartner

The Sent Ones

RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Sandra Randleman
The Apostles' Creed (traditional) Hymnal, page 35

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER
(debts) Hymnal, page 35

OFFERTORY
(8:30) Randall Thompson

Glory to God in the Highest

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace, good will toward men.

(11:00) Richard Proulx

O Spirit All-Embracing

O Spirit all-embracing and counselor all-wise,
unbounded splendor gracing a shoreless sea of skies:
unfailing is Your treasure, unfading Your reward;
surpassing worldly pleasure, the riches You afford.
Come, stream of endless flowing, and rescue us from death,
come, wind of springtime blowing, and warm us by Your breath.
O beauty ever blazing in flower, field, and face,
You show Yourself amazing in unexpected place.
We see You and remember what once our dreams had been;
You fan the glowing ember and kindle hope within.
Come, fire of glory gracious, bless all who trust in You;
undying flame tenacious, burn in Your Church anew.
Come, passion's power holy, Your insight here impart,
and give Your servants lowly an understanding heart
to know Your care more clearly when faith and love are tried,
to seek You more sincerely when false ideals have died:
for vision we implore You, for wisdom's pure delight;
in prayer we come before You to wait upon Your light.

*PRESENTATION AND RESPONSE *Doxology* OLD HUNDREDTH

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT 263 CORONATION
All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION Rob Weingartner

*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 William Mathias
Fanfare

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

Please silence your cell phone as you enter the Sanctuary.

PARTICIPATING IN THE SERVICE

Rob Weingartner, Executive Director of The Outreach Foundation

Stuart Gordon, Executive Pastor

Adam DeVries, Associate Pastor for Youth and Their Families

Sandra Randleman,

Associate Pastor for Congregational Care and Missions

Braden Zeigler, Cross Bearer

Marcelline Bucumi, Christ Candle

Macie Rouse, Bible Bearer

Grafton Brittle, (8:30) Baptism Buddy

Caroline Stanley, (8:30) Worship Helper

Raphael Bundage, Director of Music

Nicholas Bergin, Organist

Rhonda Swanson, Assistant Organist

(8:30) Sanctuary Chorale: Keith Moore, Conductor

(11:00) Sanctuary Choir: Raphael Bundage, 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

■ We welcome to the pulpit this morning Rob Weingartner, Executive Director of The Outreach Foundation, a key mission partner of First Presbyterian Church. Prior to his call to lead Outreach in 2002, Rob pastored congregations in Indiana and Ohio for twenty years. He is a graduate of Pittsburgh and Princeton seminaries.

■ **FLOWERS** on the chancel table are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Joe Thompson Jr., by his 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.

Greet those who worship around you. Be a Worship Friend!

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **THE FIVE THIRTY** — Adam DeVries is preaching “The Thunder and Lightning” tonight in The Gathering Place. Nursery care for children six weeks to age three.
- **STEPHEN MINISTER SPEAKERS** — On April 17 at 6:30 P.M., Taylore Logan from Hospice will speak on “Hospice 101.” On May 15 at 6:30 P.M., Miller Folk with From Within Counseling will speak on “Depression — Signs to Look for and Sources of Help.” These short talks are open to all and will be located in the Jones Session Room.
- **WEDNESDAY NIGHT MENU** — This Wednesday, April 18, come build your own burger and enjoy onion rings, french fries, salad bar and dessert.
- **WORSHIP AND DINNER AT THE FIVE THIRTY** — Instead of trying to do everything right in your faith, try doing one radical thing. Consider making that one radical thing be worshipping together as a family! Invite a family member or a loved one to worship with you at The Five Thirty next Sunday, April 22. There will be dinner following the service.
- **PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN SPRING GATHERING** — Tuesday, May 1 at 6:00 P.M. at the home of Kathy and Bob Rolfe. We will have a program along with boxed suppers by Corner Market. Register in the Events section of our website.
- **NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER** — Stanford Chapel will be open for private prayer on Thursday, May 3 from 7:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. Prayer guides are available.
- **MOTHER’S DAY CELEBRATION** — Sunday, May 13 from 9:30 to 11:00 A.M. in Courtenay Hall. There will be refreshments and music for all mothers, members and visitors to enjoy.

CHILDREN’S MINISTRY AND NURSERY

- **SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES** — Children can experience Vacation Bible School on June 25–28 or Mission Camp on July 16–19. Early Preschool Passport to Adventure is offered in June and July, and Oak Hill Day Camp is May–August. Visit our website for more info and to register.
- **MOTHER AND INFANT QUIET ROOM** — If you need a quiet place for nursing or calming your baby, please use the Quiet Room by Courtenay Hall.
- **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 four, five or six (not in first 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.*

MUSIC MINISTRY

■ **12:20 CONCERT** — Today after the 11:00 worship service, singers from the Sanctuary Choir will present “American Folk Hymns: Spirituals, Southern Gospel and More.” The program will feature both well-known and uncommon music—some joyful, some mournful, but all uplifting.

■ **MOTHER’S DAY CHOIR** — The Music Ministry warmly invites all singers in the congregation to participate in the Mother’s Day choir on Sunday, May 13. We will gather in the choir room at 10:00 to rehearse an easy-to-learn piece of music and then sing it at the 11:00 service to honor the mothers in our midst. Moms are welcome too! If interested, contact Daphne Garey in the Music Department or email music@fpcnashville.org.

OLDER ADULT MINISTRY

■ **PROGRAM/LUNCHEON** — Thursday, April 19 at 12:00 P.M. in Courtenay Hall. The speaker is our own church elder, Bob Rolfe, who is also Commissioner of Economic Development for the State of Tennessee. Lunch is \$6. RSVP by April 16.

■ **BOOK DISCUSSION** — Thursday, April 26 at 2:00 P.M. in Memorial Library. Todd Jones will discuss *Leaving Lucy Pear* by Anna Solomon.

Make reservations at 615-383-1815 or hospitalitycenter@fpcnashville.org.

YOUNG ADULT & COLLEGE MINISTRY

■ **FAMILY FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY SCHOOL** — The speakers for the month of April include Kathy and Bob Rolfe, Mirabel Weriwoh, Frank Thomas and Mike Crout. We would love for you to join us in the Jones Session Room at 9:45 A.M.

■ **COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES** — Come help us stuff college care packages from 6:30 to 7:30 P.M. tonight, after The Five Thirty in The Gathering Place.

*For Young Adult Ministry info, contact
Josh Rodriguez at 615-298-9598 or jrodriguez@fpcnashville.org.*

YOUTH MINISTRY

■ **SENIOR BANQUET** — Monday, April 16 at 6:30 P.M. in Courtenay Hall. Please contact us at youth@fpcnashville.org if you have questions.

■ **YOUTH LEADERS** — Sunday, April 29, 12:00–2:00 P.M. is the annual volunteer youth leader kickball game and lunch. Who will win this year...the small group leaders or the Sunday School teachers?

■ **WEST VIRGINIA MISSION TRIP** — Current 8th–11th graders are invited June 3–8 to go to Panther, West Virginia. Seniors leave on June 1 for a leadership weekend together with Adam prior to the trip. Register online!

■ **THE GREAT ESCAPE** is a fun week of games, worship and teaching for rising 7th and 8th graders from June 10–15 in Cleveland, Tennessee. We’ll be living in dorms, getting to know church friends better and rafting the Ocoee River.

For Youth Ministry info, contact 615-298-9570 or youth@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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