



ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE 581

GLORIA PATRI

## THE WORD

*Children are invited to come to the front for children's time.*

CHILDREN'S TIME

Stuart Gordon

‡ Children who are age 4, 5 or 6 (not in 1st grade) are invited to  
*Young Children and Worship* in room CW-110.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Stuart Gordon

**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 READING

Anna Kate Rader  
Psalm 111, *page 562*

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

GOSPEL READING

Stuart Gordon  
John 6:22–34, *page 98*

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

SERMON

Stuart Gordon

*Saying Grace*

## 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)

Niccolò Antonio Zingarelli

*Go Not Far from Me*

Go not far from me, O God;  
cast me not away in the time of age;  
forsake me not when my strength faileth me.  
O let my mouth be filled with Thy praise,  
that I may sing Thy glory and honor all the day long.

(from Psalm 71)

(11:00)

Arr. Alfred V. Fedak

*You, Lord, Are Both Lamb and Shepherd*  
(*Christus Paradox*)

You, Lord, are both Lamb and Shepherd.

You, Lord, are both prince and slave.

You, peacemaker and swordbringer of the way You took and gave.

You, the everlasting instant; You, whom we both scorn and crave.

Clothed in light upon the mountain, stripped of might upon the cross,  
shining in eternal glory, beggared by a soldier's toss,

You, the everlasting instant; You, who are both gift and cost.

You, who walk each day beside us, sit in power at God's side.

You, who preach a way that's narrow, have a love that reaches wide.

You, the everlasting instant; You, who are our pilgrim guide.

Worthy is our earthly Jesus! Worthy is our cosmic Christ!

Worthy Your defeat and victory. Worthy still Your peace and strife.

You, the everlasting instant; You, who are our death and our life.

Alleluia, You, who are our death and our life.

\*PRESENTATION AND RESPONSE      *Doxology*      OLD HUNDREDTH

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

## SENDING FORTH

\*HYMN OF COMMITMENT 694      AURELIA

*Great God of Every Blessing*

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION      Stuart Gordon

\*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      Herbert Sumsion

*Ceremonial March*

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

Please silence your cell phone as you enter the Sanctuary.

### PARTICIPATING IN THE SERVICE

Stuart Gordon, Executive Pastor

John Musgrave, Parish Associate

Sandra Randleman,

Associate Pastor for Congregational Care and Missions

Raphael Bundage, Director of Music

Nicholas Bergin, Organist

Rhonda Swanson, Assistant Organist

Shona Wood, Harp

**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 the Reverend Dr. John A. Ishee 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](http://fpcnashville.org).

*Smile! "This is the day that the Lord has made;  
let us rejoice and be glad in it."*

## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **THE FIVE THIRTY** — Josh Rodriguez is preaching "Loving God, Others & Self" tonight at NaCoMe at 7:30 P.M. Dinner begins at 6:00 P.M.
- **BOOK SIGNING: STEPHANIE HUFFMAN** — On August 12 at 9:30 A.M., our very own Stephanie Huffman will be signing her book, *When You Grow Up and Get...Single*.
- **FALL KICKOFF EVENTS** — Mark your calendar for our upcoming fall ministry events. Children's Ministry Kickoff is August 19; Youth Ministry Kickoff is August 26; Young Adult Kickoff is September 5; and Adult Ministry Kickoff is September 9. More details about these events will be in our August newsletter.
- **FALL COMMUNITY OF BELONGING GROUPS** — This fall, our Community of Belonging Groups will be called *The Power of We*. It will be a six-week study on the Great Ends of the Church. If you are interested in hosting or leading a group, contact Mark DeVries at [mdevries@fpcnashville.org](mailto:mdevries@fpcnashville.org). Group registration will begin on September 1.

■ **MOVIE ON THE LAWN** — On Saturday, September 8 at 5:30 P.M., gather with your church family on the upper soccer fields for face painting, hula hooping, limbo, hula dancing and the movie *Moana*. Bring a blanket and wear Hawaiian attire! Enjoy Whitt's BBQ and Heavenly Snow snoballs. Registration prior to event required. Visit [fpcnashville.org/specialevents](http://fpcnashville.org/specialevents).

■ **GOLF TOURNAMENT** — On Tuesday, October 2 at 1:00 P.M., join us at Nashville Golf & Athletic for 18 holes of golf, fellowship and a whole lot of fun! We will put you in a group of four or gather three of your friends. Cost is \$110 and includes golf cart, boxed lunch and post-golf dinner. Register at [fpcnashville.org/specialevents](http://fpcnashville.org/specialevents).

### CONGREGATIONAL CARE MINISTRY

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

- Robin & Overton Thompson III on the death of Overton's mother, Mary Palmer 'Palmy' Daniel Thompson, who died on July 23. Sympathy also to Jillian & Brian Eischeid, Emily Thompson, Overton Thompson IV, Martha Thompson and Celeste & Jim Crouch.
- Anne & Mike Hinton on the death of Mike's brother-in-law, Carroll McAlhaney, who died on July 29. Sympathy also to Michele Sanderson and Elizabeth Claire Hinton.

### CHILDREN'S MINISTRY AND NURSERY

■ **CHILDREN'S KICKOFF** — On Sunday, August 19 from 9:45 to 10:45 A.M., we will have Meet-Your-Teacher Day in classrooms. Parents are invited to the Coin Toss, which will be a breakfast and program for parents and other adults in Courtenay Hall. Parents should walk their children to their new Sunday School classrooms before coming to the breakfast.

■ **CHOIR FAMILY NIGHT & KICKOFF** — On Sunday, August 19 from 4:00 to 5:00 P.M., we will kick off choir rehearsals, provide a parent-choir overview, and eat pizza. Visit our website 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.

■ **REGISTER FOR YOUNG CHILDREN & WORSHIP** — We invite children ages 4, 5 & 6 by August 15, 2018 (who are not entering 1st grade) to join Mr. Mickey or Mrs. Deb during the 8:30 or 11:00 worship service. Register online. See below for more info about YC&W.

■ **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](mailto:dobrien@fpcnashville.org).*

## MISSION MINISTRY

■ **MEDICAL LENDING CLOSET** — Our church maintains a lending closet where people can donate medical equipment they no longer need. If you would like to donate or if you or someone you know is temporarily in need of equipment such as wheelchairs, shower chairs, walkers, canes, etc., please e-mail [missions@fpcnashville.org](mailto:missions@fpcnashville.org) or call 615-298-9507.

*For Mission Ministry info, contact Mike Crout at 615-298-9593 or [missions@fpcnashville.org](mailto:missions@fpcnashville.org).*

## OLDER ADULT MINISTRY

■ **SUNDAY LUNCH AT PUFFY MUFFIN** — August 19 after 11:00 worship. RSVP by August 17.

■ **BOOK DISCUSSION** of *A Gentleman in Moscow* by Amor Towles — Thursday, August 23 2:00 P.M. in Memorial Library.

■ **AARP DRIVING COURSE** — August 27 from 8:00 A.M. — 4:30 P.M. in Vance Hall. RSVP by August 22.

*For First Friends info, contact Brenda Geise at 615-298-9515.  
To make reservations, email [hospitalitycenter@fpcnashville.org](mailto:hospitalitycenter@fpcnashville.org).*

## YOUTH MINISTRY

■ **YOUTH WEEKLY SUMMER ACTIVITIES** include Tuesday Morning Prayer, Tuesday Night Basketball, Wednesday Night Festivus and Thursday Afternoon Bible Study Groups. Visit our website for more info.

■ **YOUTH FALL KICKOFF** — On August 26, all youth grades 7–12 and their parents are invited for a morning full of food, fun and fellowship. Tailgating complete with sausage biscuits, donuts, juice and coffee begins at 9:00 A.M. The program starts at 9:30 A.M. in the Enrichment Center. During this time, we will roll out our programming for the year, introduce the youth staff and volunteers, and supply you with dates and information regarding all of our upcoming trips, retreats and events. We will all then go to worship at the 11:00 A.M. together!

■ **SMALL GROUPS** — Are you a youth interested in participating in a small group? Check out the youth page on the FPC website in order to sign up today! Small groups will begin the week of September 9.

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