AUGUST 4, 2019
SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY
8:30 and 11:00 AM

GATHERING

OPENING SENTENCES
Stuart Gordon

†VOLUNTARY
J.S. Bach

Allegro from Trio Sonata in G Major

†INTROIT
O Sing a New Song
PSALM 96

The congregation is invited to join in singing the refrain.

1. O sing a new song to the Lord; sing to the Lord, all the earth!
   Sing to God and praise God’s name.

2. Proclaim God’s salvation day by day; tell of God’s glory among
   the nations, and God’s marvels to praise God’s name.
   Refrain

3. The Lord is great and worthy of all praise, to be feared more
   than all gods; all other gods are merely idols.

4. For the Lord made the heavens! O the splendor and majesty of
   God’s presence! O the power and beauty of God’s temple.
   Refrain

5. Let the heavens be glad; let the earth rejoice; let the sea roar,
   and all its creatures; be glad, you fields, and all your fruit.

6. Shout for joy, all trees of the woods, at the presence of God,
   who now comes, who comes to judge the earth with right and
   the people with truth.
   Refrain

*CALL TO WORSHIP
(8:30) Josh Rodriguez
(11:00) Adam DeVries

Pastor: Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice!

People: Let the sea roar, and all that fills it.

Leader: For the Lord is coming to judge the earth.

People: He will judge the world with righteousness,
   and the peoples with his truth.

†PROCESSIONAL HYMN 645
MIT FREUDEN ZART

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

†WELCOME AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR DISCIPLESHIP
Stuart Gordon
CALL TO CONFESSION
(8:30) Josh Rodriguez
(11:00) Adam DeVries

PRAYER OF CONFESSION
Holy and merciful God,
in Your presence we confess our sinfulness,
our shortcomings, and our offenses against You.
You alone know how often we have sinned
in wandering from Your ways, in wasting Your gifts,
in forgetting Your love.
Have mercy on us, O Lord,
for we are ashamed and sorry
for all we have done to displease You.
Forgive our sins,
and help us to live in Your light,
and walk in Your ways,
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.
(A moment for silent confession.)

LORD, HAVE MERCY
Kyrie Eleison

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE 581

THE WORD AND SACRAMENT
Children are invited to come to the front for the baptism
or children’s time.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (8:30)
Josh Rodriguez
Jen & Jay Milam are presenting their son, Arthur James Milam, for
baptism. Assisting Elder: Jake Higgins

†HYMN FOR BAPTISM
TALLIS’ CANON

CHILDREN’S TIME (11:00)
Adam DeVries

‡ 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
Living God,
help us so to hear Your holy Word
that we may truly understand;
that, understanding, we may believe,
and, believing,
we may follow in all faithfulness and obedience,
seeking Your honor and glory in all that we do;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE READING
Isaiah 43:16–21, page 672
Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE READINGS
Psalm 40:1–10, page 513
Pastor: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

HYMN OF PREPARATION 652
A Grateful Heart

SERMON
A New Song

RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH
The Apostles’ Creed (traditional) Hymnal, page 35

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

OFFERTORY
(8:30) John Rutter
I Will Sing with the Spirit
I will sing with the spirit,
I will sing with the spirit: alleluia, alleluia.
And I will sing with the understanding also: alleluia.
I will sing with the spirit, alleluia.

(11:00) Ralph Vaughan Williams
Let All the World in Every Corner Sing
Let all the world in every corner sing, my God and King!
The heavens are not too high, His praise may thither fly.
The earth is not too low, His praises there may grow.
The Church with psalms must shout, no door can keep them out.
But above all, the heart must bear the longest part.

*PRESENTATION AND RESPONSE
*Doxology
OLD HUNDREDTH

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT 610
O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing
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.

Plein jeu

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION  
Stuart Gordon

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE 547  
Go, My Children, with My Blessing
AR HYD Y NOS

* CLOSING VOLUNTARY  
Louis-Nicolas Clérambault
Plein jeu

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

PARTICIPATING IN THE SERVICE

Adam DeVries, Associate Pastor for Youth and Their Families
Stuart Gordon, Executive Pastor and Interim Head of Staff
Sandra Randleman,
Associate Pastor for Congregational Care and Missions
Josh Rodriguez, Associate Pastor for Young Adult Ministry
Raphael Bundage, Director of Music
Nicholas Bergin, Organist
Rhonda Swanson, Assistant Organist
McKenzie Garey, Soprano (8:30)
Daphne Garey, Soprano

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 Courtenay Hall for additional information or if you are interested in becoming a member. There, you may visit with one of our greeters. You may also contact the church office at 615-383-1815, and we will be happy to answer any questions you may have.

FLOWERS on the chancel table are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Margaret (Maggie) Kathryn Hardison 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. If anyone has a need or disability requiring assistance or accommodation for any church activity, please contact the church office at 615-383-1815.

LIVESTREAM 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 in Courtenay Hall. 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!*

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**GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**THE TABLE** — Throughout the summer, The Five Thirty service will meet at 11:00 A.M. in The Gathering Place. We’re calling it The Table—a relaxed worship service rooted in the Reformed tradition. This morning, Josh Rodriguez is preaching *A “Something Else” Kind of Faith*. All are welcome!

**REPAIRS NEAR THE GATHERING PLACE** — Please excuse our mess, as we are in the process of completing some major plumbing repairs under the floor in the hallway by The Gathering Place. The floors have been dug up and the plumbing repaired, and we will soon get to the next step: re-tile the floors in the hallway and the entrance to The Gathering Place. We apologize for the inconvenience.

**FAMILY CONFERENCE** — The Rooted in Christ Family Conference will take place Saturday, August 24, 9:00 A.M.–12:15 P.M. Speakers will include Mark and Susan DeVries, Jeremy Shapiro, Betty Ann Santi, David Thomas, and Sissy Goff. Register at fpcnashville.org under Events.

**PW FALL GATHERING** — Save the date for the Presbyterian Women Fall Gathering on Tuesday, September 10, at 11:00 A.M. in the FPC Sanctuary. Our guest speaker will be Liz Curtis Higgs, author of *Bad Girls of the Bible*. Register at fpcnashville.org under Events. The cost for registration is $25 in advance or $30 at the door.

**PRAYERS FOR THE PNC** — The Session asks that our congregation pray for the Pastor Nominating Committee and for the call of the Senior Pastor of First Presbyterian Church. We remember the words of Jesus recorded in Matthew 7:7–8: “Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.” With this verse in mind, the Session asks that our congregation pray at 7:07 A.M. each day (as well as any other time of day). You are also invited to pray in the Matt Hill Prayer Room on Sunday mornings and at other times as well.

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**CONGREGATIONAL CARE MINISTRY**

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


**STEPHEN MINISTRY** — Stephen Ministers work alongside our pastors to care for, encourage, and provide emotional and spiritual support to people who are going through a difficult time. If you have the gifts of caring, encouraging, and listening, please begin to prayerfully consider becoming a part of this important ministry. New training begins in September. Contact Sandra Randleman at 615-298-9502 or srandleman@fpcnashville.org for additional information.
**BETHEL BIBLE SERIES** — Bethel Bible classes begin on September 8 and will feature live lectures and readings, with no written homework. To learn more about Bethel, join us for an informational meeting on Sunday, August 11, at 9:45 A.M. in the Jones Session Room. You can also learn more and register online at adults.fpcnashville.org/the-bethel-series/.

**INQUIRERS’ CLASS** — An Inquirers’ Class will be held on September 8, 15, 22, 29, and October 6, during the Sunday School hour (9:45–10:45 A.M.) in the Edgar Room (MW-227, located on the second floor, down the hall from the Sanctuary). If you are interested in uniting with First Presbyterian Church as members or just wish to learn more about the history and mission of First Presbyterian Church and the Presbyterian Church (USA), you are invited to attend. Registration is not necessary. For more information, please call the church office at 615-383-1815 or Rev. Sarah Bird at 615-298-9518.

**MISSION DAYS** — Mission Days are spent serving in our community. This is a one-day experience for kids entering grades 4–6 in the fall. Join us August 7 for different mission experiences. Register on the Children’s page of our website.

**MOTHER AND INFANT QUIET ROOM** — If you need a quiet place for nursing or calming your baby, please room use the inside the Nursery Wing.

**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 6 weeks through 3 years is available during the 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 Children's Ministry info, contact Deb O'Brien at 615-298-9582 or dobrien@fpcnashville.org.

**MISSION SPOTLIGHT: YOUTH CONFERENCE MINISTRIES** — Youth Conference Ministries produces summer conferences, camps, and mission trips, including Fun in the Son, The Great Escape, and Son Servants, for middle and high school students to experience Jesus Christ. The programs seek to awaken a desire for Christ in young people so that they will return to their local church empowered to live for Him. For more information, go to ycmhome.org or contact Missions at missions@fpcnashville.org.

**WELCOME HOME, CUBA TEAM** — The Cuba mission team returned home on August 2, and they had an amazing trip. Look for their upcoming trip write-up in the next newsletter and on the FPC website.
The Mission of First Presbyterian Church
To know Christ, to make Him known, and to exhibit His love through worship, education, and service.

There is still time to sign up for the 2019 Dominican Republic mission trip. Trip dates are November 2–8. This year, we will be taking a surgical team and a primary care medical team for services in neighborhood locations and a construction labor team to work on a new clinic building. Physicians, dentists, nurses, and other medical personnel are needed, as well as nonmedical participants. Estimated trip cost is $1,300; $800 deposit and copy of your passport are due by September 1. Dr. Jim Cato is trip leader. Contact Annette Crout at 615-298-9507 or missions@fpcnashville.org for more information or to sign up.

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

For more Mission Ministry info, contact Annette Crout at 615-298-9507 or missions@fpcnashville.org.

Music Ministry

Children’s Choir Registration — Registration for the 2019–20 children’s choir year is now open. To learn more and to register in person, visit the registration table that will be set up in Courtenay Hall between the services this morning. To do so online, visit music.fpcnashville.org/children/childrens-music/.

Recreation Ministry

Friday Pickleball — All are welcome to join us for pickleball on Fridays at 3:00 p.m. We will have courts and equipment available in the Enrichment Center.

Oak Hill Day Camp registration is online! We are offering a variety of camps for kids ages 4 years to 8th grade. We are also looking for counselors. Go to the Recreation page of our website for more information.

Our Equine Program is still accepting participants! Adults 18 and up with disabilities, veterans, and service members are eligible for this therapeutic horseback riding program. To apply for the program or for more info, contact Curt Stacy at cstacy@fpcnashville.org.

For Recreation Ministry info, contact Bryan Miller at bmiller@fpcnashville.org.

Young Adult & College Ministry

Summer Pickleball — Join us for pickleball each Wednesday through August 28, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the Enrichment Center.

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

- High School and Junior High **will meet together** for Festivus on Tuesday, August 6. Join us in saying “goodbye” to our summer interns!

**Leadership Launch for Volunteer Youth Leaders**

Grades 7–8: Saturday, August 17

**Fall Kickoff for Youth and Parents**

- Sunday, August 25: We will begin promptly at 9:30 A.M. inside the EC.
- We’ll have yummy breakfast goodies.
- You’ll meet the teachers and leaders for your youth’s grade.
- You’ll learn about new trips and programs.

*For Youth Ministry info, contact 615-298-9570 or youth@fpcnashville.org.*