



OCTOBER 20, 2019
SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
8:30 and 11:00 AM
GATHERING

OPENING SENTENCES Sarah Bird

†VOLUNTARY arr. Albert Zabel
God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens

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

Leader: On this new morning and in every moment of our lives,

**People: from generation to generation,
we praise Your holy name, O God.**

Leader: Like our ancestors before us,
we proclaim Your greatness to our children.

**People: For we have seen Your deeds of power
and witnessed Your goodness in our lives.**

Leader: As You have opened Your hand to all,
satisfying the desire of every living thing,

**People: open our hearts so that we might share
the gifts we have received from You.**

†*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 331 NATIONAL HYMN
God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand

†WELCOME AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR DISCIPLESHIP Sarah Bird

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

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God,
we take Your mercy for granted.
We think only of ourselves.
We forget the lessons of those who came before us
and ignore our responsibility to those who will follow us.
We grow proud and seek power.
We do not see the destruction of our actions
and how it distances us from You.
We grow weary.
In Christ, hear our confession and bring us home to You.
(A moment for silent confession.)

LORD, HAVE MERCY *Kyrie Eleison*



ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE 581

GLORIA PATRI

THE WORD AND SACRAMENT

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

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

(8:30)

Sarah Bird

Callie & Sinclair Myers are presenting their son, Louis Kestner Myers, for baptism. Assisting Elder: Suzan Hindman

(11:00)

Adam DeVries

Kate Celauro and Mark Schultz are presenting their daughter, Ebbylou Lily Schultz, for baptism. Assisting Elder: Kathy Celauro

†HYMN FOR BAPTISM

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Sarah Bird

**Guide us, O God,
by Your Word and Spirit,
that in Your light we may see light,
in Your truth find freedom,
and in Your will discover Your peace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE READING

Jackson Stone
Deuteronomy 6:1–9, *page 164*

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

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE READING

Sarah Bird
Hebrews 11, *page 225*

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

SERMON

Sarah Bird

Teach Your Children Well

RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

(8:30) John Musgrave

(11:00) Sandra Randleman

The Apostles' Creed (traditional) Hymnal, page 35

*CALL TO PRAYER 764

PELAS DORES DESTE MUNDO

For the Troubles and the Sufferings

For the troubles and the sufferings of the world, God,
we call upon Your mercy: the whole creation's laboring in pain!
Lend an ear to the rising cry for help from oppressed and hopeless
people: come! Hasten Your salvation, healing love!

(The congregation is invited to sing the refrain.)

Refrain

We pray for peace, _____ the bless - ed peace that
We pray for power, _____ the power that will sus -

5
comes from mak - ing jus - tice, _____ to cov - er and em -
tain your peo - ple's wit - ness: _____ un - til your King - dom

9
1. _____ 2. _____
brace us. _____ Have mer - cy, Lord! come, (*Have mer - cy, Lord!*)
come, *Ky - ri - ee - le - i - son!*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

(debts)

Hymnal, page 35

OFFERTORY

arr. Mack Wilberg

My God, My Portion, and My Love

My God, my portion, and my love, my everlasting all,
I've none but Thee in heaven above, or on this earthly ball.
What empty things are all the skies, and this inferior clod!
There's nothing here deserves my joys, there's nothing like my God.
In vain the bright, the burning sun, scatters his feeble light;
'tis Thy sweet beams create my noon; if Thou withdraw, 'tis night.
Let all that dwell above the sky, and air, and earth, and seas, conspire
to lift Thy glories high and speak Thine endless praise.
The whole creation, join in one, to bless the sacred Name,
of Him that sits upon the throne, and to adore the Lamb!

*PRESENTATION AND RESPONSE

Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT 686

SANDON

God of Our Life

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Sarah Bird

*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

Fred Swann

Trumpet Tune

* Those who are able, please stand.

† Latecomers may be seated.

PARTICIPATING IN THE SERVICE

Sarah Bird, Associate Pastor for Discipleship and Engagement

Adam DeVries, Associate Pastor for Youth and Their Families

John Musgrave, Parish Associate

Sandra Randleman,

Associate Pastor for Congregational Care and Missions

Josh Rodriguez, Associate Pastor for Young Adult Ministries

Aleki Ndayishimye, Cross Bearer

Theodore Anderson, Bible Bearer

(8:30) Baptism Buddy: Joyce Mapangala

(8:30) Worship Helper: Julianna Mapangala

(11:00) Baptism Buddy: Parish DeVries

(11:00) Worship Helper: Nealy DeVries

Raphael Bundage, Director of Music

Rhonda Swanson, Assistant Organist

Greg Thomas, Tenor

FPC Handbell Quartet, Don Fisher, Director

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.

TODAY AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

■ **FLOWERS** on the chancel table are given to the glory of God by Mary and Brock Baker in loving memory of her parents, Mr. & Mrs. Robert E. Briggs (Frances).

■ **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.

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

■ **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.

*Make new Worship Friends—introduce people to one another
at the end of the service.*

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

■ **THE TABLE** — The Table is a relaxed worship service rooted in the Reformed tradition. It meets on Sundays in The Gathering Place at 11:00. This morning, Josh Rodriguez is preaching *A Permanent Priest*. All are welcome!

■ **HOLY COMMUNION** will be observed at all morning worship services on Sunday, October 27. Prepare your hearts to celebrate this sign of Christ's love.

■ **CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** — The Session has called a Congregational Meeting for October 27, in order to present to the congregation Mark DeVries' request that he be honorably retired. Mark served as Associate Pastor for Youth and their Families until 2014, and since then has served on a consulting basis. In order for him to be retired, the congregation must vote to concur with his request. The meeting will be held at the conclusion of the sanctuary services at 8:30 and 11:00.

■ **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-tiling the floors in the hallway and the entrance to The Gathering Place. We apologize for the inconvenience.

■ **STEWARDSHIP/GENEROSITY** — The Generosity Team invites you to ask God for three things:

1. Inspiration for us to embrace our mission as a church;
2. Participation by more and more of us in funding the mission;
3. Dedication on your part to being part of that mission.

You soon will receive a mailing with information on the campaign along with a pledge card. You may go online to pledge, place your pledge card in the offering plate, or mail it in. You may also text "Generosity" to 707-475-3005. With our new pastor set to begin this month, it's an exciting season at First Presbyterian. Thank you for investing early in this next chapter of our ministry together!

■ **FALL COMMUNITIES OF BELONGING** — Join us this fall as we launch a new Communities of Belonging program called *Godspeed*. Together, we'll learn how to slow down and invest more fully in our relationships with God and one another. We have nearly 20 different groups meeting at various times throughout the week, so go online and sign up for the one that best fits your schedule. Take time today to register for your group! Feel free to reach out to The Reverend Sarah Bird with any questions at sbird@fpcnashville.org. See you this fall!

ADULT EDUCATION

■ **REFORMATION SUNDAY** — Join us on Reformation Sunday, October 27, at 9:45 A.M., for an all-church adult Sunday School class in Courtenay Hall to hear from our Barry B. Gibbs lecturer this year, Dr. Joe Small. Small is a Presbyterian pastor, author, and denominational leader who will also be preaching at both the 8:30 and 11:00 A.M. worship services. Most noteworthy among Small's achievements has been the development of theological papers — "Is Christ Divided?" and "Hope in the Lord Jesus Christ" — that have helped the PC(USA) find consensus to settle major disputes. We hope you will come hear from our guest Dr. Small!

■ **ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL** — Questions? Contact Sarah Bird at sbird@fpcnashville.org or 615-298-9518, or check us out online at fpcnashville.org.

Coffee & Bible <i>OHS L-204</i>	Romans	All ages
Cornerstone <i>Vance Hall</i>	Biblical topics/ <i>Godspeed</i>	Parents of school-aged children
Current Issues <i>OHS L-200</i>	Scripture and current events	All ages
Discipleship <i>Witherspoon</i>	Acts of the Apostles	All ages
Enneagram <i>Jones Session Rm.</i>	Enneagram Journey Part 2	Register online
Family Fellowship <i>Memorial Library</i>	Discussion; <i>Luke for Everyone</i> (N.T. Wright)	Singles & couples with young children
Good News <i>OHS L-207</i>	Life and teaching of the Apostle Paul	All ages
June Ramsey <i>CH Living Rm.</i>	Guest lecturers	All ages
Logos <i>Chapel</i>	Lecture: <i>Surprised by Hope</i> (N.T. Wright)	All ages

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY AND NURSERY

■ **AGENCY OF THE MONTH: THE LITTLE PANTRY THAT COULD** — We are collecting canned fruits and vegetables during the month of October.

■ **CHILDREN'S CHOIR** resumes this week, October 20, at 4:00 P.M. in Grundy Hall. If you haven't yet registered, don't worry — it's not too late to join us. For more information, visit music.fpcnashville.org/children/childrens-music/.

■ 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.*

CONGREGATIONAL CARE MINISTRY

■ **SYMPATHY** — The First Presbyterian Church family extends sympathy to:

- Kim & Don Rogers, on the death of their son, Kodie Donald Rogers, who died on October 10.

■ **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. Contact Sandra Randleman at 615-298-9502 or srandleman@fpcnashville.org for additional information.

MISSION MINISTRY

■ **MISSION SPOTLIGHT: HOPE AND LIFE MINISTRY** — While in prison, Wayne received a clear calling from the Lord "to be an evangelist to the highways, the byways, and the hedges." Hope and Life Ministry was formed by a group of men and women who believe in Wayne and the calling God gave him and saw the need in the East Nashville area for the gospel to go out on a "one on one" basis in the trenches and share God's word. For more information, contact Missions at missions@fpcnashville.org.

■ **HABITAT FOR HUMANITY** — This is the 19th year that First Presbyterian Church has sponsored a Habitat home. You may not be aware, but in partnership with Habitat for Humanity, our First Presbyterian Church congregation contributes \$64,000 to purchase the materials to build the home, and our volunteers work alongside the homeowners with Habitat's guidance and supervision. Please join us on weekends from October 19 through November 10 and share in the experience of building someone not just a house, but a home and a new start. Thank you for your generosity!

■ **ROOM IN THE INN: VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** — Each winter, First Presbyterian houses 14 men every Wednesday night in the Canon Center for a hot evening meal, a place to sleep, breakfast, and a lunch to take with them for the next day. We need volunteers to 1) stay overnight, 2) prepare a quick breakfast, 3) prepare a sandwich for a sack lunch, and 4) drive the van to pick up and drop off guests. Room In The Inn begins Wednesday, November 6, and goes through March. Sign-up sheets are in Courtenay Hall, or contact Annette Crout at 615-298-9507 or missions@fpcnashville.org.

■ **JAMAICA 2020 MISSION TRIP** — February 8–15. This year’s mission is looking for dentists and construction help to continue the expansion of our sister church, the Ebenezer Church. Trip costs will be approximately \$1,250-\$1,350. Deadline for registration and deposit is due by December 15. J.T. Martin is the trip leader. To join this amazing mission, contact Annette Crout at 615-298-9507 or missions@fpcnashville.org.

■ **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

■ **12:20 CONCERT** — Join us after the 11:00 worship service on Sunday, November 3 for the season opener of the series. Claire Boling Paschal, Sara Crigger, Derek Meler and Greg Thomas will be performing the music of W.A. Mozart with our new Organist, Peter Rogahn, accompanying.

OLDER ADULT MINISTRY

■ **COMMUNITIES OF BELONGING** — Tuesdays, October 22 and 29, at 2:00 P.M., Memorial Library. We will use a study guide called *Godspeed*. It features writers like N.T. Wright and Eugene Peterson, discussing the need for us to slow down and to take time to know one another and be known by one another. Hal Sauer and Brenda Geise will be leaders.

■ **SUNDAY LUNCH** — Today, following the 11:00 A.M. worship service, at Vittles in Brentwood. We will meet in the foyer and ride the church bus. Registration required.

RECREATION MINISTRY

■ **YOUTH BASKETBALL REGISTRATION NOW OPEN** — Registration is now open for our fall/winter youth basketball league! Kindergarten through 6th grade ballers will play seven games. Grab your friends and get ready to hoop it up this fall. Head to rec.fpcnashville.org/childrens-basketball/ for more information. The season runs from October 26 through December 14. Email David Tippett at dtippett@fpcnashville.org for more information!

■ **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.

■ **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

■ **THE TABLE WORSHIP NIGHT** — Join in a quiet evening of singing, praying, and journaling. Receive the invitation to rest in the presence of your Savior. November 14, 7:00 P.M, The Gathering Place.

■ **BARNABAS TRIP** — November 5–7. Josh will be visiting Rhodes, Ole Miss, Auburn, Alabama, and Samford.

■ **TITANS GAME** — Come hang out with us at the Titans Game today! Registration required.

■ **ME MORNINGS** — ME Mornings meet Thursday mornings from 9:30 to 11:00 A.M. Come join us in The Gathering Place!

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

YOUTH MINISTRY

■ **JUNIOR HIGH SMALL GROUP** — Wednesdays from 6:30 to 7:30 P.M. Join Angelina, Ben, and volunteer leaders in the youth offices for dinner and small group! Bring \$5 for dinner.

■ **HIGH SCHOOL SMALL GROUP** — Sundays from 6:30 to 8:15 P.M., in The Gathering Place. Bring \$5 for dinner.

■ **GUYS' ST. LOUIS RETREAT** — January 31 to February 2.

■ **GIRLS' BEACH RETREAT** — February 14 to 17. Email youth@fpcnashville.org if you are interested in attending! These trips fill up fast!

■ **EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT** for Youth Mission Trips has ended! Normal registration has begun—register today!

- **Spring Break Mission Trip to Waco, Texas** — March 14–20
- **High School West Virginia** — May 31–June 5, 2020 (Seniors depart May 29)
- **Junior High Great Escape** — June 7–12, 2020
- **Mystery Trip for Graduated Seniors** — June 18–25, 2020

Every youth is required to have an online release form completed in order to participate in FPC activities! Please check the website, complete the online release form, and email youth@fpcnashville.org with a photo of the front and back of your insurance card. Thank you!

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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