



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
Church of Nashville

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Youth Sunday

May 1, 2022



For Christ, for His kingdom, and for the common good. Since 1814.

WORDS OF PREPARATION

On any given Sunday the congregation stands in response to this question during the baptism of a child: "Do you promise on behalf of the church universal, to guide and give Christian nurture to [children and youth] and [their] parents by word and deed, with love and prayer, encouraging [them] to know and follow Christ and be faithful members of his Church? If you so promise, please stand." Today is Youth Sunday. They stand before you today leading worship because you've stood for them.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

†VOLUNTARY

I Sing a Song of the Saints of God (Grand Isle)
Gerre Hancock

WELCOME

Jack Keller (8:30)
Fred Peters (11:00)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Claiborne Sifford

Leader: Called by God, we have come to worship.

People: Called by Christ, we have come to follow.

Leader: Come, rest your spirits in the Lord.

People: We come, hungering and thirsting for the fullness of God.

Leader: This is a place of peace and hope, where all may be fed and healed.

People: Bring us to the time of healing.

Leader: Called by the Spirit, place your trust in God who always draws near you.

People: Open our hearts, Lord, to hear your word and feel your presence.

*†OPENING HYMN 65

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah
CWM RHONDDA

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

Hayes Bainbridge

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Max Hastings, Pierce Hill, Walker Lenderman

FIRST LESSON | Ephesians 3:16–21 (page 977)

Stephen Johnson

¹⁶ ...according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, ¹⁷ so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, ¹⁸ may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, ¹⁹ and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. ²⁰ Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, ²¹ to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

CALL TO CONFESSION

Edward Hull

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We confess to you, Almighty God, that we do not always acknowledge you as Lord of all the earth. Like Peter, we have denied you. Unlike Peter, we have denied you more than three times. Forgive us and redeem us, for we have not allowed your presence to shine through us with compassion and kindness to our fellow men and women. You, O God, are able to do abundantly more than we can ask or imagine. Nothing is impossible for you. By the power of your Holy Spirit, root us and ground us in communion with you, that Christ may dwell in our hearts through faith. Strengthen us to comprehend and to know with all the saints the dimensions of your love, that we may be filled with all your fullness, God, displaying your glory through all generations. Amen.

A moment for silent confession.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*RESPONSE OF GRATITUDE

Glory Be to the Father
GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH | Apostles' Creed

James Johnson

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Whether you are a longtime member or a guest, please mark your presence by signing the friendship pad and greet those seated near you as you pass it along.

‡BLESSING OF THE YOUNG DISCIPLES

Wesley Carlton

During the 8:30 and 11:00 services, children who are age 4, 5, or 6 (not in 1st grade) are invited to join Young Children & Worship.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

PRESENTATION OF CHILD

Rev. Josh Rodriguez (8:30)
Dr. Ryan Moore (11:00)

(8:30) Lauren and Tyler Wilson are presenting their son, Bradley John Wilson, for baptism. Assisting Elder is John Hollins Jr.

(11:00) Ashley and Chris Geer are presenting their son, Graves Christopher Geer, for baptism. Assisting Elder is Ellie Billington.

BAPTISMAL QUESTIONS

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

THE BAPTISM

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING | John 21:1–19 (page 907)

Matthew Hyde

¹After this Jesus revealed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias, and he revealed himself in this way. ² Simon Peter, Thomas (called the Twin), Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples were together. ³ Simon Peter said to them, “I am going fishing.” They said to him, “We will go with you.” They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. ⁴ Just as day was breaking, Jesus stood on the shore; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. ⁵ Jesus said to them, “Children, do you have any fish?” They answered him, “No.” ⁶ He said to them, “Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some.” So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in, because of the quantity of fish. ⁷ That disciple whom Jesus loved therefore said to Peter, “It is the Lord!” When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his outer garment, for he was stripped for work, and threw himself into the sea. ⁸ The other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, but about a hundred yards off. ⁹ When they got out on land, they saw a charcoal fire in place, with fish laid out on it, and bread. ¹⁰ Jesus said to them, “Bring some of the fish that you have just caught.” ¹¹ So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, 153 of them. And although there were so many, the net was not torn. ¹² Jesus said to them, “Come and have breakfast.” Now none of the disciples dared ask him, “Who are you?” They knew it was the Lord. ¹³ Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and so with the fish. ¹⁴ This was now the third time that Jesus was revealed to the disciples after he was raised from the dead. ¹⁵ When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, “Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?” He said to him, “Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.” He said to him, “Feed my lambs.” ¹⁶ He said to him a second time, “Simon, son of John, do you love me?” He said to him, “Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.” He said to him, “Tend my sheep.” ¹⁷ He said to him the third time, “Simon, son of John, do you love me?” Peter was grieved because he said to him the third time, “Do you love me?” and he said to him, “Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.” Jesus said to him, “Feed my sheep. ¹⁸ Truly, truly, I say to you, when you were young, you used to dress yourself and walk wherever you wanted, but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will dress you and carry you where you do not want to go.” ¹⁹ (This he said to show by what kind of death he was to glorify God.) And after saying this he said to him, “Follow me.”

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Come As You Are

Marshall Wilt, Sabrina Russell,
Braden Zeigler, Caroline Bryan

“Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask..” —Ephesians 3:20

OFFERTORY

Come As You Are

Ben Glover, David Crowder, Matt Maher

Come out of sadness from wherever you’ve been. Come broken hearted, let rescue begin. Come find your mercy, oh sinner come kneel. Earth has no sorrow that heaven can’t heal, so lay down your burdens; lay down your shame. All who are broken, lift up your face. Oh wanderer come home. You’re not too far. So lay down your hurt, lay down your heart. Come as you are: there’s hope for the hopeless and all those who’ve strayed. Come sit at the table, come taste the grace. There’s rest for the weary, rest that endures. Earth has no sorrow that heaven can’t cure, so lay down your burdens; lay down your shame. All who are broken, lift up your face. Oh wanderer come home. You’re not too far. Lay down your hurt, lay down your

heart. Come as you are. Come as you are. Fall in his arms. Come as you are. There's joy for the morning!
Oh sinner be still, Earth has no sorrow that heaven can't heal. Earth has no sorrow that heaven can't heal.
So lay down your burdens, lay down your shame. All who are broken, lift up your face. Oh wanderer
come home. You're not too far. So lay down your hurt. Lay down your heart. Come as you are.

*As you reflect on the Lord's goodness, you can make an offering by dropping your gift
in the offering plate, texting "GIVE" to 707-475-3005, or donating online at fpcnashville.org.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Fred Peters

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on
earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our
debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the
power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

*CLOSING HYMN 730

I Sing a Song of the Saints of God
GRAND ISLE

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Rev. Adam DeVries

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Go, My Children, with My Blessing
AR HYD Y NOS

**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.**

*CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah
Paul Manz

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

PARTICIPANTS IN THE SERVICE

Adam DeVries – *Associate Pastor for Youth & Their Families*
Peter Rogahn, DM – *Organist and Assistant Director of Music*
Rhonda Swanson, MM – *Assistant Organist*
Stephen King – *Guitar*

YOUTH PARTICIPANTS

Welcome: Jack Keller
Minute for Mission: Max Hastings, Pierce Hill, Walker Lenderman
Scripture Readers: Matthew Hyde, Stephen Johnson
Prayer of Confession: Edward Hull
Affirmation of Faith: James Johnson
Children's Time: Hayes Bainbridge, Wesley Carlton, Cabot Hyde, Claiborne Sifford
Sermons: Caroline Bryan, Sabrina Russell, Marshall Wilt, Braden Zeigler
Offering: Carter Gold, Wilson Ridenour, Andrew Schramkowski
Prayers of the People: Fred Peters

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Flowers in the chancel are given to the glory of God and in honor of our high school seniors.

YOUTH MINISTRY SUMMER PROGRAMMING

This summer is filled with ways for youth (rising 7th–12th graders) to play, serve, connect with one another, and worship God. Whether you're at home all summer, working, or only in town for a few weeks, find a spot to join the summer fun at FPC. For more information visit linktr.ee/fpcnashyouth or contact youth@fpcnashville.org.

WEEKLY

Festivus Youth Group | Wednesday nights, June 15–August 10

Youth Sunday School | Sundays | 9:40 a.m.

Girls Weekly Bible Study | mid-June & July

Guys Weekly Bible Study | mid-June & July

SUMMER TRIPS

Camp FPC | rising 7th–8th grade | May 29–June 1

Seniors Leave for West Virginia | rising 12th grade | June 3

West Virginia Mission Trip | rising 9th–11th grade | June 5–10

Barefoot Republic Camp | rising 7th–8th grade | June 13–18

Mystery Trip | graduated seniors | June 24–June 28

SPECIAL EVENTS

Sounds Game | Friday, June 24

Top Golf | Friday, July 1

Girls Lake Trip | Friday & Saturday, July 8–9

Guys St. Louis Trip | Friday & Saturday, July 8–9

Skate Night | Thursday, July 14

Ocoee Rafting Day Trip | Saturday, July 16

Mario Kart Melee | Thursday, July 21

GoKart Fest | Friday, July 29

Dollywood Day Trip | Monday, August 1

NaCoMe Retreat | Saturday & Sunday, August 6–7

End of Summer Movie Night | Monday, August 8

MUSIC NOTES

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COVER IMAGE

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Presbyterian Women Spring Gathering | May 10 | 6:00 p.m. | Home of Mary Barfield | Cost: \$20

The Presbyterian Women Spring Gathering is a time for fellowship and reflection on the past year. Join us Tuesday, May 10, as we enjoy dinner together, thank our outgoing leadership, welcome our new leaders and incoming moderator, and name the recipient of the PW Lifetime Achievement Award. Please note that parking is not available at the Barfield home; shuttles will be provided from the parking area across from Belle Meade Country Club. Find the complete parking information at linktr.ee/fpcnashville. Today is the last day to register, and we will accept in-person registrations in Courtenay Hall between morning worship services, or you can register online linktr.ee/fpcnashville.

New Sunday School Led by Stuart and Josh | Sundays, May 1–June 26 | 9:45 a.m. | Stanford Chapel

Beginning this Sunday, Dr. Stuart Gordon and Rev. Josh Rodriguez will teach a class titled *Reasons to Believe (or Not): Faith Among Vampires*. Using the Netflix series *Midnight Mass*, we will look at the life of Riley Flynn, a young adult who has lost his childhood faith. Each week's class will feature scripture, cultural analysis, and reflection on Christian mission. Riley Flynn wrestles with all the issues that Christians encounter in our day: the reality of evil, the presence of people of other faiths, the "disenchantment" of the world in this age of science, sensitivity to the abuses of religious power, and the question of personal autonomy in matters of identity. Stuart and Josh invite you to join them in the Stanford Chapel in May and June for this special study. Find the full listing of Sunday School classes at linktr.ee/fpcnashville.

One-Day Inquirers Class | Saturday, May 14 | 9:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. | Jones Session Room — The next Inquirers Class will be offered as a morning retreat on Saturday, May 14. If you are interested in joining the class or just learning more about membership at First Presbyterian, reach out to Rev. Sarah Bird Kneff (sbird@fpcnashville.org).

Karen Fitts Retirement Celebration | Sunday, May 22 | 12:00 p.m. | Courtenay Hall — The entire congregation is invited to join us following worship as we honor Karen Fitts for her faithful service as Nursery Coordinator. Light refreshments will be served.

Spring Worship on the Porch | Sundays through May 22 | 5:30 p.m. | Front Porch — On Sunday evenings this spring, Rev. Sarah Bird Kneff and Rev. Josh Rodriguez lead a family-friendly worship service outdoors in front of the Sanctuary. Rooted in the Reformed tradition, Raquel Warchol leads contemporary worship music for all ages. Bring a picnic blanket or your favorite lawn chair. In the event of inclement weather, the service will be held in Stanford Chapel.

Shop at Bookmarks, Our Church Bookstore — FPC's bookstore is open every Sunday morning from 9:30 a.m. to noon and is located across from Courtenay Hall. Check out the selections they have by church member authors, as well as greeting cards, books for children and adults, and gift items. The Pastor Picks section includes books recommended by our pastoral staff. Proceeds support the mission efforts of Presbyterian Women.

Officer Nominations — The Officer Nominating Committee is soliciting recommendations from the members of First Presbyterian Church for persons to be considered to serve in the offices of Elder and Deacon for the Class of 2025. Please prayerfully consider submitting a recommendation for this important and vital service for your church. The deadline for recommending nominees is May 1, 2022. To submit a nomination, find an online form at linktr.ee/fpcnashville or a printed form on the tables in the Narthex and Hospitality Center.

Employment Opportunities — First Presbyterian Church is accepting applications for the following open positions: Youth Director, Human Resources Coordinator, Graphic Designer/Creative Coordinator, Communications Manager, Nursery Coordinator, Nursery Attendants, and Early Preschool Educators/Support Educators (school-year schedule). Read more about these positions and learn how to apply by visiting fpcnashville.org/work-us/.

Children's Education Hour Location Changes — Programming for 1st–6th graders has moved from the Enrichment Center to classrooms in the Oak Hill School C-Wing during the Education Hour (9:45–10:45 a.m.). After hearing helpful feedback from families, the Children's Ministry team has adjusted the Sunday morning locations to reestablish relationships within grade levels, reconnect with parent volunteers, and meet the needs of parents with children in Bible Time and nursery care. Below is an outline of where different ages will be during the Sunday School hour:

1st grade | Room C 101
2nd grade | Room C 109

3rd grade | Room C 110
4th grade | Room C 112

5th grade | Room C 114
6th grade | Room C 104

First Presbyterian Church extends a warm welcome in the name of Christ to all who worship with us today. Since 1814 First Presbyterian has sought to be faithful in service to Jesus Christ and the common good. We are rooted in the Reformed, orthodox, and evangelical traditions of the larger church. If you do not have a church home, we would love to welcome you!

Hearing Assistance App Directions: Join WiFi network. You must be connected to this network for the app to work. Network Name: FPC Guest; Password: GreenRock-81. Download the WaveCAST app. Open the app and select “First Pres Sanctuary.” Plug in your headphones and adjust the volume to your preference.

Children of all ages are invited to worship alongside their families and **worship activity bags** are provided at each entrance to the Sanctuary. **Young Children & Worship** meets in room CW-110 in the Children’s Ministry Wing. Parents pick up at the door of Grundy after 8:30 a.m. worship or children can stay for Education Hour. After the 11:00 a.m. service parents pick up at the door of CW-110 after worship. **Nursery care** for children ages 0–3 is available from 8:15 a.m.–12:15 p.m. Check-in and pickup for nursery care are both located at the nursery entrance near Courtenay Lounge. The **Mother and Infant Quiet Room** is located in the Nursery Wing.

To **livestream** worship and special events or view past services, visit youtube.com/firstpresbyterianchurchofnashville.

INTERESTED IN GETTING MORE CONNECTED?

For most of us, the past few years have been filled with uncertainty. As a church family, we have seen with new clarity how essential it is for us to gather for worship, fellowship, and study. If you are new to our community, we would love to get to know you and welcome you personally into the life and ministry of First Presbyterian Church. Whether you are a guest or a longtime member, fill out the Connect Card to get more involved, update your contact information, or sign up for church communications. Drop your completed Connect Card in the offering plate so we can follow up!



STAY CONNECTED

News, events, and church information is sent weekly through the Parish News email. To subscribe, email communications@fpcnashville.org

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Call 615-383-1815

The pastoral staff is here for you. Contact us if you would appreciate a pastoral visit/call, have pastoral care needs, would like to be on a prayer list, or if you are in the hospital. Prayer requests can be confidential and limited to the pastors.