



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN  
Church of Nashville

DAY OF PENTECOST  
*June 5, 2022*



## WORDS OF PREPARATION

*The New Testament...is self-consistent in one great truth. There can be no doubt about the full and genuine and individual humanity of the man Jesus of Nazareth, but in that man there has entered in and there must be recognized and respected One who is qualitatively different from all other men. He is not simply a better man, a more gifted or a more wise or noble or pious, in short a greater man. But against all other men and their differences we have in the person of this man One who is their Lord and Lawgiver and Judge. ...The New Testament community does not merely think, but lives and acts in the knowledge and on the presupposition that in this man "dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily."*

—Karl Barth

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

†VOLUNTARY

*Veni Creator Spiritus*  
Libby Larsen

## WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: The love of God has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us;

**All: We dwell in him and he in us.**

Pastor: Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name;

**All: Make known his deeds among the peoples.**

Pastor: Sing to him, sing praises to him,

**All: And speak of all his marvelous works.**

Pastor: Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty,

**All: Who was and is and is to come!**

\*†OPENING HYMN 2

*Come, Thou Almighty King*  
ITALIAN HYMN

\*PRAYER OF ADORATION

David Hill (8:30)  
Lindsay Ison (11:00)

## FIRST LESSON | Isaiah 30:18–22 (page 591)

<sup>18</sup> Therefore the Lord waits to be gracious to you, and therefore he exalts himself to show mercy to you. For the Lord is a God of justice; blessed are all those who wait for him. <sup>19</sup> For a people shall dwell in Zion, in Jerusalem; you shall weep no more. He will surely be gracious to you at the sound of your cry. As soon as he hears it, he answers you. <sup>20</sup> And though the Lord give you the bread of adversity and the water of affliction, yet your Teacher will not hide himself anymore, but your eyes shall see your Teacher. <sup>21</sup> And your ears shall hear a word behind you, saying, "This is the way, walk in it," when you turn to the right or when you turn to the left. <sup>22</sup> Then you will defile your carved idols overlaid with silver and your gold-plated metal images. You will scatter them as unclean things. You will say to them, "Be gone!"

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

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CALL TO CONFESSION

Dr. Sandra Randleman

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ, our Lord. 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 | Heidelberg Catechism Q & A 51, 53

Pastor: What benefit do we receive from this glory of Christ, our Head?

**All: First, that through the Holy Spirit he pours out heavenly gifts upon us, his members. Second, that by his power he defends and supports us against all our enemies.**

Pastor: What do you believe concerning “the Holy Spirit”?

**All: First, that, with the Father and the Son, he is equally eternal God; second, that God’s Spirit is also given to me, preparing me through a true faith to share in Christ and all his benefits, that he comforts me and will abide with me forever.**

*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

Evelyn Ison

*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.*

HYMN OF PREPARATION 688

*Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart*  
MORECAMBE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING | Colossians 2:1–10 (page 983)

<sup>1</sup> For I want you to know how great a struggle I have for you and for those at Laodicea and for all who have not seen me face to face, <sup>2</sup> that their hearts may be encouraged, being knit together in love, to reach all the riches of full assurance of understanding and the knowledge of God’s mystery, which is Christ, <sup>3</sup> in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. <sup>4</sup> I say this in order that no one may delude you with plausible arguments. <sup>5</sup> For though I am absent in body, yet I am with you in spirit, rejoicing to see your good order and the firmness of your faith in Christ. <sup>6</sup> Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him, <sup>7</sup> rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving. <sup>8</sup> See to it that no one takes you captive by philosophy and empty deceit,

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according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the world, and not according to Christ.  
9 For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, 10 and you have been filled in him, who is the head  
of all rule and authority.

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

SERMON

**Mixing Metaphors**

Dr. Ryan Moore

*Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord,  
so walk in him, rooted and built up in him... —Colossians 2:6–7*

OFFERTORY

*O Spirit All-Embracing*  
Richard Proulx

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.

*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 [spcnashville.org](http://spcnashville.org).*

COMMISSIONING OF YOUTH MISSION TRIP (8:30)

Dr. Stuart Gordon

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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 643

*Now Thank We All Our God*  
NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE

*Go My Children*  
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

*Fantasia super: Komm, heiliger Geist, BWV 651*  
(Come, Holy Ghost)  
Johann Sebastian Bach

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

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## PARTICIPANTS IN THE SERVICE

Ryan Moore, PhD – *Pastor*

Stuart Gordon, DMin – *Executive Pastor*

Sandra Randleman, DMin – *Associate Pastor for Congregational Care & Missions*

Peter Rogahn, DMA – *Organist and Assistant Director of Music*

Rhonda Swanson, MM – *Assistant Organist*

Greg Thomas – *Guest Music Director*

## SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Flowers in the chancel are given to the glory of God in and in celebration of the marriage of Mary Ann Wagster and John Marcelli.

## MUSIC NOTES

While *Veni Creator Spiritus* is a Sarum plainsong from the ninth century, today's opening voluntary has been realized by a contemporary writer. Libby Larsen (born 1950), co-founder (with Stephen Paulus) of the Minnesota Composers Forum, has created a body of over 500 works spanning virtually every genre from vocal and chamber music to orchestra works and over 15 operas.

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## COVER IMAGE

Anonymous, Plaque with the Pentecost, ca. 1150–75, Champlévé and translucent enamel on copper gilt, 4.0625 x 4.0625", The Cloisters Collection, 1965, New York, <https://www.metmuseum.org/art/collection/search/470307>.

## GIVING

You can make a gift or fulfill a pledge payment by dropping your gift in the offering plate, texting "GIVE" to 707-475-3005, donating online at [fpcnashville.org](http://fpcnashville.org), or scan the QR code.



**Children's Sunday School** — Elementary Sunday School will continue to meet in C-Wing this summer. As many of our friends travel, we will combine grade levels. 1st-3rd graders will meet in room C-101. 4th-6th graders will meet in room C-104. PreK & Kindergarten Sunday School will meet in Grundy Hall.

**Youth Sunday School** — Our youth directors, Ben Dreher and Anna Kate Lowry, and summer youth interns, Ellie Ford and Thomas Laws, lead Sunday School for rising 7th-12th grades. Sunday School meets weekly at 9:40 a.m. in the Gathering Place. Youth start together every week for announcements, a group game, worship, and testimony before they split into classes.

**College Sunday School | Bryant Conference Room | June 5–July 31** — College students home for summer break are invited to join leader Trajan Carney in the Bryant Conference room every Sunday through July 31.

**Adult Sunday School** — Many classes have scheduling changes over the summer. Find locations and summer schedules for each class below. For class descriptions and more information on Adult Sunday School, visit [linktr.ee/fpcnashville](http://linktr.ee/fpcnashville).

**Cornerstone Class** | Vance Hall | Meets through July 31; resumes Sept. 18

**Discipleship Class** | Witherspoon Room | Meets during summer months

**Family Fellowship Class** | Jones Session Room | Meets during summer months

**Good News Class** | Room L-207 | Meets during summer months

**June Ramsey Class** | Cheek House Living Room | Meets during summer months

**LOGOS Class** | Stanford Chapel | Meets during summer months

### WELCOME

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!

**Join us downstairs** in Courtenay Lounge between services for coffee and doughnuts.

**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 for ages 4–6. 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](http://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!



**Movie on the Lawn | Wednesday, June 8 | 6:00 p.m. | Front Fields** — Join us Wednesday, June 8, for games and a movie viewing on the lawn. Activities will begin with lawn games and frozen treats starting at 6:00 p.m. followed by popcorn and Disney's *Encanto* after sunset at 8:00 p.m. Bring your family and friends and a blanket or lawn chair. This is a free event with no registration required. Questions? Contact Shelley Eberle at [seberle@fpcnashville.org](mailto:seberle@fpcnashville.org).

**Presbyterian Women Summer Circles | June 14 & July 12 | 11:00 a.m. | Cheek House Living Room** — All women are invited to two summer sessions as we finish the study of Adam Hamilton's book, *Half Truths*. All PW circles will join together in the Cheek House Living Room on June 14 and July 12 at 11:00 a.m.

**Volunteer with VBS** — Vacation Bible School is back this summer and the entire church family is invited to dive into our deep-sea theme where kids will explore the deep love of God. Volunteers of all ages and life stages can support the work of VBS in a variety of ways. VBS will be Tuesday–Thursday, July 26–28 in the evening, beginning with an optional family dinner at 5:00 p.m., followed by VBS programming from 6:00–8:15 p.m. Volunteer opportunities are available based on affinity and/or availability! If you can't volunteer, please join us in praying for VBS. To learn more or to become a VBS prayer partner, visit [childrens.fpcnashville.org/vbs](http://childrens.fpcnashville.org/vbs). Questions? Contact Mallory Hammond at [mhammond@fpcnashville.org](mailto:mhammond@fpcnashville.org).

**Medical Lending Closet** — The Lending Closet is a ministry of First Presbyterian Church that accepts donations of used equipment such as wheelchairs and walkers for use by anyone who may have a need for these items. Recipients may use the equipment as long as needed, then return it to the Lending Closet. If you have items to donate, or if you have need of an item, please contact the church's front desk at (615) 383-1815. Call to arrange delivery of large items. Small items can be brought to the front desk. A tax-deductible receipt is available from the church office. The Lending Closet currently has available: walkers, wheelchairs, shower seats, crutches, toilet chairs, walking canes, etc.

## CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

**Deep Sea VBS: Exploring the Deep Love of God | Tuesday–Thursday, July 26–28 | 5:00 p.m. dinner; 6:00–8:15 p.m. VBS program** — VBS returns this summer in a new evening format! Children age 4 through rising 4th graders will explore the deep love of God through Bible stories, skits, music, crafts and a fun Splash Party on Thursday. Families will gather at 5:00 p.m. for an optional dinner, and the VBS program will begin each night at 6:00 p.m. Register at [childrens.fpcnashville.org/vbs](http://childrens.fpcnashville.org/vbs).

## YOUTH

**Youth Ministry Summer Programming** — This summer is filled with ways for youth (rising 7–12 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 in on summer fun at FPC. Find the complete list at [linktr.ee/fpcnashyouth](http://linktr.ee/fpcnashyouth).

## MISSIONS

**Blood Drive | Wednesday, June 15 | 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. | Courtenay Hall** — The Red Cross is experiencing the worst blood shortage in over a decade. First Presbyterian Church is known to the Red Cross as a generous and reliable source of blood donations. With your support on June 15, we can continue to aid in their life-giving work, which is especially vital during the pandemic. Sign up at [linktr.ee/fpcnashville](http://linktr.ee/fpcnashville)

## MUSIC

**12:20 Concert | Sunday, June 12 | Sanctuary** — Join us next Sunday, June 12, after the 11:00 worship service for a voice recital. FPC singers Ryan Bede, Sara Crigger, Claire Paschal, and Kevin Salter will be performing a mix of music from opera to Broadway with Peter Rogahn accompanying.

## LOOKING AHEAD

**July 10** — **Baby Shower for Sarah and Michael Kneff** | 12:00–1:00 p.m. | Courtenay Hall

PASTORAL STAFF &  
MINISTRY LEADERS



**Dr. Ryan Moore**  
*Pastor & Head of Staff*



**Dr. Stuart Gordon**  
*Executive Pastor*



**Rev. Sarah Bird Kneff**  
*Associate Pastor for  
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**Rev. Adam DeVries**  
*Associate Pastor for  
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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.



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