



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
Church of Nashville

FOURTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST

June 25, 2023

8:30 & 11:00 a.m.



To know Christ, to make Him known and to exhibit His love through worship, education and service.

WORDS OF PREPARATION

Costly grace is the gospel which must be sought again and again, the gift which must be asked for, the door at which a man must knock. Such grace is costly because it calls us to follow, and it is grace because it calls us to follow Jesus Christ. It is costly because it costs a man his life, and it is grace because it gives a man the only true life. It is costly because it condemns sin, and grace because it justifies the sinner. Above all, it is costly because it cost God the life of his Son: “ye were bought at a price,” and what has cost God much cannot be cheap for us. Above all, it is grace because God did not reckon his Son too dear a price to pay for our life, but delivered him up for us. Costly grace is the Incarnation of God.

—Dietrich Bonhoeffer

ORDER OF WORSHIP

†VOLUNTARY

Adagio from Three Pieces for Organ
Frank Bridge

WELCOME

Dr. Ryan Moore

†INTROIT

O Lord Open Thou Our Lips
Richard Webster

O Lord, open thou our lips and our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

*CALL TO WORSHIP | Psalm 86:8–10

Dr. John Musgrave (8:30)
Mallory Hammond (11:00)

Pastor: There is none like you among the gods, O LORD,

All: Nor are there any works like yours.

Pastor: All the nations you have made shall come and worship before you, O LORD, and shall glorify your name.

All: For you are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God.

*†OPENING HYMN 363

Rejoice, the Lord Is King!
DARWALL'S 148TH

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

Hawkins Russell (8:30)
Cadman and Lillian Yarbrough (11:00)

FIRST LESSON | Romans 6:1b–11 (page 942)

¹ Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? ² By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? ³ Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴ We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. ⁵ For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶ We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so

that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷ For one who has died has been set free from sin. ⁸ Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹ We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. ¹⁰ For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. ¹¹ So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

CALL TO CONFESSION

Dr. Sandra Randleman

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts: cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to you, confessing our faults, confiding in your grace, and finding in you our refuge and strength; through Jesus Christ your Son.

A moment for silent confession.

*RESPONSE OF GRATITUDE 581

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

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

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Dr. Ryan Moore (8:30)
Dr. Stuart Gordon (11:00)

PRESENTATION OF CHILD

(8:30) Jennings Harlan Ragan and Taylor Rye Ragan are presenting their daughter, Mary Jennings Ragan, for baptism. Mickey Martin, Assisting Elder.

(8:30) Kathleen Robbins Traines and Edward Jonathan Traines are presenting their son, Jackson Edward Traines for baptism. Mickey Martin, Assisting Elder.

(11:00) Megan Dolyniuk Koch and Stewart Davenport Koch are presenting their daughter, Anne McLain Koch, for baptism. John Eason, Assisting Elder.

BAPTISMAL QUESTIONS

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

THE BAPTISM

‡During the 8:30 and 11:00 services, PreK and Kindergarten children (ages 4–6) are invited to join Young Children & Worship.

HYMN OF PREPARATION

In Christ Alone
GETTY | TOWNEND

**In Christ alone my hope is found; he is my light, my strength, my song;
this cornerstone, this solid ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My comforter, my all in all, here in the love of Christ I stand.**

**In Christ alone, who took on flesh, fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness, scorned by the ones he came to save.
Till on that cross as Jesus died, the wrath of God was satisfied;
for every sin on him was laid; here in the death of Christ I live.**

**There in the ground his body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain;
then bursting forth in glorious day, up from the grave he rose again!
And as he stands in victory, sin's curse has lost its grip on me;
for I am his, and he is mine, bought with the precious blood of Christ.**

**No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the power of Christ in me;
from life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man, can ever pluck me from his hand;
till he returns or calls me home, here in the power of Christ I'll stand.**

SCRIPTURE READING | Matthew 10:24–39 (page 815)

²⁴ “A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his master. ²⁵ It is enough for the disciple to be like his teacher, and the servant like his master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household. ²⁶ “So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known. ²⁷ What I tell you in the dark, say in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops. ²⁸ And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. ²⁹ Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. ³⁰ But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. ³¹ Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows. ³² So everyone who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven, ³³ but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny before my Father who is in heaven. ³⁴ “Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth. I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. ³⁵ For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law. ³⁶ And a person's enemies will be those of his own household. ³⁷ Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me. ³⁸ And whoever does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me. ³⁹ Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

Losing and Finding

Gage Arnold

“Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.”—Matthew 10:39

OFFERTORY

Go Not Far From Me O God (Psalm 71:12, 8, 7)

Nicola Zingerelli; arr. John Holler

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 honour all the day long.

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

Dr. Stuart Gordon

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 839

Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!

ASSURANCE

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

Amen

Peter Lutkin

*CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Allegro Con Spirito from Three Pieces for Organ

Frank Bridge

** Those who are able, please stand.*

† Latecomers may be seated.

PARTICIPANTS IN THE SERVICE

Ryan Moore, PhD – *Pastor*

Stuart Gordon, DMin – *Sr. Associate Pastor for Christian Formation & Witness*

John Musgrave, DMin – *Parish Associate*

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

Gage Arnold – *Director of Youth Programming*

Mallory Hammond – *Director of Ministry with Children & Their Families*

Raphael Bundage, DMA – *Director of Music*

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

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Flowers in the chancel are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Patrick King, son of Miss Daisy King.

SUPPORTING FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

You can make a gift or fulfill a pledge payment by placing your gift in the offering plate, texting "GIVE" to 707-475-3005, donating online at fpcnashville.org, or scan the QR code.



SYMPATHIES

We extend our condolences to the family and friends of Patrick Leslie King.

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!

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.

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

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

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 Grundy Hall in the Children's Ministry Wing for ages 4–6. Parents pick up at the door of Grundy Hall. After 8:30 a.m. worship, children can stay for the Education Hour. **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.

INTERESTED IN GETTING MORE CONNECTED?

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 informed about news and upcoming events by reading FPC's weekly Parish News email.
To subscribe, email communications@fpcnashville.org.*

RECREATION

Registration Open: NaCoMe All Church Retreat

August 5–6 —NaCoMe is a special weekend of fun with the FPC church family in a beautiful camp setting away from the hustle and bustle of Nashville life. All are welcome, from the youngest to the oldest member of any family, married or single, kids or no kids. This mostly unstructured time to connect with one another after busy summers is a great way to slow down with brothers and sisters in Christ before starting the new school year! Register on fpcnashville.org.

Pool Fellowship & Open Swim | Sundays | 2:30–4:30 p.m. | Don Wade Memorial Pool—Pool Fellowship & Open Swim is a time for our church family to make memories together and cool off during these hot summer days. The pool has limited seating, so bring a lawn chair and all your usual swim gear. All are welcome to join us for swimming and fellowship; however, children will need adult supervision. Please note there will not be a lifeguard on duty, so please swim carefully.

YOUTH

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.

FLOWERS AT FPC

Flower Dedications Needed—Church members give the flowers in our sanctuary each Sunday to remember loved ones or celebrate a milestone, and their contributions are acknowledged in the bulletin. There are many Sundays available for dedications in 2023. A flower dedication costs \$300 for one arrangement or \$500 for two. If you would like to provide flowers for a Sunday worship service, please submit the form found on the church website Sanctuary Flowers page. If you have any questions, please contact the Flower Committee Chair Kelly McMullen (kelly.mcmullen97@gmail.com).

UPCOMING FPC MISSIONS TRIPS

FPC is committed to serving Christ around the world, and we are planning several mission trips in the coming months. Please check the website for more details about these exciting opportunities or contact Missions (missions@fpcnashville.org) for more information. **Registration with your passport is due by July 14.**

Dominican Republic | September 16–22—Join trip leader Jim Cato on our 20th year of serving the people in San Juan de la Maguana with our partner Solid Rock International. Solid Rock International runs a clinic, several schools, a child nutrition program, and a guest house. We will take a surgical team, a primary medical care team for services in neighborhood locations, and a construction team. Physicians, dentists, nurses, and other medical personnel are needed, along with non-medical participants.

Cuba | November 4–10—This year will be FPC's 17th year to send a mission trip to Cuba in November, led by Scott Greer. The team will continue building our relationship with our sister church, Dora E. Valentin, Reformed Presbyterian Church of Cuba (IPRC), and her pastor, Dopico. Join us on this relational mission trip to support, love, and learn from these lively Christians. The team will participate in the work and worship of Dora E. Valentin church and several home churches in the surrounding community. The trip will conclude with a day in Havana visiting other churches, the Presbyterian seminary and sightseeing. This trip is almost full, so let our missions team know if you're interested!

FPC BOOKSTORE

Signed Copies of *Out Franklin Road* are Available at BookMarks—BookMarks, our church bookstore, has a limited number of signed copies of Bill Caruso's book *Out Franklin Road: The Oak Hill Home of Nashville's First Presbyterian Church*. This book is a brief history of FPC's home since 1949. BookMarks is open every Sunday morning from 9:30 a.m. to noon and is located across from Courtenay Hall.



FPC STAFF NEWS

Mary Prevost Joins FPC Staff as Ministry Assistant for Children & Their Families

The Children's Ministry team welcomed Mary Prevost as their new Ministry Assistant for Children & Their Families. A Nashville native, Mary grew up attending First Presbyterian Church, where she met her husband, Parker. They have four children—Penn (7), Annie (4), John (3), and Kenny (3) who keep life fun and busy with all things sports, trucks, Barbies ... and laundry! Mary's previous experience includes Alumni Relations at Vanderbilt University, Property Management, and serving as Client Care Coordinator for Sage Hill Counseling. We are thrilled to have Mary join our FPC team and look forward to doing ministry together. You can contact her at mprevost@fpcnashville.org.



VBS
UNDER
THE STARS
July 25–27

5:00 p.m. Dinner
5:45–7:45 p.m. VBS Program

Visit fpcnashville.org
or scan the code to register
as a family or as a volunteer



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FPC Music Academy

Monday-Thursday evenings
3:00-6:30 p.m.

Fall Semester: August-November



Registration
closes June 30

