



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN  
Church of Nashville

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER  
PENTECOST

*July 2, 2023*

*8:30 & 11:00 a.m.*



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

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## WORDS OF PREPARATION

*“The milieu in which man lives is no longer his. He must adapt himself, as though the world were new, to a universe for which he was not created. He was made to go six kilometers an hour, and he goes a thousand. He was made to eat when he was hungry and sleep when he was sleepy; instead, he obeys a clock. He was made to have contact with living things, and he lives in a world of stone. He was created with a certain essential unity, and he is fragmented by all the forces of the modern world.”*

—Jacques Ellul, *The Technological Society*

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

†VOLUNTARY

*Fanfare for the Common Man*  
Aaron Copland

WELCOME

†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 | based on Psalm 77:11–14

Dr. John Musgrave (8:30)  
Gage Arnold (11:00)

Pastor: Praise the LORD.

**All: The LORD's name be praised!**

Pastor: I will remember the deeds of the LORD; yes, I will remember your wonders of old. I will ponder all your work, and meditate on your mighty deeds.

**All: Your way, O God, is holy. What God is great like our God? You are the God who works wonders; you have made known your might among the peoples.**

Pastor: You, with your arm have redeemed your people.

**All: Praise the Triune God, from whom all blessings flow!**

\*†OPENING HYMN

*God of Our Fathers*  
NATIONAL HYMN

**God of our fathers, whose almighty hand leads forth in beauty all the starry band  
of shining worlds in splendor through the skies, our grateful songs before thy throne arise.**

**Thy love divine hath led us in the past. In this free land by thee our lot is cast.  
Be thou our ruler, guardian, guide, and stay: thy word our law, thy paths our chosen way.**

**From war's alarms, from deadly pestilence, be thy strong arm our ever sure defense.  
Thy true religion in our hearts increase. Thy bounteous goodness nourish us in peace.**

**Refresh thy people on their toilsome way. Lead us from night to never-ending day.  
Fill all our lives with love and grace divine. And glory, laud, and praise be ever thine.**

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\*PRAYER OF ADORATION

Jerry Breast (8:30)  
Brent Moody (11:00)

FIRST LESSON | Matthew 10:40–42 (page 815)

<sup>40</sup> “Whoever receives you receives me, and whoever receives me receives him who sent me. <sup>41</sup> The one who receives a prophet because he is a prophet will receive a prophet’s reward, and the one who receives a righteous person because he is a righteous person will receive a righteous person’s reward. <sup>42</sup> And whoever gives one of these little ones even a cup of cold water because he is a disciple, truly, I say to you, he will by no means lose his reward.”

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

CALL TO CONFESSION

Dr. Sandra Randleman

PRAYER OF CONFESSION | based on James 1:27

**Merciful God, your word tells us a faith that is pure and undefiled before you is this: “to visit orphans and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unstained from the world.” We confess that we do not care for our neighbor in need. And we sadly love the world more than we love you. In your mercy, forgive us for not sharing the love we have received at the Cross. By your grace, may we delight in you and your will for our lives. For the sake of Christ, O merciful God, may we live a holy, just, and humble life to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

*A moment for silent confession.*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*RESPONSE OF GRATITUDE

*To God Be the Glory*  
**TO GOD BE THE GLORY**

**To God be the glory; great things he has done!  
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,  
who yielded his life an atonement for sin,  
and opened the life-gate that all may go in.**

*Refrain:*

**Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the earth hear his voice!  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the people rejoice!  
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,  
and give him the glory: great things he has done!**

\*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.*

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## ‡BLESSING OF THE YOUNG DISCIPLES

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

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (8:30)

### PRESENTATION OF CHILD

Jennifer Milam Lankford and Brenton Hall Lankford are presenting their son, William Clark Lankford, for baptism. Nell Ann Crowe, Assisting Elder

### BAPTISMAL QUESTIONS

### \*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

### THE BAPTISM

## HYMN OF PREPARATION

*May the Mind of Christ*  
ST. LEONARDS

**May the mind of Christ, my Savior, live in me from day to day,  
by his love and pow'r controlling all I do and say.**

**May the Word of God dwell richly in my heart from hour to hour,  
so that all may see I triumph, only thro' his pow'r.**

**May the peace of God my Father rule my life in everything,  
that I may be calm to comfort sick and sorrowing.**

**May his beauty rest upon me, as I seek the lost to win;  
and may they forget the channel, seeing only him.**

## SCRIPTURE READING | Romans 6:11–18 (page 943)

<sup>11</sup> So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus. <sup>12</sup> Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, to make you obey its passions. <sup>13</sup> Do not present your members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments for righteousness. <sup>14</sup> For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace. <sup>15</sup> What then? Are we to sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! <sup>16</sup> Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? <sup>17</sup> But thanks be to God, that you who were once slaves of sin have become obedient from the heart to the standard of teaching to which you were committed, <sup>18</sup> and, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness.

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

## SERMON

### Freed to Live

Dr. Ryan Moore

*“... just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father,  
we too might walk in newness of life.”—Romans 6:4*



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OFFERTORY

*See What Love* from *St. Paulus Oratorio*, 1836  
Felix Mendelssohn

See what love hath the Father bestow'd on us in his goodness, that we should be called God's own children.

*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](http://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 353

*My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less*  
SOLID ROCK

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE

*Battle Hymn of the Republic*  
William Steffe | arr. Peter J. Wilhousky

Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord; he is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored; he hath loosed the fateful lightning of his terrible swift sword: his truth is marching on. Gloria! Glory, glory! Hallelujah! I have seen him in the watchfires of a hundred circling camps: They have builded him an altar in the evening dews and damps; I can read his righteous sentence in the dim and flaring lamps, his truth is marching on! In the beauty of the lilies, Christ was born across the sea, with a glory in his bosom that transfigures you and me: as he died to make men holy, let us die to make men free, while God is marching on. Glory, glory! Hallelujah! Amen.

\*CLOSING VOLUNTARY

*Allegro Vivace Assai* from *Sonata No. 1 in F Minor, Op. 65*  
Felix Mendelssohn

\* *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 – *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*  
Raphael Bundage, DMA – *Director of Music*  
Peter Rogahn, DMA – *Organist and Assistant Director of Music*  
Rhonda Swanson, MM – *Assistant Organist*  
Patrick Kunkee – *Trumpet*  
Joshua Hickman – *Timpani*  
Ali Gooding Hoffman – *Violin*  
Glen Wanner – *String Bass*  
Austin Mellen – *Percussion*  
Chris Simonsen – *Baritone*

## 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](http://fpcnashville.org), or scan the QR code.



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## 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](http://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](mailto:communications@fpcnashville.org).*



## RECREATION

### **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.

**Register for Fall Soccer!**—Athletics can be a beautiful vehicle for growth and discipleship. Because of this, we believe children's soccer is an integral part of our mission here at FPC, and we are excited to open registration for the fall soccer season. Teams are available for boys and girls from 3 years to 4th grade. We will host seven Saturday gamedays: August 19, August 26, September 9, September 16, September 23, September 30, and October 7. Early registration (\$140) is open through July 23. Regular registration (\$240) runs July 24–July 31. Visit the website to register.

## 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.

## 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/fpcnashville](https://linktr.ee/fpcnashville) or contact [youth@fpcnashville.org](mailto:youth@fpcnashville.org).

## MUSIC

**Registration Extended for FPC Music Academy**—FPC has launched a Music Academy! This program of vocal and instrumental lessons allows our younger disciples and adults to explore their God-given artistic gifts. Our qualified team of instructors offers lessons for voice, violin, harp, piano, and organ. Our music instruction meets a standard of excellence that inspires students to learn, grow, and serve with their gifts to the glory of God alone. The fall semester runs from August–November. Lessons are held on Monday–Thursday evenings from 3:00–6:30 p.m. in the Cheek House Chapel. *Registration has been extended through August 14.*

## 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](mailto:kelly.mcmullen97@gmail.com)).

## MISSIONS

**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. Please check the website for more details or contact Missions ([missions@fpcnashville.org](mailto:missions@fpcnashville.org)) for more information. Registration with your passport is due by July 14.

### **FPC Offices Closed on July 3 and 4**

The FPC offices are closed Monday, July 3, and Thursday, July 4, in observance of Independence Day. Our staff will be enjoying the long weekend with their loved ones.



# VBS

## UNDER THE STARS

### July 25–27

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

Visit [fpcnashville.org](http://fpcnashville.org)  
or scan the code to register  
as a family or as a volunteer




## AUGUST 5-6

NaCoMe is a special weekend of fun with the FPC church family!



Scan here to register  
you and your family!