



8:30 & 11:00 a.m.



WORDS OF PREPARATION

So when the devil throws your sins in your face and declares that you deserve death and hell, tell him this: "I admit that I deserve death and hell, what of it? For I know One who suffered and made satisfaction on my behalf. His name is Jesus Christ, Son of God, and where he is there I shall be also!"

—Martin Luther

ORDER OF WORSHIP

†VOLUNTARY

Tone Piece in C
Niels Gade

WELCOME AND MINUTE FOR MISSION FOR RISE AGAINST HUNGER

Mickey Fitts

†INTROIT

Come Ye that Love the Lord
arr. Alice Parker

Come, ye that love the Lord, and let your love be known; join in a song of sweet accord and thus surround the throne. The sorrows of the mind be banished from this place; religion never was designed to make our pleasures less. Let those refuse to sing who never knew our God; but favorites of the heavenly King may speak their joys abroad.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Dr. John Musgrave (8:30)
Dr. Stuart Gordon (11:00)

Pastor: Praise the Lord.

All: The Lord's name be praised!

Pastor: We will give thanks to you, O Lord, with our whole heart; we will tell of all your wonderful deeds.

All: We will be glad and exult in you; we will sing praise to your name, O Most High.

Pastor: We have gathered to praise our gracious God.

All: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow!

*†OPENING HYMN 620

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven
LAUDA ANIMA

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

Scott Montgomery (8:30)
Eric Osborne (11:00)

FIRST LESSON | Isaiah 55 (page 615)

¹ “Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and he who has no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. ² Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. ³ Incline your ear, and come to me; hear, that your soul may live; and I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. ⁴ Behold, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. ⁵ Behold, you shall call a nation that you do not know, and a nation that did not know you shall run to you, because of the LORD your God, and of the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you. ⁶ “Seek the LORD while he may be found; call upon him while he is near; ⁷ let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the LORD, that he may have compassion on him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. ⁸ For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, declares the LORD. ⁹ For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts. ¹⁰ “For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven and do not return there but water the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, ¹¹ so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it. ¹² “For you shall go out in joy and be led forth in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall break forth into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. ¹³ Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress; instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle; and it shall make a name for the LORD, an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.”

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

CALL TO CONFESSION

Gage Arnold (8:30)
Mallory Hammond (11:00)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Lord, we marvel that you should become incarnate, be crucified, dead, and buried. The empty tomb calls forth our adoring wonder, for it is empty and you art risen; the four-fold gospel attests it, the living witnesses prove it, our heart's experience knows it. Give us to die with you that we may rise to new life, for we wish to be as dead and buried to sin, to selfishness, to the world; that we might not hear the voice of the tempter, and might be delivered from his lusts. O Lord, there is much ill about us and sin within us—crucify it, much flesh within us—mortify it. Purge us from selfishness, the fear of man, the love of praise, the shame of being thought old-fashioned, the desire to be cultivated or modern. Grant us to stand with our dying Savior, to be content to be rejected, to be willing to take up unpopular truths, and to hold fast despised teachings until death. Grant us more and more of the resurrection life: may it rule us, may we walk in its power, and be strengthened through its influence. For the glory of our living Savior. 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

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

‡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 (11:00)

PRESENTATION OF CHILD

Holli and Max Coyle are presenting their son, Desmond Aaron Coyle, for baptism.
Laura Coyle, Assisting Elder.

BAPTISMAL QUESTIONS

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

THE BAPTISM

HYMN OF PREPARATION 377

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light
HOUSTON

SCRIPTURE READING | Hebrews 12:1–3 (page 1008)

¹ Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, ² looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God. ³ Consider him who endured from sinners such hostility against himself, so that you may not grow weary or fainthearted.

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

Running the Race

Dr. Ryan Moore

... and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us. —Hebrews 12:1

OFFERTORY

The Heavens are Telling (from Creation)

Joseph Haydn

The heavens are telling the glory of God, with wonders of his work resounds the firmament. Revealed are his ways by day unto day, night that is gone, to following night. In every land is known the Word, every ear will hearken, never tongue be dumb.

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

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 363

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

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE

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.

*CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Fuga from Sonata in C Minor, Op. 65, No. 2
Felix Mendelssohn

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

PARTICIPANTS IN THE SERVICE

Ryan Moore, PhD – *Pastor*
Stuart Gordon, DMin – *Senior Associate Pastor for Christian Formation & Witness*
John Musgrave, DMin – *Parish Associate*
Gage Arnold, MDiv – *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*
Rhonda Swanson, MM – *Assistant Organist*
Claire Paschal – *Soprano*
Greg Thomas – *Tenor*
Ryan Bede – *Baritone*

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Flowers in the chancel are given to the glory of God and in celebration of our beloved Momma Dollye F. Clayton's 95th birthday by her only child, Beth Scott Clayton Amos and Beth's husband, Timothy L. Amos.

Wreaths on the Sanctuary doors are given to the glory of God in celebration of the baptism of Desmond Aaron Coyle by his grandparents, Laura and Frank Coyle.

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.



MUSIC NOTES: *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light* CCLI Song # 89848 by Kathleen Thomerson 1970, 1975 Celebration For use solely with the SongSelect® Terms of Use. All rights reserved. www.ccli.com CCLI License # 1121456. COVER IMAGE: A frontispiece to the Uta Codex evangeliary, circa 1025. <https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Crucifixion-vita-mors-uta-codex-clm-13601-f3v-c1025.jpg>

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. Children ages 4-6 are invited to join **Young Children & Worship** following the Blessing of the Young Disciples. Parents pick up their child after worship at Grundy Hall, located in the Children's Ministry Wing. Following 8:30 a.m. worship, children of all ages are invited to stay for the Education Hour. Check-in and pickup for Nursery-Kindergarten is located in the Children's Ministry lobby, while Elementary is located in Oak Hill C-Wing. **Nursery care** for children ages 0-3 is available from 8:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m. 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.*

LOOKING AHEAD

Nov. 19 | Thanksgiving Stewardship Breakfast | 9:30 a.m.

Nov. 22 | Thanksgiving Eve Worship | 5:30 p.m.

Dec. 3 | Christmas Ceilidh & Tree Lighting | 4:30 p.m.

Presbyterian Women Handiwork Drop-In | Monday, November 6 | 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. | Memorial Library

— All women who enjoy portable handiwork (knitting, crocheting, needlepoint, cross stitch, etc.) are invited to join us on the first Monday of each month. Bring your current handiwork project and we will enjoy Christian fellowship, build community, and work on our respective crafts. For information, contact Karen Pasquale (karenpasquale@comcast.net).

Moonlighters Big Band & Dance | Saturday, November 11, 2023 | Dance Lessons: 1:00–2:00 p.m. | Music: 2:00–4:00 p.m. | Enrichment Center

— Join First Friends for an all-church Big Band dancing event. The Moonlighters Big Band will play from 2:00–4:00 for dancing. Bring your family, partner, and friends and join in a refresher of your dancing skills with an instructor's help from 1:00–2:00 before the dance.

History, Politics, and Religion | Tuesday, November 14 6:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m. | Gathering Place

— Dr. Stuart Gordon's monthly class, History, Politics, and Religion, aims to help improve our ability to engage differences and enhance our witness as Christian citizens. We will look at Philip Gorski's *American Covenant: A History of Civil Religion from the Puritans to the Present* and spend time in shared reflection on a portion of Romans 12—studying what it looks like for the body of Christ to bear witness to God. Each meeting will provide the opportunity to practice around tables the kind of conversation that grows skills in humility, searching for truth, and covenant love. Contact Stuart Gordon for details or register for childcare (sgordon@fpcnashville.org).

Interested in Leading a Community of Belonging? — As our church grows, we want to help foster new relationships and build community in our church family. We are seeking members to help lead Communities of Belonging (COBs) so we can expand our offerings next semester. Please let us know if you are interested in facilitating a group or know someone who would make a great COB leader. Contact Julia Wilk (jwilk@fpcnashville.org or 615-473-8742).

Calling all Volunteer Bakers and Cooks! — We need your help stocking the Manna Freezer and supporting those in need of a meal or sweet treat. If you're passionate about cooking or baking and want to make a difference, this is a wonderful opportunity to get involved. We currently need baked goods and soups packed in servings for two. For more details on becoming a contributor, contact Denise Bellardo (balletdenise@icloud.com or 615-351-3273).

Stephen Ministry Training | February 2024 | Applications due by the end of November

— A training class for serving as a Stephen Minister will begin in February 2024. Stephen Ministers offer confidential support to individuals going through challenging times. The most important resources are a compassionate heart, a listening ear, and a willingness to pray with and for the person receiving care. If you are interested in serving as a Stephen Minister, please contact Sandra Randleman (srandleman@fpcnashville.org or 615-298-9502).

MUSIC

Organ Recital by the American Guild of Organists Nashville Chapter | Monday, November 13 | 7:30 p.m. | Sanctuary — Join us for an organ concert featuring members of the American Guild of Organists Nashville Chapter. Our organ was built by the Rudolf von Beckerath company (Hamburg, Germany) in 1974 and was renovated last year. The concert will include five organists presenting various organ music, including former FPC organist Nick Bergin.

MISSIONS

Over 30 Slots Left for the November Blood Drive! | Wednesday, November 15 | 12:00–5:00 p.m. | Courtenay Hall — The American Red Cross is experiencing a national blood shortage. Donors of all blood types are urgently needed, and there is an emergency need for type O blood donors to ensure patients across the country continue receiving critical medical care. We have over 30 slots left to fill at our blood drive on Wednesday, November 15, and we need your help! Sign up at linktr.ee/fpcnashville and save lives in our community.

Rise Against Hunger Meal Packing | Monday, November 20 | 3:30 p.m. | Enrichment Center — Our annual Rise Against Hunger event is perfect for families, with opportunities for anyone ages 2–102! Help us pack over 20,000 meals to be delivered to partners around the world. To date, First Presbyterian Church members and Oak Hill School friends have held 16 events and packed 289,104 meals, the size of a full shipping container!



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TO REGISTER OR LEARN MORE

Family Advent Wreath Workshop



Sunday, Nov. 19
5:00 p.m.

Courtenay Hall | Cost: \$15 per family

Join us as we prepare for Advent with dinner, singing, and crafting live Advent wreaths. Families will create their own wreaths and learn how to observe the Advent season at home. Friendly for children of all ages: tiniest tots and too-cool teens included! The \$15 cost covers supplies and dinner for each family. Hosted by the Children's Ministry and Worship Flower Committee, registration is requested to ensure enough supplies are available.

To register your family, visit
linktr.ee/fpcnashville



2024 Stewardship Update

52%
Pledge Goal

282 of 540
pledges

63%
Dollars Pledged Goal

\$2.6 million of
\$4.1 million

\$1,880 Average Pledge: \$9,530
Goal Pledge: \$7,650
Over Average Pledge Goal

As of October 30, 2023

NEW!



Watch the latest member testimonial from Scott Dalton on how FPC provides a Gospel-centered foundation for their family on linktr.ee/fpcnashville



Make Your Pledge Here
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