



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
Church of Nashville

TRINITY SUNDAY
June 12, 2022



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

WORDS OF PREPARATION

“Yielding to God’s will can be hard. And sometimes, it really hurts. But it always brings peace.

—John M. Perkins

ORDER OF WORSHIP

†VOLUNTARY

Set Me As a Seal
Michael Linton

Set me as a seal on thy arm, on thy mouth, on thy heart, for love is strong as death, kisses sharper than the grave. Glowing like a coal, burning like a firebrand, floods can not drown it, tears can not sweep it away. Set me as a seal.

WELCOME AND MINUTE FOR MISSION

Mary Virginia Sullivan

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Jesus prayed that we, the church, would be one, just as he and the Father are one.

All: Today in our worship we long for a glimpse of your glory, seen perfectly in Christ, our Lord.

Pastor: In the shadow of God’s peace, in the powerful name of Jesus,

All: And with the hope of the Holy Spirit, let us worship the Triune God.

*†OPENING HYMN 1

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!
NICAEA

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

Chan Sheppard (8:30)
Ellie Ford (11:00)

FIRST LESSON | Deuteronomy 4:32–40 (page 149)

³² “For ask now of the days that are past, which were before you, since the day that God created man on the earth, and ask from one end of heaven to the other, whether such a great thing as this has ever happened or was ever heard of. ³³ Did any people ever hear the voice of a god speaking out of the midst of the fire, as you have heard, and still live? ³⁴ Or has any god ever attempted to go and take a nation for himself from the midst of another nation, by trials, by signs, by wonders, and by war, by a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, and by great deeds of terror, all of which the Lord your God did for you in Egypt before your eyes?

³⁵ To you it was shown, that you might know that the Lord is God; there is no other besides him. ³⁶ Out of heaven he let you hear his voice, that he might discipline you. And on earth he let you see his great fire, and you heard his words out of the midst of the fire. ³⁷ And because he loved your fathers and chose their offspring after them and brought you out of Egypt with his own presence, by his great power, ³⁸ driving out before you nations greater and mightier than you, to bring you in, to give you their land for an inheritance, as it is this day, ³⁹ know therefore today, and lay it to your heart, that the Lord is God in heaven above and on the earth beneath; there is no other. ⁴⁰ Therefore you shall keep his statutes and his commandments, which I command you today, that it may go well with you and with your children after you, and that you may prolong your days in the land that the Lord your God is giving you for all time.”

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

CALL TO CONFESSION

He Will Hold Me Fast
Habershon | Merker | Galbraith

Soloist:

When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast; when the tempter would prevail, he will hold me fast. I could never keep my hold through life's fearful path; for my love is often cold; he must hold me fast.

Congregation joins each refrain:

He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast;
5 For my Sav - ior loves me so, He will hold me fast.

Those he saves are his delight, Christ will hold me fast; precious in his holy sight, he will hold me fast. He'll not let my soul be lost; his promises shall last; bought by him at such a cost, he will hold me fast.

Refrain

For my life he bled and died, Christ will hold me fast; justice has been satisfied; he will hold me fast. Raised with him to endless life, he will hold me fast 'till our faith is turned to sight, when he comes at last!

Refrain

PRAYER OF CONFESSION | St. John of the Cross

Dr. Stuart Gordon

O blessed Jesus, give me stillness of soul in you. Let your mighty calmness reign in me. Rule me, O King of Gentleness, King of Peace. Amen.

A moment for silent confession.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*RESPONSE OF GRATITUDE

Glory 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, children who are age 4, 5, or 6
(not in 1st grade) are invited to join Young Children & Worship.*

HYMN OF PREPARATION

May the Mind of Christ, My Savior
ST. LEONARDS

May the mind of Christ, my Sav - ior,
May the Word of God dwell rich - ly
May the peace of God my Fa - ther
3 May His beau - ty rest up - on me

Live in me from day to day, By His love and
In my heart from hour to hour, So that all may
Rule my life in ev - ery - thing, That I may be
5 As I seek the lost to win; And may they for -

pow'r con - trol - ling All ___ I do ___ and say.
see I tri - umph On ___ ly thro' ___ His pow'r.
calm to com - fort Sick ___ and sor - row - ing.
get the chan - nel, See - ing on - ly Him.

SCRIPTURE READING | Colossians 3:1–4 (page 984)

¹ If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ² Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. ³ For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴ When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

Christ Our Life

Dr. Ryan Moore

Your life is hidden with Christ in God. —Colossians 3:3

OFFERTORY

Rejoice, O Judah! from *Judas Maccabaeus*
G.F. Handel

Rejoice, O Judah, and, in songs divine, with cherubim and seraphim harmonious join! Hallelujah, Amen!

*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.*

COMMISSIONING OF STEPHEN MINISTERS (8:30)

Susan Bannen, Frances Edwards, Sally Einstman, Elizabeth Etherton, and MaryAnn Girard will serve as Stephen Ministers.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Dr.Sandra Randleman

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 838

Standing on the Promises
PROMISES

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE

The Lord Bless You and Keep You
John Rutter

The Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon you and give you peace. Amen.

*CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Voluntary on Lift High the Cross
Craig Phillips

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

PARTICIPANTS IN THE SERVICE

Ryan Moore, PhD – Pastor
Stuart Gordon, DMin – Executive Pastor
Sandra Randleman, DMin – Associate Pastor for Congregational Care & Missions
Raphael Bundage, DMA – Director of Music
Peter Rogahn, DMA – Organist and Assistant Director of Music
Rhonda Swanson, MM – Assistant Organist
Elizabeth Linton, Soprano; Ryan Bede, Bass, Claire Paschal, Soprano
David Davidson, violin; David Angell, violin; Chris Farrell, viola; Anthony LaMarchina, cello; Craig Nelson, string bass

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Flowers in the chancel are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Nick Davies by his wife, Betsy, and their children.

MUSIC NOTES

Today's opening voluntary is written by Michael Linton, composer and member of the Sanctuary Choir, in honor of his daughter Karen's wedding on June 11. Written for soprano, strings, and organ, the text comes from Song of Songs 8:6-7b. It is being premiered today with daughter Elizabeth Linton singing, who also sings in the Sanctuary Choir.

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COVER IMAGE

Dogmatic Sarcophagus, c. 350, carving on stone, Vatican Museum. One of the first known depictions of the Trinity.



12:20 Concert | Today | Sanctuary — Join us today after the 11:00 worship service for a voice recital. FPC singers Ryan Bede, Claire Paschal, and Cameron Roberts will be performing a mix of music from opera to Broadway with Peter Rogahn accompanying.

RESCHEDULED | Movie on the Lawn | Wednesday, June 15 | 6:00 p.m. | Front Fields — Join us Wednesday, June 15, 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.

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. Questions? Contact Mallory Hammond at 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.

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.

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

LOOKING AHEAD

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

9:45 EDUCATION HOUR SUMMER SCHEDULES

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.

Coffee & Bible Class | Memorial Library | Meets during summer months
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

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. First Presbyterian Church extends a warm welcome in the name of Christ to all who worship with us today.

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.

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!