LEARNING TO KEEP THE

sabbath

First Presbyterian Church

August 1, 2021

WELCOME

August 1, 2021
8:30 am & 11:00 am

Thank you for joining us for worship.
Child Care during worship is open for young children in Room 110/111 in Education Wing.
If you need assistance in finding the room, please ask an usher.
This service can be heard on 98.1 FM radio or viewed at fpchsv.org.

Those who are able, please stand

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

CHIMING OF THE BELL

PRELUDE *Almighty Love* ARR. T. C. MCKIBBEN

The act of assembling in Jesus' name bears witness to the Church's identity and mission as Christ's body in the world.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP
One: We gather to worship and remember that Jesus Christ, the crucified Lord, calls us to believe the good news of salvation.
Many: **His grace is sufficient for us.**
One: Let us enter into God's new realm rejoicing, not in our own strength, but in the power of the Holy Spirit.
Many: **Let us worship God!**

*OPENING PRAYER

*OPENING HYMN 14 *For the Beauty of the Earth* DIX

Many of us may be feeling guilt or shame at how we have behaved towards others, or even the biases we have received and passed on. Now is the time to confess everything to God and ask for forgiveness and transformation, which we believe God freely gives.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION
Holy God, we know that you are always there to lead us, yet we somehow lose our way and fall back into fear. We confess that we have stumbled, and we recognize our need for you to lift us up and help us start again. Forgive us our failings, restore us to strength, and reconcile us with you, ourselves, and each other, through the power of Christ and the gift of your Spirit.
(Let us now continue our confession in silence.)

KYRIE *Lord, have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord, have mercy.*
Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison, Kyrie eleison.
Lord, have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord, have mercy. HOPSON

ASSURANCE OF PARDON
One: In Christ we die to our old selves, to the sin that clings, and become new creations. Know that you are forgiven, loved, and freed.
Many: **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

*Those who are able, please stand

*HYMN 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.

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

ANTHEM 8:30 *Come to Me* LUDWIG VAN BEETHOVEN
Katie Buckner, soprano

Come to me, all ye that need rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn of me.
All ye that labor, all ye that are heavy laden: I will give you rest. I am meek, I am lowly in heart.
For I am meek in heart. Come to me, all ye that need rest.
Come to me to find rest unto your souls. My yoke is easy, my burden light.
O come to me all ye, to find rest. Come to me. Amen.

11:00 *Remember the Sabbath* D. HUNTSINGER
Chancel Choir

Remember the Sabbath to keep it holy, honor the day that our Lord commands us
To cease our toiling and we obey, that we may know Him, and learn His patient ways,
Keeping the Sabbath holy in all our days. So, enter His temple with high thanksgiving,
Worship the Lord and fill up this house with voices ringing, let them be heard!
For we adore Him, and lift our hearts in praise, keeping the Sabbath holy in all our days.
Remember the Sabbath to keep it holy, honor the day that our Lord commands us
To cease our toiling and we obey, that we may really know Him, and learn His patient ways,
Keeping the Sabbath holy in all our days.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

LESSON GENESIS 1-2:3
Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.
One: This is the Word of the Lord.
Many: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON *"Sabbath: A Holy Rest"*
The Rev. Dr. Tara W. Bulger

SILENT MEDITATION

*HYMN 675 *All Praise to Thee, My God, This Night* TALLIS' CANON

There is a time of silent meditation after the sermon. During this time, you might ask yourself, "From what I've heard and experienced during worship today, what do I believe God wants me to do or be? Is God inviting me to change in any way?"

**Those who are able, please stand*

It is no accident that what we do on Sunday morning is called a worship "service," and that what we do the rest of the week is our Christian "service." Our service does not end with the benediction but rather continues into the week and into the world through lives of faith. What this finally means is that the church is not only called to go into the world but that the world is passionately invited to come into the church. Reformed worship does not embrace mission as an optional component but perceives our commitment to "be sent" as essential to our call.

Those who are able, please stand

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY 8:30 *Spirit of God Descend Upon My Heart* ARR. LLOYD LARSON
Dr. Lois K. Lee, Organist

11:00 *Come to Me* LUDWIG VAN BEETHOVEN
Katie Buckner, soprano

*DOXOLOGY 606 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We praise you, Lord God, for your history of salvation, for creating and redeeming the world through your promises to your people Israel. We thank you for your forgiveness and your transforming love. Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day, and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we, too, glorify your name and lift our voices in joyful praise saying:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!
Hosanna in the highest!

We praise you for Jesus Christ, born of Mary. One of us, he ate with sinners; he taught the crowds; he visited the sick; he sent harvesters into the fields; he challenged his followers; he laughed and he cried; he died on the cross and he rose from the dead to give us new life...

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

... And so he shared himself in bread and cup with his followers and now with us. As we remember Christ's baptism, as we recall his life and ministry, as we follow him through death into the resurrection of new life, we proclaim that mystery called faith saying:

Christ has died. Christ has risen. Christ will come again.

We praise you for your Spirit who guides us as we follow you. Pour out your Spirit that this meal may be one communion in the body and blood of our Lord. Make all who share your feast one with Christ. And now, with the confidence of his children, let us pray as Jesus taught us, saying:

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.

SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

You will be given the bread and cup. Please eat the bread as you receive it. Wait to drink from the cup until all are served and the minister directs all in drinking together.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Lord God, in deep gratitude for this time of worship, for this meal, and for this church, we give ourselves to you. Take us out to live as transformed people because we have shared the living bread and we cannot remain the same. Ask much of us, expect much from us, enable much by us, and encourage many through us. May we each live to your glory, now and forever more, Amen.

SHARE GOD'S LOVE WITH THE WORLD

*HYMN 32	*I Sing the Mighty Power of God*	ELLACOMBE

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE	*Sent Forth by God's Blessings*	ARR. EMMA LOU DIEMER

Worship Resources Adapted From:
Feasting on the Word Worship Companion Series, the Book of Common Worship, and Enterthebible.org
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WORSHIP LEADERSHIP:

The Rev. Dr. Tara W. Bulger

The Rev. Brett Gudeman

Dr. Patricia Hacker, Director of Music

Dr. Lois K. Lee, Pianist/Organist

Chancel Choir

Katie Buckner, Soprano

Ushers:
8:30 am- Marshall Corlew, Amy Stucky, Roy McCorkle
11:00 am- Bo and Nancy Lundy, Sheila Fogle, Danny Bryant

Communion Servers:
11:00 am- Al Steenwyk, Bob Frank Smith, Jeff Hyatt, Andrew Bevel, Marilyn Schild

Video and Sound:
Mike Hyatt, Tom Stroud, Brian Bulger, Jeff Hyatt, Dave Young

**Those who are able, please stand*

JOIN US FOR

RALLY DAY

- Bring your backpack to worship for a special blessing!
- Meet in the Sanctuary at 9:30am for a celebration of children and youth as they are promoted to their new grades and receive a backpack tag and gift bibles
- Proceed to your classrooms for the first day of Sunday School!

SUNDAY, AUGUST 15TH

Celebrate with “Lemonade and Popcorn on the Lawn” at Noon!

First Presbyterian is a Congregation of the Presbyterian Church (USA) and a Stephen Ministry Congregation.

We welcome you as a participant in worship today. We pray that you will find this service meaningful. Worship is but one of the many ministries of First Presbyterian Church.

If you would like to receive our Weekly E-News, please send your name and email address to communications@fpchsv.org.

FLOWER GUILD HONORS AND MEMORIALS

The flowers this morning are given to the Glory of God.

Worship of the Living God is not confined to one place or time. We encourage you to take this bulletin home and use it to guide you in private moments of worship for the next week.

Discuss: What does it mean to make the Sabbath day holy?

Read:
Monday- Mark 8:11-21
Tuesday- Mark 8:22-33
Wednesday- Mark 8:34-9:1
Thursday- Mark 9:2-13
Friday- Mark 9:14-29
Saturday- Mark 9:30-41

Pray: Ask God that you might dedicate your Sabbath to God.

THIS WEEK AT FPCHSV
August 1-August 8

Sunday August 1, 2021
HOLY COMMUNION
8:30 am Worship Service SAN
9:30 am - 10:30 am Charles Danner Seminar Zoom & LIB
9:30 am - 10:30 am Comrades Sunday School Class Room 106
11:00 am Worship Service SAN
12:00 pm - 2:00 pm First Sunday Fellowship at Stovehouse

Tuesday, August 3, 2021
5:30 pm - 6:30 pm Worship Committee Meeting LIB

Wednesday, August 4, 2021
12:00 pm - 1:30 pm PYC Lunch at Taco Mama
1:30 pm - 3:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry LIB
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Chancel Choir Practice CR

Thursday, August 5, 2021
PW Church Wide Gathering FH
11:00 am - 12:00 pm Prayer Group Zoom

Friday, August 6, 2021
Fellowship Camp at Camp Maranatha

Saturday, August 7, 2021
Fellowship Camp at Camp Maranatha

Sunday August 8, 2021
Fellowship Camp at Camp Maranatha
8:30 am Worship Service SAN
9:30 am - 10:30 am Charles Danner Seminar Zoom & LIB
9:30 am - 10:30 am Comrades Sunday School Class Room 106
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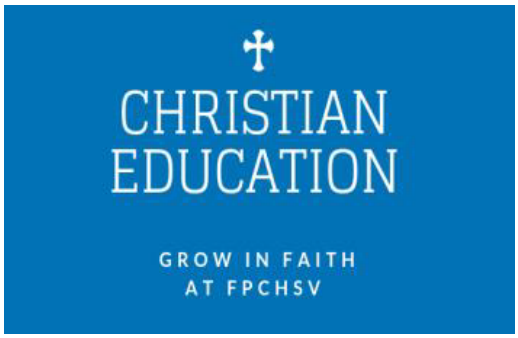
Calendar Legend:

BR - Bell Room
CH - Carriage House (GBH)
CER - Christian Ed Resource upstairs
CR - Choir Room
FH - Fellowship Hall
GBH - Gideon Blackburn House
HR - Historical Room
JAH - John Allan Hall (GBH)
LIB - Library
SAN - Sanctuary
SMR - Stephen Ministry Room (GBH)
Green- Children's program
Yellow- Youth program
Red- Adult program
Blue- Music



Save the date for Rally Day, August 15!

Comrades is back! This class is a Bible Study group organized by subject matter, emphasizing basic Christian beliefs and how those beliefs can be lived out. Members are predominately senior adults, but content is pertinent to all ages and everyone is welcome. They meet in Room 106 Sundays from 9:30 am to 10:30 am.

NEW! Presbyterian Kids Connection (PKC) for 3rd-5th graders. Meet August 28 from Noon-2:00pm in Fellowship Hall for lunch and a tree art activity. Register at **fpchsv.org** or call the church office.

Are you new to FPC? Do you have children? Please email Kathy at **dce@fpchsv.org** so she can order your children's gift Bibles!

Thank you to Katie Buckner for offering her gift of music this morning.

Do you want to join the Chancel Choir? Rehearsals are Wednesdays from 7:00- 8:30 p.m.

Do you or your child play an instrument? Dr. Hacker would love to hear from you. Please contact her at music@fpchsv.org

We are excited to come back to WNL. The children will be singing stories about "The Promises of God." Stay tuned!

PYC

PRESBYTERIAN YOUTH CONNECTION AT FPCHSV

August/September Fall Calendar:

Sunday, August 15th: PYC (Middle School: 5pm-6:30pm; High School: 6pm-7:30pm)
Friday, August 20th: Trash Pandas Baseball Game (All youth: 6:30pm-9:30pm)
Sunday, August 29th: PYC (Middle School: 5pm-6:30pm; High School: 6pm-7:30pm)
Sunday, September 5th: NO PYC (**Labor Day**)
September 19th: PYC Lunch and Tie-Dye Party (All youth: 12-2pm)
September 24th: Fall Festival at FPC (All youth: 6-11pm)

August Mission of the Month

The Huntsville Inner City Learning Center provides children grades K – 8 with a highly structured program that provides mentoring and tutoring in academics, fitness, biblical knowledge, and gardening. Volunteers help to ensure that students leave the center well-fed, prepared for the next day's classes, filled with a sense of accomplishment, and better equipped to deal with life's obstacles.

Please join us in supporting this outstanding mission by either volunteering or donating items as listed below. This 501(c)(3) non-profit organization depends almost exclusively on its volunteers and sponsors. *Contact Vicky Goodwin (goodwingoodwins@gmail.com or 623-330-5805) with questions or to sign up.*

Hands on Volunteer Opportunities:

- Tutors
- Provide a meal
- Art, Running, Dance and STEM Volunteers
- Bible teachers

FPC August Collection for Learning Center Opening in September:

Office Supplies	**Meal Supplies**	**Teaching Supplies**
Copy Paper	Paper Cups-12 oz.	White Board Markers
Manila Envelopes-all sizes	Paper Napkins	White Board Erasers
Letter Size Envelopes	Paper Plates-12”	Kleenex
Sticky Notes	Paper Towels	

Please bring donations to the church by August 31

Update on our 2021 Mission of the Year

The Backpack Ministry is an ongoing mission opportunity. With the guidance of the Food Bank of N. Alabama, FPC is the sole provider of weekend food kits to disadvantaged children at The Academy of Academics and Arts (AAA). About 20 kits are taken weekly and discreetly provided to need-identified children on Friday afternoons. We are currently gearing up for back to school and resuming our weekly food deliveries.

Please remember that there is a continuing need for supplies and for volunteers. There is a link on the mission page of the church website where you can volunteer to make foot kits or deliver them. The list of supplies for the kits can be found on the bulletin board at the church or on the website. Karen Madison will continue to be the contact person for The Backpack Ministry. *If you have questions, contact Karen Madison at karenmadison@comcast.net.*

PRAYER LIST

To add a prayer request, please visit our website
To remove a prayer request, please email communications@fpchsv.org
New prayer requests are in bold print
In case of a pastoral emergency, you may contact Dr. Bulger at 256-655-1818

Church Members:
Tim Grey
Reba Paludan
Jerry Gattis and family
Barbara Wollet and family
Tish Hammer and family
Joanne Horn and family
Mickey Childers
Linda McAllister
Mary Darsey
LaRhue Johnson
Nan McBride
Ginny Bouldin
Barbara (Bonny) Morris
Cay Lambert
Mary Lou Danner

Friends and Family:
Family of Lillian Cowart
Family of Dot Miree
Greg Gilbert- late brother of Matthew Gilbert
Cindy Howell- friend of Bruce and Janis Williams
Hugh Nicholson- Brother of Francis Byrd
Linda Edwards-Hamlett – friend of Marilyn Schild
Kristi Herbert - friend of Sharon Hudson
Friend of Lisa Stephens
Lively Family
Carol Salter- friend of Tish Hammer
Sandy Kagan - daughter of Betty Dunaway
Shirley Forbes
Josh Saliba - nephew of Donna and John Basore
Marcos Servin - brother-in-law of Patricia Hacker
Calvin Ronald Dahl - nephew of Peggy Galloway
Caitlin Greiner - granddaughter of Cay Lambert
John and Maryetta Bitzer - friends of Peggy and Dave Galloway
Family of Pat Golley
Pat Richeson - friend of Glen Adams
Stella Fair - sister of David Galloway
Beverlee Leo - mother of Lori Smith
Scott Sedlitz - stepson of Annewhite Fuller
Leigh Vincent - friend of Linda and Woodward Howard
Paige Olmo -daughter of Paula Weider
Sean Larkin - friend of Linda Howard and Bryce Connor
Dylan Greiner - son of Cay Lambert
Dale Brown - brother of Doug Brown
Nell Pike - mother of Charlie Pike
Rachel Beard - friend of Tam Bevel

Members and Relatives in Specialty Care:
Kathleen Perry (Valley View)
Dolly Shuey (WBC @ Magnolia Trace)
Jean Walker (Regency)

The Church:
The Rev. Dr. Tara W. Bulger and her family
The Rev. Brett Gudeman and his family
First Presbyterian Church, the Session, the Board of Deacons, the North Alabama Presbytery, and for all the church staff
NAP seminary student Joe Lundy (First, Huntsville).

Military & International:
All those serving in the armed forces; particularly ENS Connor Howard, U.S. Navy Flight School

Our Nation: President Biden, Vice President Harris, and all who govern our nation

First Presbyterian Missions & Ministries:
Appalachia Service Project (ASP)
Good Samaritans
International Missionary Fellowship (HaitiHospital.org)
The Vine Pastoral Counseling Center
The Presbyterian Home for Children
Second Mile Preschool
The CUP program
Camp Maranatha
Mission Aviation Fellowship

Other Prayers:
Let us pray for all those struggling with health and economic hardship during this pandemic. Let us also pray for communities as they express the deep hurt they feel, as well as for safety and peace for all.

Leadership at First Presbyterian Church

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ELDERS:

Class of 2021

Andrew Bevel, Mission and Outreach Committee
Al Steenwyk, Worship Committee
Angela Rawls, Finance Committee
Mary Adams, Christian Education Committee

Class of 2022

Bob Frank Smith, Christian Education Committee
Vicky Goodwin, Mission and Outreach Committee
Lori Smith, Worship Committee
Brian Clayton, Finance Committee

Class of 2023

Janis Williams, Christian Education Committee
David Young, Worship Committee
Jeff Hyatt, Mission and Evangelism Committee
Ryan Parker, Finance Committee

DEACONS:

Class of 2021

Willie Anderson, Care Committee
Marilyn McCorkle, Hospitality Committee
Karen Clayton, Fellowship Committee

Class of 2022

Rob Wermuth, Care Committee
Dale Gillmore, Hospitality Committee
Patrick Rentz, Fellowship Committee

Class of 2023

Susie Conard, Care Committee
Marshall Corlew, Hospitality Committee
Allison Peters, Fellowship Committee

TRUSTEES:

Class of 2021

Dag Rowe
Gary Tucker

Class of 2022

Wayne Bonner
Doug Madison

Class of 2023

Lucinda Schreeder
John Wessel

Presbyterian Women

Janis Williams, Moderator

Congregational Suggestions for Church Officers

Our Nominating Committee is in the process of discerning candidates for church leadership. The offices that must be filled are those of elder, deacon, and trustee. If you have any suggestions for church members to fill these offices, please fill out this form and put it in the offering plate.

Your Name: _____

Your Email: _____

Name of Church Member You Are Suggesting as an Officer Candidate:

_____

What Office Are You Recommending This Person For? Please select one option.

Elder Deacon Trustee Any

Is There A Particular Committee You Think This Person is Especially Suited For?

- Elder: Christian Education Committee
- Elder: Worship Committee
- Elder: Mission and Evangelism Committee
- Elder: Finance and Personnel Committee
- Deacon: Fellowship Committee
- Deacon: Hospitality Committee
- Deacon: Care Committee

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