Supremacy of Christ

First Presbyterian Church July 20, 2025

Welcome

to First Presbyterian Church of Huntsville, Alabama

We are a congregation of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

Notes About Our Worship Bulletin:

- An asterisk denotes standing--in body or Spirit.
- Bold text means the congregation is invited to recite the text together.
- There are margin notes throughout the service to increase understanding of the service.
- Children of all ages are a welcome blessing in worship! They are an important part of our church community and we would love for them to stay for the whole service. Wiggles and giggles will not bother us; tears and fears remind us we're human. Ushers can provide you with worship notebooks to engage your children during worship.
- Nursery care is available anytime between 8:15 am and 12:00 pm for infants and toddlers in Room 106.
- All children are invited to come forward during *This Little Light of Mine* for a message and prayer.
- Older children are encouraged to worship with their families, and children aged Kindergarten and younger are welcome (but never required!) to go to Room 106/107 for Children's Church after the Time for Young Disciples.
- Members, having children worship is a gift and a sign of health and vitality for our church. Please welcome children and offer parents a smile of encouragement.
- We use the following icons to include our early and non-readers in worship participation. We invite you to point these out to children you may worship with and help engage them in the worship service.



Want more information about the church? Speak with an usher in the narthex, or visit our website at fpchsv.org, or listen to sermons later in the week, at:



FOR APPLE



FOR ANDROID

WELCOME

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost July 20, 2025 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

CHIMING OF THE BELL

PRELUDE

He Leadeth Me, O Blessed Thought

Arr. Alice Jordan

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please sign in on the pew pads found at the end of each row and share those with your neighbor. We thank God for your presence this day!

*CALL TO WORSHIP LEADER: Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good. **PEOPLE: God's steadfast love lasts forever.** LEADER: The word of the Lord is worth more than gold. **PEOPLE: God's promises never fail.** LEADER: Let us worship God.

*OPENING PRAYER

🗇 *HYMN 336

We Gather Together

KREMSER

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Faithful God, you care for us with compassion, urging us to grow in love for people everywhere. Forgive us for the times we have failed to care for our neighbors. Through Christ, help us to hear your call to live lives that reflect forgiveness and love. We pray this in Christ's name, Amen.

(Let us now continue our confession in silence.)

As Christians we acknowledge that we are both forgiven and forgiving. When we repent and turn our sins over to God we are strengthened to go from this service and forgive those who sin against us.

*Those who are able, please stand



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ASSURANCE OF PARDON

LEADER : Friends, God allowed Jesus, who was without sin, to carry our sins on the cross. Through his sacrificial love, we are free to live as joyful followers of the Living Lord. Receive the good news of the gospel: In Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

PEOPLE: THANKS BE TO GOD. AMEN.



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Glory Be To The Father GL

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.

THE PASSING OF PEACE

LEADER: May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. **PEOPLE: And also with you.**

> (Take a moment to greet one another in the peace of Christ and welcome those who are new to our church community)

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

All children are invited to come forward during *This Little Light of Mine* for a message and prayer.

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

(Following the Time for Young Disciples, children are invited to join Kathy Gillmore in Room 106 for Children's Church.)

Having been reconciled to God in Jesus Christ, the people are invited to share signs of reconciliation and the peace of Christ. In sharing the peace, we express the reconciliation, unity, and love that come only from God, and we open ourselves to the power of God's love to heal our brokenness and make us agents of that love in the world.



FIRST LESSON

PSALM 16:5-9 The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot. The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; I have a goodly heritage. I bless the Lord, who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me. I keep the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved. Therefore, my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices; my body also rests secure.

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord. **PEOPLE: Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM	8:30 a.m.	Cornerstone	Arr. Lloyd Larson		
Patricia Hacker & Sherry Smith					
	11:00 a.m.	<i>Immortal, Invisible</i> Chancel Choir	Gordon Young		

Immortal, invisible, God only wise, In light in accessible hid from our eyes, Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, Almighty, victorious, Thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light, Nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might; Thy justice, like mountains, high soaring above

To all, life Thou givest, to both great and small; In all life Thou livest, the true life of all; We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree, And wither and perish but naught changeth Thee.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light, Thine angels adore Thee, all vailing their sight; All praise we would render, O help us to see Thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love. 'Tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee! Amen.

SECOND LESSON

COLOSSIANS 1:15-20

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation, for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers-all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord. **PEOPLE: Thanks be to God!**

A prayer for illumination may be offered before the reading and proclaiming of the scripture. This prayer seeks the illumination of the Holy Spirit and calls upon God to make us receptive to the life-giving Word, which comes to us through the scripture. PRAYER FOR THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

The Rev. Dr. Karl Kling

SILENT MEDITATION

SERMON

The Mighty God with Power Speaks

KINGSFOLD

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (unison)

THE 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (unison)

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.

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

I Gave My Life for Thee

Arr. Mary McDonald

Want to give your offering via credit card? Scan below.



FOR ONLINE GIVING

*Those who are able, please stand > *DOXOLOGY 606

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.

/ *HYMN 13

We respond to

God's word of forgiveness and love by affirming

our faith, offering our resources, and

singing our praise.

	WORSHIP LEADERSHIP:
*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION	The Rev. Dr. Karl Kling, Transitional Pastor
*HYMN 546 Lord Dismiss Us with Your Blessing SICILIAN MARINERS	Dr. Patricia Hacker, Director of Music
SHARE GOD'S LOVE WITH THE WORLD	Dr. Lois K. Lee, Piano/Organ
*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION LEADER: And as God's people, we all say	Chancel Choir
PEOPLE: Alleluia! Amen.	Liturgists: 8:30 am - Kathleen Buckner
*CHORAL BENEDICTION	11:00 am - Kathleen Buckner
May the Grace of Christ Our Savior SARDIS Chancel Choir	Ushers: 8:30 am- Roy and Marilyn McCorkle
May the grace of Christ our Savior, And the Father's boundless love, With the Holy Spirit's favor,	11:00 am Buddy and June Guynes Mitch Carroll and Patty
Rest upon us from above.	Frierson.
Thus may we abide in union With each other and the Lord, And possess, in sweet communion, Joys which earth cannot afford. Amen	Video and Sound: Tom Stroud Dave Young Maxwell R. Carter
*POSTLUDE Work, for the Night is Coming Arr. Jerry Aultman	



9:30 Celebrate Grade Promotions Gift Bible Presentations 9:45 Sunday School Classes 11:00 Blessing of the Backpacks 12:00 Lunch

To Provide or Update Important Information Age/Grade



Contact Information



For children

What's in the Bible? videos with popcorn, art response time, and Lucy Loflin leading! Gather in Fellowship Hall For youth

Walking to **Honest Coffee** for fellowship and faith conversation, with Anne Dillon Loflin leading! Gather in GBH Youth Room

For adults

- Charles Danner Seminar class Room 207
- **Faith & Life** class John Allan Hall in Gideon Blackburn House

THIS WEEK AT FPCHSV July 20 - July 27

<u>Sunday, July 20, 2025</u>

8:15 am - 12:00 pm Nursery RM 106 8:30 - 9:30 am Worship Service SAN 8:45 - 9:30 am Children's Church RM 106/107 9:30 - 10:30 am Sunday School

- Combined Sunday School (all children) FH
- Charles Danner Seminar Class RM 207
- LEAD Youth GBH
- Hymn Sing GBH

10:30 - 11:00 am Chancel Choir Rehearsal RM 201

11:00 am Worship Service SAN

11:15 am –12:00 pm Children's Church RM 106/107

<u>Tuesday, July 22, 2025</u>

10:00 - 11:00 am Staff Meeting RM 104 5:30 - 6:30 pm CE Committee Meeting RM 207

5:30 - 6:30 pm Cub Scouts Pack 70 GBH

Wednesday, July 23, 2025

- 7:00 8:00 am Men's Bible Study FH
- 2:00 4:00 pm Goodtimers 2.0 Gathering FH
- 7:00- 8:30 pm Chancel Choir Practice CR

<u>Thursday, July 24, 2025</u>

11:00 am - 12:00 pm Prayer Group LIB/Zoom 12:00 - 1:00 pm Al-Anon GBH

3:00 - 7:00 pm Greene Street Market

Friday, July 25, 2025

Office Closed

Sunday, July 27, 2025

8:15 am - 12:00 pm Nursery RM 106

- 8:30 9:30 am Worship Service SAN
- 8:45 9:30 am Children's Church RM 106/107

9:30 - 10:30 am Sunday School

- Combined Sunday School (all children) FH
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11:15 am –12:00 pm Children's Church RM 106/107

Calendar Legend:

BR - Bell Room (RM 204)

FH - Fellowship Hall

CH - Carriage House (GBH) **CR** - Choir Room (RM 201) **GBH** - Gideon Blackburn House **HR** - Historical Room **JAH** - John Allan Hall (GBH) **SAN** - Sanctuary



PRAYER LIST

New prayer requests are in bold print.

In case of a pastoral emergency, you may contact Dr. Kling at <u>seniorpastor@fpchsv.org</u>. In order to conserve paper and printing costs, names added to the prayer list will be removed after *six weeks*. Please take the bulletin home to add these names to your daily prayers. Prayer requests should be emailed to, Kristin Pepper, Administrative Assistant, at <u>admin@fpchsv.org</u>.

Church Members:

Frances Byrd **Elaine Woodling** Anne Whitfield **Bob Monroe** Mindy Nettles **Betty Thompson Richard McElveen** Ed Green Maxwell R. Carter and family **Becky Buckner** Alicia Beam Paul Buxton Janice Fowler Charlie Watkins Ted Buckner Ted Paludan Barbara (Bonny) Morris Cay Lambert

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Ella Bryan - daughter of Katy Bryan June Galloway - daughter of Peggy & David Galloway Marlene Stark - mother of Lisa Everett Paige Olmo - daughter of Paula Weider The Wilmer Family - friends of Katy Bryan Melinda Thompson - daughter of Mary Edith Thompson Rob Klouw & Katherine Randall - friends of Rachel Harrod Chet Johnston - friend of Frederick Wessel Patricia Edmondson - friend of Bruce & Janis Williams Amner Barker Brian Cain

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The Zapototskyi Family - FPC's sponsored Ukrainian family

Members and Relatives in Specialty Care:

Marlyn and Hoyt Harris (Brookdale) Cay Lambert (Huntsville Health & Rehab) Chuck Hooker (Floyd E. Tut Fann State Veteran's Home) Annewhite Fuller (Whitesburg Gardens) Kathleen Perry (Valley View)

Military & International:

Prayers for Haiti and our mission partners. This is a critical time as the civil unrest there may undermine all humanitarian work. All those serving in the armed forces; particularly LT Connor Howard, U.S. Navy Pilot

Leadership at First Presbyterian Church

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