

# Pentecost Sunday



First Presbyterian Church

Gideon Blackburn House

May 24, 2026

# 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 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 Youth Room of GBH as needed.
- All children are invited to come forward during *This Little Light of Mine* for a message and prayer.
- Children are welcome (but never required!) to go to Youth Room in GBH for Children's Church after the Time for Young Disciples. Parents may escort them, or Children's Ministry Assistants are available to walk with them.
- 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.

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



FOR APPLE



FOR ANDROID

## **WELCOME**

May 24, 2026  
Pentecost Sunday  
Memorial Day Sunday  
8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

## **GATHER IN GOD'S NAME**

CHIMING OF THE BELL

PRELUDE

*Concerto of Praise*

Arr. Wyrzten

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Karl Kling

*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: The Holy Spirit gives us power to follow Jesus each day.

**People: The Spirit comforts us with God's grace.**

Leader: The Lord's love is poured out into our hearts.

**People: The gift of the Spirit leads us into the world to serve.**

Leader: Let us worship God.

\*OPENING PRAYER

\*HYMN OF PRAISE 280

*Come, Holy Spirit Dwell Among Us*

EBENEZER

CALL TO CONFESSION

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)**

**Our gracious God, temptation overtakes us too easily. Sometimes we grumble about hardships without asking for your help. Too often, concerns for our own comfort prevent us from caring for others. Please forgive our selfishness. Strengthen our faith through the presence of your Spirit. We pray this in Jesus's name, Amen.**

*(Let us now continue our confession in silence.)*

## **WORSHIP LEADERSHIP:**

Dr. Karl Kling,  
Transitional Pastor

Patricia Hacker,  
Director of Music

David Jones, piano  
Katie Buckner  
Grace Andersen

Liturgists:  
8:30-  
Anne Dillon Loflin

11:00-  
Bruce Williams

Ushers:  
8:30 am-  
Marilyn & Roy McCorkle

11:00 am-

Video and Sound:  
Tom Stroud  
Dave Young  
Maxwell R. Carter

Many thanks to David Jones for playing the piano today.

*\*Those who are able, please stand*

# KYRIE

## Lord Have Mercy

Hal H. Hopson

Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

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Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Chri - ste e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

13  
Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

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### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, hear the Good News! God is rich in mercy. When we were dead because of our sin, God made us alive in Christ. In the name of Jesus Christ, through the power of the Holy Spirit, you are forgiven.

### People: Thanks be to God.

\*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.*

\*THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

Dr. Kling

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 the Youth Room in GBH basement for Children's Church. Infant and toddler care is available there as needed.

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.

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

### FIRST READING

Romans 12:3–6

<sup>3</sup> For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. <sup>4</sup> For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, <sup>5</sup> so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. <sup>6</sup> We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us...

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

### ANTHEM

*Alleluia!*

William Boyce

Grace Andersen,

Arr. Mark Schweizer

Katie Buckner, Patricia Hacker

### SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 12:4–13

<sup>4</sup> Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; <sup>5</sup> and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; <sup>6</sup> and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. <sup>7</sup> To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. <sup>8</sup> To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, <sup>9</sup> to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, <sup>10</sup> to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. <sup>11</sup> All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses. <sup>12</sup> For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. <sup>13</sup> For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

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

Dr. Kling

SERMON

SILENT MEDITATION

HYMN of DISCIPLESHIP 279 *Come Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove*

ST. AGNES

We respond to God's word of forgiveness and love by affirming our faith, offering our resources, and singing our praise.

### 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

*How Beautiful*

T. Paris/Arr. L. Larson

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FOR ONLINE GIVING

\*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.*

\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

\*HYMN of Sending 354

*Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory*

BATTLE HYMN

### SHARE GOD'S LOVE WITH THE WORLD

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Dr. Kling

Leader: And as God's people, we all say

**People: Alleluia! Amen.**

\*POSTLUDE

*All Hail the Power*

Arr. Wyrzten



**Worship Resources Adapted From:**

Feasting on the Word Worship Companion Series, the Book of Common Worship, and Enterthebible.org

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**THANK YOU  
RECEPTION FOR  
PASTOR KARL &  
SUSAN KLING**

**SUNDAY, JUNE 7<sup>TH</sup>, 12PM  
GARRIAGE HOUSE & GBH GARDENS  
LEMONADE & CAKE PROVIDED**



# Vacation Bible School Update

Due to construction and flooding renovation, we will unfortunately not have Vacation Bible School at FPC this summer. We are excited to welcome everyone back for Summer 2027! Thank you for your understanding.



## Special Presbyterian Week at Camp Maranatha June 22-26, 2026

### Overnight Camp for 5<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders

Maranatha is partnering with Presbyterian (USA) churches in our presbytery and in the Birmingham area to all attend together and make this a great experience for the youth to build lasting friendships and strong churches.

Let Kathy Gillmore know if you are interested or if you have questions!

Register here!



## Sunday School Update

Youth and Children's Sunday school will be taking a break for the summer.

Be sure to join us when we resume on Rally Day!!

Children's Church & Nursery care is still available.

8:45am-9:30am/11:15am-12:00pm Children's Church  
GBH Youth Room

8:15am-12:00pm Nursery care  
GBH Basement

Adult Sunday School will continue.

9:30am-10:30am Charles Danner Seminar Class  
GBH Living Room

9:45am-10:30am Faith & Life Class  
Carriage House

# THIS WEEK AT FPCHSV

## May 24 - May 31

### Sunday, May 24, 2026

8:15am –12:00pm Nursery Room GBHB  
8:30am –9:30am Worship Service GBH  
8:45am –9:30am Children's Church GBH Youth room  
9:30am –10:30am Charles Danner Seminar Class GBH Living RM  
9:45am –10:30am Faith & Life Adult Class CH  
10:30am –11:00am Chancel Choir Rehearsal JAH  
11:00am –12:00pm Worship Service GBH  
11:15am –12:00pm Children's Church GBH Youth Room

### Monday, May 25, 2026

Memorial Day-Church Closed

### Tuesday, May 26, 2026

10:00am –11:00am Church Staff Meeting GBHLR  
5:30pm –6:30pm CE Committee Meeting CH  
5:30pm –8:30pm Cub/Boy Scouts GBH

### Wednesday, May 27, 2026

7:00am –8:00am Men's Bible Study CH  
9:30am –10:30am Construction Meeting CH  
1:30pm –3:00pm Prayer Shawl Group CH  
7:00pm –8:30pm Chancel Choir Practice JAH

### Thursday, May 28 2026

11:00am –12:00pm Prayer Group GBH Basement  
12:00pm –1:00pm Al-Anon CH

### Friday, May 29, 2026

Office Closed

### Sunday, May 31, 2026

8:15am –12:00pm Nursery Room GBHB  
8:30am –9:30am Worship Service GBH  
8:45am –9:30am Children's Church GBH Youth room  
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### Calendar Legend:

**CH** - Carriage House (GBH)

**FH** - Fellowship Hall

**GBH** - Gideon Blackburn House

**GBHB** - Gideon Blackburn House Basement

**HR** - Historical Room

**JAH** - John Allan Hall (GBH)

**GBHDR** - Gideon Blackburn House Dining Room

Due to space limitations during construction, we are currently not accepting flower donations. Any donations made since the beginning of the year will be used when we return to the sanctuary.

## PRAYER LIST

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 [admin@fpchsv.org](mailto:admin@fpchsv.org).

### **Church Members:**

Harris family  
Stephens and Schroer families  
Daughtry family and friends  
Barbara Martin and Evelyn Hurdle families  
Alice Gardner  
Betty Loeb  
Paula Weider  
Stella Wilson  
Sandra Stewart  
Frances Byrd  
Anne Whitfield  
Bob Monroe  
Ed Green  
Becky Buckner  
Alicia Beam  
Charlie Watkins  
Barbara (Bonny) Morris  
Cay Lambert  
Amelia Beimrohr

### **Friends and Family:**

Rusty Skinner-Uncle of Lindsay & Thomas Birchfield  
Kirby and Shelia Stevenson - friends of Peggy and Dave Galloway  
Charles Johnson- friend of Bo and Nancy Lundy  
Bettie Lewter - friend of Genie and Bob Miller  
Roger Holliday- father of Hamilton Holliday  
Mary Streecter  
Sarah Hankins  
Tate Grueling - friend of Harriet Bibb  
Jan Thompson- sister of Gail Sparks  
Tonya Carano- friend of Bruce & Janis Williams  
Misty Short Anderson and family and friends  
Maggie Day & Josie-cousins of George Harsh  
Marlene Stark - mother of Lisa Everett  
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  
Family and friends of Maxwell Carter  
Trusting in God's grace, we pray for our enemies.

Frances Kyser - friend of Tam Bevel & Judy Howard  
Deborah Lamb - aunt of Kaitlyn Huaroto, sister of Pam Huaroto  
Emily Loeb Locke - daughter of Betty Loeb  
Nathan Harsh Brown Chitty - cousin of George Harsh  
Bennie Jacks - friend of George & Eleanor Harsh  
Emily Neely - daughter-in-law of Serena Neely  
Marie Mitchell - mother of Libby Smith  
Antony Leo - brother of Lori Smith  
Charles Trainosky - grandson of Charlie Watkins  
Grant Adams - brother of Glen Adams  
David, Jessi, and Emma Grace Hill-friends of Davis Carter  
Claudia Fahrner  
Sam Eidt - friend of Betty and Ed Green  
Patty Monnett- friend of Katy Bryan

### **Members and Relatives in Specialty Care:**

Hoyt Harris (Brookdale)  
Cay Lambert (Huntsville Health & Rehab)  
Annewhite Fuller (Whitesburg Gardens)

### **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

## Ministry Team and Staff

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Dr. Karl Kling, *Transitional Senior Pastor*.....seniorpastor@fpchsv.org  
Lora Bohan, *First Friends Director*.....ffdirector@fpchsv.org  
Ellen DeAngelo, *Director of Finance & Administration*.....finance@fpchsv.org  
Kathy Gillmore, *Director of Christian Education*.....dce@fpchsv.org  
Dr. Patricia Hacker, *Director of Music*.....music@fpchsv.org  
Dr. Lois K. Lee, *Organist/Pianist*  
Anne Dillon Loflin, *Youth Director*.....youth@fpchsv.org  
Kristin Pepper, *Administrative Assistant*.....admin@fpchsv.org  
Gary Whited, *Facilities Coordinator*.....facilities@fpchsv.org

## CHURCH OFFICERS

### Elders:

Class of 2026  
Caitlin Thomas, Christian Education Committee  
Houston Matthews, Finance Committee  
Diann Berry, Mission and Evangelism Committee  
David Young, Worship Committee

Class of 2027  
James Lee, Christian Education Committee  
Hamilton Holliday Sr., Finance Committee  
Erin Cobb, Mission and Evangelism Committee  
Nicole Schroer, Worship Committee

Class of 2028  
Daniel Carter-Finance/Personnel  
Nancy Lundy-Missions/Evangelism  
Libby Rentz-Christian Education  
Sherry Smith-Worship

### Deacons:

Class of 2026  
Katy Bryan, Care Committee  
Hudson Cornelius, Fellowship  
Committee  
Courtney Allen, Hospitality Committee

Class of 2027  
Ginger Bryant, Care Committee  
Jenny Schreeder, Fellowship  
Committee  
Vicky Goodwin, Hospitality Committee

Class of 2028  
Marian Bevel-Care Committee  
Dave Goodwin-Hospitality Committee  
Brent Cobb-Fellowship Committee

### Trustees:

Class of 2026  
Roy McCorkle  
Angela Rawls

Class of 2027  
Ryan Parker  
Melissa Rowe

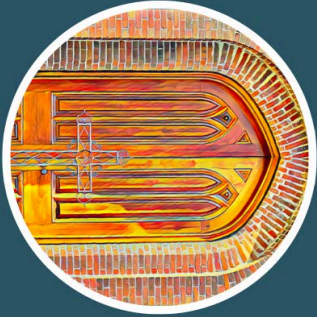
Class of 2028  
Mac Martinson  
Andy Watson

### Church Nominating Committee:

Erin Cobb- Chair, Session  
Nicole Schroer- Session  
Lucinda Shreeder  
Glen Adams  
Patty Conley  
Bob Frank Smith  
Jenny Schreeder- Deacons

### Presbyterian Women:

Stella Wilson, Moderator



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