

First Presbyterian Church

“Follow Me”



Virtual Church Service
January 25, 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 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 105 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 Room 205 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,
or listen to sermons later in the week, at:



FOR APPLE



FOR ANDROID

WELCOME

Third Sunday of Epiphany
January 25, 2026
Virtual Worship
GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

CHIMING OF THE BELL

PRELUDE

Love Divine All Love Excelling
Arr. Rowland Prichard

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: We worship God with songs of joy.

People: God is the Rock of our salvation.

Leader: We worship God with gratitude and thanksgiving.

People: The Lord is King over all creation.

Leader: Let us worship God.

*OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN of PRAISE 611

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

HYMN TO JOY

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

CALL TO CONFESSON

PRAYER OF CONFESSON (unison)

Holy God, there were times this past week when we disappointed you, our loved ones, or other people. We did things that were wrong or failed to act when we should. We closed our eyes to the needs of others and overlooked our own mistakes. Please forgive our sin and renew us through your Holy Spirit. We pray this in Christ's name, Amen.

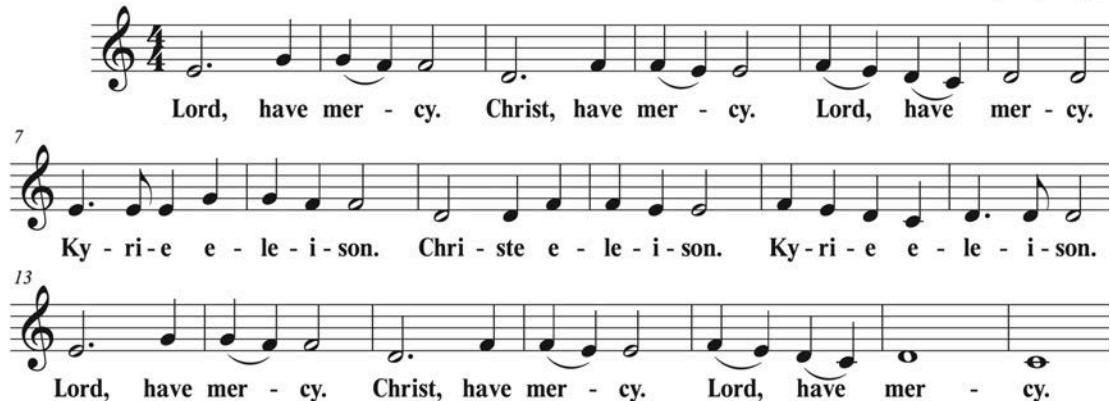
(Let us now continue our confession in silence.)

**Those who are able, please stand*

KYRIE

Lord Have Mercy

Hal H. Hops



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

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

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

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ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, God promises that all who humbly confess their sin will receive God's mercy and be cleansed by his love. In Jesus Christ, 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.*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Jonah 3:1-5, v10

¹ The word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time, saying, ² “Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you.” ³ So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days’ walk across. ⁴ Jonah began to go into the city, going a day’s walk. And he cried out, “Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!” ⁵ And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth. ... ¹⁰ When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

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.

ANTHEM

Steal Away
Chancel Choir

Arr. Brian Tate

*Steal away to Jesus. Steal away home.
I ain't got long to stay here.*

*My Lord, he calls me by the thunder,
The trumpet sounds within my soul;
I ain't got long to stay here.*

*Green trees are bending,
Poor sinners stands a – trembling
The trumpet sound within my soul;
I ain't got long to stay here.*

SECOND LESSON

Mark 1:14–20

¹⁴ Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, ¹⁵ and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.” ¹⁶ As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea —for they were

fishermen. ¹⁷ And Jesus said to them, “Follow me and I will make you fish for people.” ¹⁸ And immediately they left their nets and followed him. ¹⁹ As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. ²⁰ Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men and followed him.

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

PRAYER FOR THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Dr. Kling

SERMON

SILENT MEDITATION

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.

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



FOR ONLINE GIVING

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

Oh, Glory!

Marc Morgan, baritone

Arr. Hall Johnson

Oh, glory! There is room enough in Paradise

To have a home in glory.

Jesus, my all, to heav'n is gone

to have a home in glory,

He whom I fixed my hopes upon,

To have a home in glory.

His track I see and I'll pursue to have a home.

The narrow way till Him I view. To have a home.

*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 726

Will You Come and Follow Me

THE SUMMONS

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

I Love to Tell the Story

Arr. Joel Raney



Worship Resources Adapted From:

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

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Register Now for the Spring Semester
Jan 14 - Mar 25
5:00 - 7:00 *For all ages!*

WEDNESDAY **NIGHT** LIVE



Preschool Bible & Color Handbells
Children's Bible & Children's Choir
Preparing for Children's Sunday Mar 29
Youth Dinner & Small Groups
Adult Class



Scan for more info or to register!

Baptism Ed Workshop and
Milestone Celebration
for 5th graders

*walk
with
me*

Feb 8

9:30 - 10:30 am

John Allen Hall

Register here



PRAYER

Milestone

**MARCH
8TH
9:30 - 10:30**

FOR 1ST - 3RD GRADERS
and older children



Register at
fpchsv.org/events

or here



Jesus' Teachings for Today

The teaching of Jesus from the Gospel of Luke

Scripture exploration
and
discussion

How do Jesus' teachings apply to our lives?

Adult Class
Wednesday Night Live

January 14-March 25
with Rev. Dr. Richard Brooks

5:30-6:30
Library (room 104)



THIS WEEK AT FPCHSV

January 25 - February 1

Sunday, January 25, 2026

****Virtual Church Service****

Monday, January 27, 2026

9:00am -1:00pm First Friends Preschool

5:30pm -6:30pm Mission and Evangelism Meeting
LIB

Tuesday, January 27, 2026

9:00am -1:00pm First Friends Preschool

9:30am -11:30am First Friends Theater FH

10:00am -11:00am Church Staff Meeting LIB

5:30pm -6:30pm CE Committee Meeting Rm 207

5:30pm -8:30pm Cub/Boy Scouts GBH

6:00pm -8:30pm HMC Practice CR

Wednesday, January 28, 2026

7:00am -8:00am Men's Bible Study FH

9:00am -1:00pm First Friends Preschool

11:30am -12:30pm Moms at the Well GBH

1:30pm -3:00pm Prayer Shawl Group Rm 104 LIB

5:00pm -7:00pm Children's WNL Spring Semester

5:30pm -7:00pm Adult WNL Spring Semester

7:00pm -8:30pm Chancel Choir Practice CR

7:00pm -8:00pm PYC Small Groups LIB/GBH

Thursday, January 29, 2026

9:00am -1:00pm First Friends Preschool

10:15am -10:30am First Friends Chapel FH

11:00am -12:00pm Prayer Group LIB/Zoom

12:00pm -1:00pm Al-Anon GBH

7:00pm -8:30pm PNC Meeting LIB RM 104

Friday, January 30, 2026

9:00am -1:00pm First Friends Preschool

Sunday, February 1, 2026

HOLY COMMUNION

8:15am -12:00pm Nursery Room 105/106

8:30am -9:30am Worship Service GBH

8:45am -9:30am Children's Church RM 205

9:30am -10:30am Charles Danner Seminar Class LIB

9:30am -10:30am Confirmation Class FH

9:30am -10:30am LEAD Youth GBH

9:30am -10:30am Westminster Ringers BR

10:00am -10:30am Connect 4th & 5th RM 012

10:00am -10:30am Faith & Life Adult Class CH

10:00am -10:30am Holy Moly K - 3rd RM 010

10:00am -10:30am Peepers SS (Preschool) RM 108/109

10:30am -11:00am Chancel Choir Rehearsal/CR

11:00am -12:00pm Worship Service GBH

11:15am -12:00pm Children's Church RM 205

5:00pm -6:30pm PYC GBH

Calendar Legend:

BR - Bell Room (RM 204)	GBH - Gideon Blackburn
CH - Carriage House (GBH)	House
CR - Choir Room (RM 201)	HR - Historical Room
FH - Fellowship Hall	JAH - John Allan Hall
LIB - Library (RM104)	(GBH)
	SAN - 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.

Church Members:

Fowler family and friends
Buckner family and friends
Perry and Whitfield families and friends
Fee family and friends
Joseph & Allison Davis and family
Ida Jo Daughtry
Betty Loeb
Paula Weider
Stella Wilson
Sandra Stewart
Frances Byrd
Anne Whitfield
Bob Monroe
Betty Thompson
Ed Green
Becky Buckner
Alicia Beam
Charlie Watkins
Barbara (Bonny) Morris
Cay Lambert
Amelia Beimrohr

Friends and Family:

Sarah Hankins
Tanya Carano- friend of Bruce & Janis Williams
April Woods- great-niece of Dave & Peggy Galloway
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
Katie Little Pickle - great niece of Dave & Peggy Galloway
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:

Marlyn and Hoyt Harris (Brookdale)
Cay Lambert (Huntsville Health & Rehab)
Chuck Hooker (Floyd E. Tut Fann State Veteran's Home)
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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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
Dave Goodwin-Hospitality
Brent Cobb-Fellowship

Trustees:

Class of 2026
Roy McCorkle
Angela Rawls

Class of 2027
Ryan Parker
Melissa Rowe

Class of 2028
Mac Martinson
Andy Watson

Pastor Nominating Committee:

Davis Carter
Heath Causey
Woodward Howard
Stephanie Hyatt
James Lee
Barbara Rahrer
Janis Williams

Presbyterian Women

Stella Wilson, Moderator



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