

Come and See



First Presbyterian Church

Gideon Blackburn House

January 18, 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

Second Sunday of Epiphany
January 18, 2026
8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

CHIMING OF THE BELL

PRELUDE *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name* Marianne Kim

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: As we worship this morning, God calls us together by name.

People: The Risen Christ walks with us every day.

Leader: Open your hearts to the kindness of God's Spirit.

People: We will walk humbly with our Lord.

All: Let us worship God

*OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN of Praise 1 *Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty* NICAEA

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Our Loving God, we confess that sometimes we close our ears to your call. Pride causes us to forget your mercy. We focus on material possessions instead of building loving relationships. Please forgive our sin. We pray this in Jesus' name, Amen.

(Let us now continue our confession in silence.)

WORSHIP LEADERSHIP:

Dr. Karl Kling,
Transitional Pastor

Dr. Patricia Hacker,
Director of Music

Lois K. Lee,
Pianist

Chancel Choir

Liturgists:
8:30-
Roy McCorkle
11:00 am -
Anne Dillon Loflin

Ushers:
8:30 am-
Chuck & Jodi Karr

11:00 am-
Jim Slate, Patty
Frierson,
Vicky & Dave
Goodwin

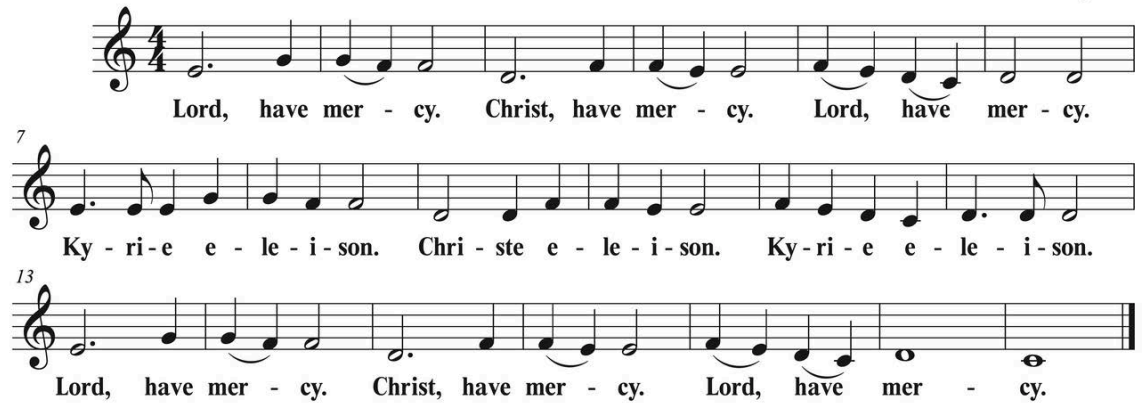
Video and Sound:
Tom Stroud
Dave Young
Maxwell R. Carter

**Those who are
able, please stand*

KYRIE

Lord Have Mercy

Hal H. Hopson



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ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, Jesus Christ promises mercy to all who believe in him. As we confess our sin and respond to Christ's call, we receive the assurance of God's grace. Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel. 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.*

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.

*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 Room 205 for Children's Church. Infant and toddler care is available in room 105 as needed.

**Those who are able,
please stand*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST LESSON

Psalm 34:1–9

¹ I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.
² My soul makes its boast in the Lord; let the humble hear and be glad. ³ O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together. ⁴ I sought the Lord, and he answered me, and delivered me from all my fears. ⁵ Look to him, and be radiant; so your faces shall never be ashamed. ⁶ This poor soul cried, and was heard by the Lord, and was saved from every trouble. ⁷ The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him, and delivers them. ⁸ O taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are those who take refuge in him. ⁹ O fear the Lord, you his holy ones, for those who fear him have no want.

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

Medieval Gloria
Chancel Choir

Vijay Singh

*Gloria in excelsis Deo
En in terra pax, pax hominibus
Bonae voluntatis
Laudamus te, benedicimus te
Adormus te, glorificamus te.*

*Glory to God in the highest
And on earth peace to all men
And goodwill
We exalt you, we bless you
We adore you, we glorify you.*

SECOND LESSON

John 1:43–51

⁴³ The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, “Follow me.” ⁴⁴ Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. ⁴⁵ Philip found Nathanael and said to him, “We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth.” ⁴⁶ Nathanael said to him, “Can anything good come out of Nazareth?” Philip said to him, “Come and see.” ⁴⁷ When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, “Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!” ⁴⁸ Nathanael asked him, “Where did you get to know me?” Jesus answered, “I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.” ⁴⁹ Nathanael replied, “Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!” ⁵⁰ Jesus answered, “Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.” ⁵¹ And he said to him, “Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.”

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.

**Those who are able, please stand*

PRAYER FOR THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Dr. Kling

SERMON

SILENT MEDITATION

HYMN of Discipleship 451

Open My Eyes that I May See

OPEN MY EYES

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

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

*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

Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring
Daniel Lee, Oboe

J.S. Bach



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.*

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

*HYMN of Sending 353

My Hope is Built on Nothing Less

SOLID ROCK

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

Praise the Lord, The Almighty

Arr. Joel Raney



Sunday Morning Worship

8:30-9:30 and 11:00-12:00

Gideon Blackburn House

Faith Formation

9:30-10:30

Youth LEAD (GBH-Basement)

Confirmation Class (Fellowship Hall)

Charles Danner Seminar (Library Rm 104)

10:00-10:30

Peepers Preschool (Rm108/109)

Children's Sunday School (Rm010)

Faith & Life Class (Carriage House)

9:30-10:00 & 10:30-10:55

Fellowship Time (Carriage House)



Worship Resources Adapted From:

Feasting on the Word Worship Companion Series, the Book of Common Worship, and Enterthebible.org
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**Those who are
able, please stand*

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!

Jesus' Teachings for Today

The teaching of Jesus from the Gospel of Luke

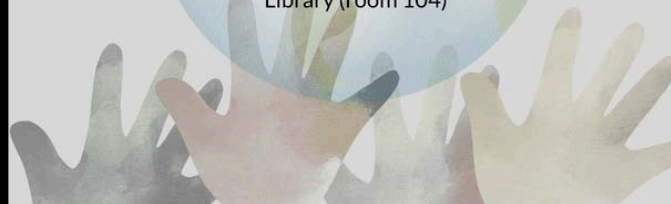
Scripture exploration
and
discussion

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)



PRAYER Milestone

JAN 25
9:30 - 10:30

**FOR 1ST- 3RD GRADERS
and older children**



Register at
fchsv.org/events

or here



Baptism Ed Workshop and
Milestone Celebration
for 5th graders

walk with me

Feb 8

9:30 - 10:30 am

John Allen Hall

Register here



THIS WEEK AT FPCHSV

January 18 - January 25

Sunday, January 18, 2026

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 LEAD Youth GBH
9:30am –10:30am Westminster Ringers BR
10:00am –11:00am Combined Sunday School FH
10:00am –10:30am Faith & Life Adult Class CH
10:30am –11:00am Chancel Choir Rehearsal/Choir RM
11:00am –12:00pm Worship Service GBH
11:15am –12:00pm Children's Church RM 205

Monday, January 19, 2026

No First Friends
Church Closed

Tuesday, January 20, 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 –8:30pm Cub/Boy Scouts GBH

Wednesday, January 21, 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 –6:30pm Adult WNL Class LIB
7:00pm –8:30pm Chancel Choir Practice CR
7:00pm –8:00pm PYC Small Groups LIB/GBH

Thursday, January 22, 2026

9:00am –1:00pm First Friends Preschool
10:15am –10:30am First Friends Chapel SAN
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 23, 2026

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

Sunday, January 25, 2026

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
9:30am –10:30am LEAD Youth GBH
9:30-10:30am “Pray with Me” Milestone Workshop JAH
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/Choir RM
11:00am –12:00pm Worship Service GBH
11:15am –12:00pm Children's Church RM 205
12:00-2:00pm Deacon's lunch meeting
5:00pm –7:00pm PYC GBH

Calendar Legend:

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

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:

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
Janice Fowler
Charlie Watkins
Barbara (Bonny) Morris
Cay Lambert
Amelia Beimrohr

Friends and Family:

Tate Grueling - friend of Harriet Bibb
Jan Thompson- sister of Gail Sparks
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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Dr. Karl Kling, *Transitional Senior Pastor*.....seniorpastor@fpchsv.org
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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
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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
Dave Goodwin-Hospitality
Brent Cobb-Fellowship

Trustees:

Class of 2026
Roy McCorkle
Angela Rawls

Class of 2027
Ryan Parker
Melissa Rowe

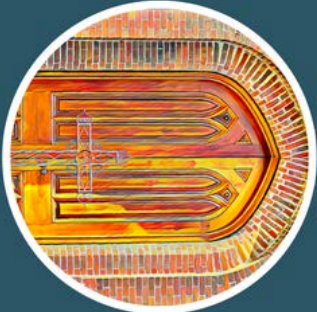
Class of 2028
Mac Martinson
Andy Watson

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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