

# Glad and Generous Hearts



First Presbyterian Church

October 12, 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 Rooms 105 and 106 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](http://fpchsv.org),  
or listen to sermons later in the week, at:



FOR APPLE



FOR ANDROID

## **WELCOME**

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
October 12, 2025  
8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

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

CHIMING OF THE BELL

PRELUDE                      *For the Beauty of the Earth*                      Arr. M. McConnell

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: Let us sing joyful songs to the Lord.

**People: God is the Rock of our salvation.**

Leader: Come into God's presence with thanksgiving.

**People: The Lord is our great King and there is no other.**

Leader: Let us worship God.

\*OPENING PRAYER

\*HYMN 327      *From All That Dwells Below the Skies*      LASST UNS ERFREUEN

CALL TO CONFESSION

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION (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 or 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.)*

## **WORSHIP LEADERSHIP:**

Dr. Karl Kling,  
Transitional Pastor

Dr. Patricia Hacker,  
Director of Music

Lois K. Lee,  
Organist

Chancel Choir  
Westminster Ringers

Liturgists:  
8:30 & 11:30 am -  
Stephanie Hyatt

Ushers:  
8:30 am -  
Roy & Marilyn McCorkle

11:00 am -  
Jason Duke,  
Karen Madison, Doug  
Madison, Mary  
Margaret Cofield

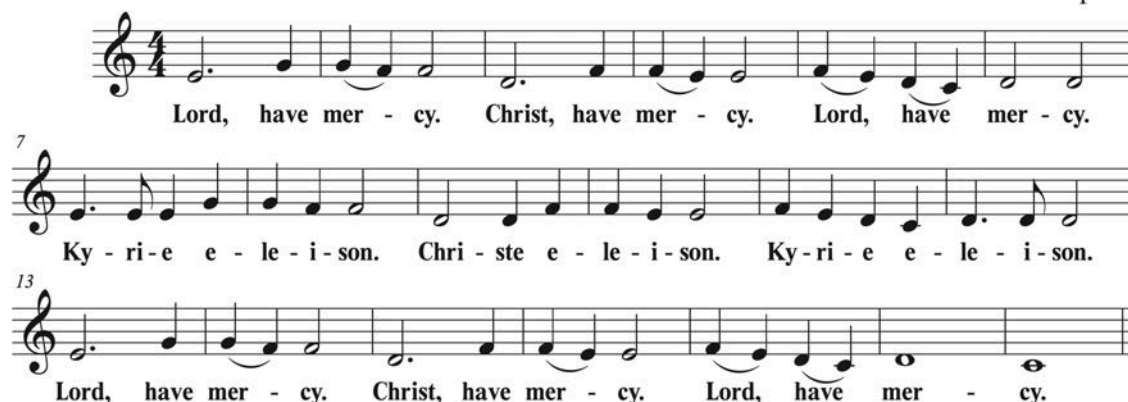
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Tom Stroud  
Dave Young  
Maxwell R. Carter

*\*Those who are  
able, please stand*

# KYRIE

## Lord Have Mercy

Hal H. Hopson



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### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, all who humbly confess their sin will be filled with God's mercy and cleansed by his grace. 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.*

\*THE PASSING OF 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)*

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.

*\*Those who are able,  
please stand*

## 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 rooms 105 and 106 as needed.

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

#### FIRST LESSON

Psalm 133:1-3

<sup>1</sup> How very good and pleasant it is when kindred live together in unity! <sup>2</sup> It is like the precious oil on the head, running down upon the beard, on the beard of Aaron, running down over the collar of his robes. <sup>3</sup> It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion. For there the Lord ordained his blessing, life forevermore.

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

#### ANTHEM

8:30 & 11:00 *Joshua Fit the Battle of Jericho* AFRICAN AMERICAN SPIRITUAL  
Westminster Ringers Arr. Martha Lynn

#### SECOND LESSON

Acts 2:46-47

<sup>46</sup> Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, <sup>47</sup> praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

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. Karl Kling

SERMON

SILENT MEDITATION

Hymn 647

*Give Thanks*

GIVE THANKS

### 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  
8:30 & 11:00

*Sweet Hour of Prayer*  
Westminster Ringers

SWEET HOUR  
Arr. Mary Lou Fast

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.*

\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

\*HYMN 313

*Lord, Makes Us More Holy*    LORD, MAKE US MORE HOLY

### **SHARE GOD'S LOVE WITH THE WORLD**

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

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

**People: Alleluia! Amen.**

\*CHORAL BENEDICTION

*Go Out with Joy*

Hank Beebe

*For you shall go out in joy  
Be led forth in peace,  
The mountains and the hills  
Shall break forth before you into singing,  
And all the trees shall clap their hands.*

\*POSTLUDE

*Toccata*

David Hegarty

**Worship Resources Adapted From:**

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



# Intergenerational Mission Night

supporting the  
Kairos Prison Ministry



5:30-7:00  
includes  
dinner

Wed  
Oct 15

After dinner and an inspiring presentation about this mission, we will make cookies, placemats, and paper prayer chains. All ages can participate.



please register for the dinner count

OCTOBER 26, 2025

FIRST  
PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH

3:00-  
4:30PM

307 GATES  
AVE



HOT DOGS!

POPCORN!

# TRUNK or TREAT

BOUNCY  
SLIDE!

SIGN UP TO DONATE CANDY OR  
PROVIDE A TRUNK!



NO KID SLEEPS  
ON THE FLOOR  
IN OUR TOWN!

## FPC YOUTH BEDDING DRIVE

Sunday, September 28th-Sunday, October 26th

Supporting Sleep in Heavenly Peace bed building project!

FPC Youth group is accepting NEW TWIN sheet sets, comforters and pillowcase donations! Twin bed in a bag sets are preferred. Purchases can be made through the Amazon wishlist or delivered to the Fellowship Hall donation box. Thank you for your support!!



Amazon Wishlist



Help someone  
see a brighter  
future!

### Where Can You Drop Off ??

Bring your old prescription eyeglasses, sunglasses, and reading glasses to the donation box in the Fellowship Hall.

**Every pair helps!!**

Donate your used  
eyeglasses  
today!





# THIS WEEK AT FPCHSV

## October 12- October 19

### **Sunday, October 12, 2025**

8:15am –12:00pm Nursery Room 105/106  
 8:30am –9:30am Worship Service SAN  
 8:45am –9:30am Children's Church RM 205  
 9:30am –10:30am Charles Danner Seminar Class LIB  
 9:30am –10:30am Westminster Ringers BR  
 10:00am –10:30am Combined Children's Sunday School FH  
 10:00am –10:30am Faith & Life Adult Class JAH  
 10:30am –11:00am Chancel Choir Rehearsal/Choir RM  
 11:00am –12:00pm Worship Service SAN  
 11:15am –12:00pm Children's Church RM 205  
 12:00: Congregational Meeting SAN

### **Monday, October 13, 2025**

9:00am –1:00pm First Friends Preschool  
 10:00am –12:00pm PW Circle 1 CH  
 10:00am –12:00pm PW Circle 2 RM 104 LIB  
 4:30pm –6:00pm PW Evening Circle CH

### **Tuesday, October 14, 2025**

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  
 6:30pm –8:30pm HMC CR

### **Wednesday, October 15, 2025**

7:00am –8:00am Men's Bible Study FH  
 9:00am –1:00pm First Friends Preschool  
 9:30am –10:30am Construction Meeting RM 104 LIB  
 11:30am –12:30pm Moms at the Well GBH  
 1:30pm –3:00pm Pray Shawl Group Rm 104 LIB  
 5:30pm –7:00pm WNL Intergenerational Mission Night  
 7:00pm –8:30pm Chancel Choir Practice CR  
 7:00pm –8:00pm PYC Small Groups LIB/GBH

### **Thursday, October 16, 2025**

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

### **Friday, October 17, 2025**

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

### **Sunday, October 19, 2025**

8:15am –12:00pm Nursery Room 105/106  
 8:30am –9:30am Worship Service SAN  
 8:45am –9:30am Children's Church RM 205  
 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 JAH  
 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 SAN  
 11:15am –12:00pm Children's Church RM 205  
 12:00pm –2:00pm PKC FH "Meet a Snake"  
 12:15pm –2:00pm Session Meeting/Leadership Training GBH W/Lunch  
 5:00pm –6:30pm PYC GBH

#### Calendar Legend:

<b>BR</b> - Bell Room (RM 204)	<b>GBH</b> - Gideon Blackburn House
<b>CH</b> - Carriage House (GBH)	<b>HR</b> - Historical Room
<b>CR</b> - Choir Room (RM 201)	<b>JAH</b> - John Allan Hall (GBH)
<b>FH</b> - Fellowship Hall	<b>SAN</b> - Sanctuary
<b>LIB</b> - 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](mailto:admin@fpchsv.org).

### **Church Members:**

Stella Wilson  
Sandra Stewart  
Carsten Schroer  
Frances Byrd  
Anne Whitfield  
Bob Monroe  
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  
Jan Nickoloff  
Amelia Beimrohr

### **Friends and Family:**

Gayla McKinney Plott-friend of Bruce & Janis Williams  
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  
Brian Cain  
Mike Moore  
Erik and Paul Davis

Family of Mike Galant - friends of Maxwell R. Carter  
David Barnes - friend of Maxwell R. Carter  
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  
Vickie Boone - friend of Nancy Lundy  
Mr. Bookout - friend of Ron & Lisa Stephens  
Mr. Wade - friend of Ron & Lisa Stephens  
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  
Nancy Neely Harris - sister of Mary Margaret Cofield  
Marie Mitchell - mother of Libby Smith  
Antony Leo - brother of Lori Smith  
Charles Trainosky - grandson of Charlie Watkins  
Grant Adams - brother of Glen Adams  
The Zapototskyi Family - FPC's sponsored Ukrainian family  
David, Jessi, and Emma Grace Hill-friends of Davis Carter  
Jared Breach  
Claudia Fahrner

Sam Eidt - friend of Betty and Ed Green  
Patty Monnett- friend of Katy Bryan  
Gary Hartwig- friend of Bruce and Janis Williams

### **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

## Ministry Team and Staff

(256) 536-3354

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 2025  
Leigh Brown, Christian Education Committee  
Buddy Guynes, Finance Committee  
John Howard, Jr., Mission and Evangelism Committee  
Serena Neely, Worship Committee  
  
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

#### Deacon for Fellowship Candidate

##### Brent Cobb

Brent was raised in the PCUSA church since birth and is grateful for his home congregation (Covenant Presbyterian) in Anniston, AL, who were faithful to their baptismal vows to teach, nurture, and love him during his formative years. After several years on active duty in the Air Force, he moved with his family to Huntsville in 2007 to take a position with NASA where he still works today. Brent and Erin were members at Faith Presbyterian in Huntsville from 2008 until 2023 when the Cobb family joined 1st Presbyterian. He has served as an elder in two previous churches and looks forward to serving the members of 1st Presbyterian as a Deacon. He enjoys running, trail running, reading, gardening, and joining in the exploits of his family—Erin, Sarah, Jake, and Ephraim.

#### Deacons:

Class of 2025  
Daniel Carter, Care Committee  
June Guynes, Fellowship Committee  
Clinton Wann, Hospitality Committee  
  
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 Officers-Elect

#### Deacons:

Marian Bevel-Care  
Dave Goodwin-Hospitality

#### Elders:

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

#### Trustees:

Mac Martinson, Andy Watson

#### Trustees:

Class of 2025  
Jerry Gattis  
Charlie Watkins

Class of 2026  
Roy McCorkle  
Angela Rawls

Class of 2027  
Ryan Parker  
Melissa Rowe

#### Presbyterian Women

Stella Wilson, Moderator

#### Pastor Nominating Committee:

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

**\*\*Congregational Meeting to  
be held, today, October 12<sup>th</sup>,  
after the 11:00 service, for  
voting on Deacon candidate.\*\***



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