



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN  
Church of Nashville

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

February 22, 2026

8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. **A**nd lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: **F**or thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever: **Amen.**

**F**or if ye forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly **F**ather will also forgive you.

**B**ut if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your **F**ather forgive your trespasses.

**M**oreover, when ye fast, be not as the hypocrites, of a sad countenance: for they disfigure their faces, that they

## WORDS OF PREPARATION

*There may be religions that come to you through quiet walks in the woods, or by sitting quietly in the library with a book, or rummaging around in the recesses of your psyche. Christianity is not one of them. Christianity is inherently communal, a matter of life in the Body, the church. Jesus did not call isolated individuals to follow him. He called a group of disciples.*

—Will Willimon and Stanley Hauerwas, *Lord, Teach Us*

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

VOLUNTARY

*Adagio from Toccata, Adagio and Fugue in C major, BWV 564*  
J.S. Bach

WELCOME

Gage Arnold

INTROIT

*Come Ye that Love the Lord*  
arr. Alice Parker

Come, ye that love the Lord, and let your love be known; join in a song of sweet accord and thus surround the throne and thus surround the throne. Let those refuse to sing who never knew our God; but favorites of the heav'nly King may speak their joys abroad, may speak their joys abroad.

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Dr. John Musgrave (8:30)  
Rev. Sarah Hill (11:00)

Leader: Let us worship God, who has done great things.

**All: We rejoice in our God, who made a way through the desert of this world.**

Leader: Let us worship God, who has caused streams of mercy to flow in the wasteland.

**All: We are the people God has formed through Christ; we worship him, and we rejoice!**

Leader: Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.

**All: We praise God for the grace that has saved us. Alleluia! We rejoice!**

\*OPENING HYMN 475

*Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing*  
NETTLETON

\*PRAYER OF ADORATION

Adrian Taylor

FIRST LESSON | Isaiah 1:16-20 (page 566)

Lock Ross (8:30)  
Laura May (11:00)

<sup>16</sup> Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your deeds from before my eyes; cease to do evil, <sup>17</sup> learn to do good; seek justice, correct oppression; bring justice to the fatherless, plead the widow's cause. <sup>18</sup> "Come now, let us reason together, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool. <sup>19</sup> If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land; <sup>20</sup> but if you refuse and rebel, you shall be eaten by the sword; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken."

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

CALL TO CONFESSION

Dr. Sandra Randleman

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

*A moment for silent confession.*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*RESPONSE OF GRATITUDE 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.**

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH | 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.**

*Whether you are a longtime member or a guest, please mark your presence by signing the friendship pad and greet those seated near you as you pass it along.*

‡BLESSING OF THE YOUNG DISCIPLES

Rev. Mallory Hammond

*‡During the 8:30 and 11:00 services, PreK and Kindergarten children (ages 4–6) are invited to join Young Children & Worship.*

HYMN OF PREPARATION 458

*Thy Word Is a Lamp unto My Feet*  
Amy Grant | Michael W. Smith

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING | Matthew 6:5-15 (page 811)

<sup>5</sup> “And when you pray, you must not be like the hypocrites. For they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, that they may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. <sup>6</sup> But when you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you. <sup>7</sup> And when you pray, do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do, for they think that they will be heard for their many words. <sup>8</sup> Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him. <sup>9</sup> Pray then like this: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. <sup>10</sup> Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. <sup>11</sup> Give us this day our daily bread, <sup>12</sup> and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. <sup>13</sup> And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. <sup>14</sup> For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you, <sup>15</sup> but if you do not forgive others their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.”

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

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SERMON

**Kingdom Prayer**

Dr. Ryan Moore

*And your Father who sees in secret will reward you. —Matthew 6:6*

OFFERTORY

*Kyrie from Requiem Opus No. 9*  
Maurice Duruflé

*Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.*

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy

*As you reflect on the Lord's goodness, you can make an offering by dropping your gift in the offering plate, texting "GIVE" to 707-475-3005, or donating online at [fpcnashville.org](http://fpcnashville.org).*

THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them up to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All: It is right for us to give thanks and praise.**

Pastor: It is right and good and a joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we magnify your glorious name, evermore praising you and singing...

*Sanctus and Benedictus from St. Anne's Mass*  
James MacMillan

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might.**

**Heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he, O blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.**

Pastor: Lord, our God, send your Holy Spirit so that this bread and cup may be for us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. May we and all your saints be united with Christ and remain faithful in hope and love. Gather your whole church, O Lord, into the glory of your kingdom.

**All: Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty Father, now and forevermore. Amen.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

*Communion at First Presbyterian Church is offered to all baptized Christians and will be served today by intinction. When your row is called, come forward, take a piece of bread, dip it into the cup, and receive both elements together. The cup is juice and the bread is gluten free.*

COMMUNION ANTHEM

*Your Only Son*  
LAMB OF GOD

Your only Son, no sin to hide, but you have sent him from your side to walk upon this guilty sod, and to become the Lamb of God. *O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the holy Lamb of God! O wash me in his precious*

blood, my Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God. Your gift of love, we crucified; we laughed and scorned him as he died; the humble King we named a fraud and sacrificed the Lamb of God. I was so lost, I should have died, but you have brought me to your side to be led by your staff and rod, and to be called a lamb of God.

COMMUNION HYMN

*How Deep the Father's Love*  
Stuart Townend

(1.)How deep the Fa - ther's love for us, how vast be - yond all meas - ure that  
 (2.)Be - hold the Man up - on a cross, my sin up - on His shoul - ders. A -  
 3 (3.)I will not boast in an - y - thing: No gifts, no pow'r, no wis - dom. But  
 He should give His on - ly Son to make a wretch His treas - ure. How  
 shamed, I hear my mock - ing voice call out a - mong the scof - fers. It  
 5 I will boast in Je - sus Christ: His death and res - ur - rec - tion. Why  
 great the pain of sear - ing loss. The Fa - ther turns His face a - way as  
 was my sin that held Him there un - til it was ac - com - plished; His  
 7 should I gain from His re - ward? I can - not give an an - swer. But  
 wounds which mar the Cho - sen One bring man - y sons to glo - ry.  
 dy - ing breath has brought me life. I know that it is fin - ished.  
 this I know with all my heart: His wounds have paid my ran - som.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Dr. Darren Kennedy

**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.**

\*CLOSING HYMN 223

*When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*  
HAMBURG

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE

*I Will Lift Mine Eyes*  
Jake Runestad

The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this day forth for evermore.

\*CLOSING VOLUNTARY

*Passacaglia in D Minor, BuxWV 161*  
Dietrich Buxtehude

\* Those who are able, please stand.

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## SYMPATHIES

We extend our condolences to the family and friends of  
**Eleanor Lawson Willis**, who died February 13.

### PARTICIPANTS IN THE SERVICE

Ryan Moore, PhD – *Pastor*  
Mallory Hammond, MDiv – *Parish Associate, Director of Ministry to Children and Their Families*  
Darren Kennedy, PhD – *Associate Pastor for Discipleship*  
Sara Hill, MDiv – *Parish Associate for Congregational Care*  
John Musgrave, DMin – *Parish Associate*  
Sandra Randleman, DMin – *Parish Associate for Congregational Care*  
Gage Arnold, MDiv – *Director of Youth Programming*  
Adrian Taylor, MDiv – *Director of Missions Ministry*  
Raphael Bundage, DMA – *Director of Music*  
Joseph Fala, MM – *Assistant Director of Music and Organist*  
Rhonda Swanson, MM – *Assistant Organist*  
*Acolytes* – Graham Swafford, Kennedy Swafford, Elaine Morgan, Jack Morgan  
FPC Choristers

### SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Flowers in the chancel are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Ellen Howell Henderson Seeley by the Seeley family.

### SUPPORTING FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

You can make a gift or fulfill a pledge payment by placing your gift in the offering plate, texting “GIVE” to 707-475-3005, donating online at [fpcnashville.org](http://fpcnashville.org), or scan the QR code.



## WELCOME

**First Presbyterian Church** extends a warm welcome in the name of Christ to all who worship with us today. Since 1814 First Presbyterian has sought to be faithful in service to Jesus Christ and the common good. We are rooted in the Reformed, orthodox, and evangelical traditions of the larger church. If you do not have a church home, we would love to welcome you!

### Hearing Assistance App Directions

Join FPC\_guest WiFi network. You must be connected to this network for the app to work. Download the WaveCAST app. Open the app and select “First Pres Sanctuary.” Plug in your headphones and adjust the volume to your preference.

To **livestream** worship or to view past services, visit [youtube.com/firstpresbyterianchurchofnashville](https://youtube.com/firstpresbyterianchurchofnashville).

### Sunday Morning for Families

On Sunday mornings, children are welcome in worship alongside their families. **Nursery** care is available for ages 0–3 in the Nursery Wing from 8:15 a.m.–12:15 p.m., with a Mother and Infant Quiet Room nearby. **Children ages 4–6** are invited, following the Blessing of the Young Disciples, to Young Children & Worship (Pickup in Room CW 110 after the service). **Older children** remain in worship, where activity bags are available at each Sanctuary entrance. At 9:45 a.m., children of all ages are invited to the Education Hour. Nursery through 3rd grade gather in the Children’s Ministry lobby for check-in and pickup. Preteens (4th–5th grade) check in outside Room CC 131, while 6th graders in Confirmation gather outside Room E201 in the Oak Hill C-Wing.

**Annual Meeting | Today | 9:45 a.m. | Courtenay Hall** — Due to the recent ice storm, our Annual Congregational Meeting has been rescheduled and will now take place today during the education hour. Join us for breakfast as we share important updates, conduct church business, and give thanks for God's faithfulness in 2025, while also looking ahead to what's next in the life of our church. All members are encouraged to attend and be part of this growing rhythm in our congregational life. Last year's return to a shared breakfast alongside the meeting was a meaningful time of connection, and we look forward to gathering.

**Broadway Revue: All for Love | Today | 3:00 p.m. | Sanctuary** — The FPC Sanctuary Choir presents its 2026 Broadway Revue in a concert-style performance. Directed by Dr. Raphael Bundage with Stephen Carey on piano, the choir and soloists will sing Broadway classics old and new. Guest hosts Alex Apple and George Armistead will narrate the afternoon, with special guests the Montgomery Bell Academy Head of School Singers, directed by Matt Smyth. This event is free and open to all.

**Youth and First Friends Bingo Night | Today | 6:00 p.m. | Gathering Place** — Bingo, Singo, and all the fun in between! FPC Nashville Youth is teaming up with First Friends for a lively intergenerational Bingo Night. Get ready for a night of connection and fun you won't want to miss!

**Oak Hill School Spring Consignment Sale** — The Oak Hill School Consignment Sale is just around the corner! Held twice a year, this beloved community event offers a wide selection of gently-used children's clothing, toys, books, baby gear, and more — all at great prices. The public sale takes place Wednesday, Feb. 25 (10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.) and Thursday, Feb. 26 (9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.), with a half-price sale on Friday, Feb. 27 (10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.) and Saturday, Feb. 28 (8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.).

**Lenten Vesper Service | Wednesdays | Feb. 25 – Mar. 25 | 6:30 p.m.** — Join us on Wednesday nights at 6:30 p.m. as we journey through Lent, remembering God's faithfulness and trustworthiness and remembering our great need. Worship in Stanford Chapel with candlelight, beautiful music, meaningful meditations, and the Lord's Supper. Sarah Fala will preach in our first service on Feb. 25.

**Mahjong Open Play begins Feb. 25** — We're excited to offer Mahjong as a fun way to build intergenerational community at our church. This is not a competitive league, but a welcoming space to connect through a game many already enjoy and others are eager to learn. Bring your tiles if you have them and sit with varying play abilities. Daytime open play sessions for all levels will be held 12:30–2:30 p.m. on Feb. 25, Mar. 11, 25, Apr. 8 and 22 in the Cheek House. Registration is requested to ensure enough tables and coaches are available. Sign up at [fpcnashville.org/mahjong](http://fpcnashville.org/mahjong).

**Manna Freezer Needs Restocking** — Due to the recent storm, all food in the Manna Freezer was lost. The Manna Freezer is part of our Congregational Care ministry, providing meals and treats to church members being visited by a pastor or Care Team member—often those recovering at home or living in assisted care. If you're able to help replenish it, please follow these guidelines: main dishes that serve 2–3; small loaves of quick bread; and about four cookies per container or bag. Use freezer-safe containers or baggies, place items in the Manna Freezer, and sign and date the sheet on the front of the refrigerator. The Manna Freezer is located off Courtenay Hall through the double doors near the kitchen. Thank you!

**Jamaica Mission Trip Presentation | Sunday, Mar. 1 | 10:00 a.m. | Courtenay Hall** — The Jamaica Mission team will be giving a presentation during the Sunday School hour in Courtenay Hall recapping the trip. All are invited to attend to learn more about the recent Jamaica Missions trip and its impact.

**New Baby Reception | Sunday, Mar. 8 | 4:00 p.m.** — This is a special gathering for families in our church who have welcomed a new baby! This reception is designed for parents and their little ones to meet other families, make new connections, and build bonds within our church community. We'll enjoy meaningful moments of fellowship, uplifting music, and a time of prayer for your family and your child. We look forward to celebrating this exciting season with you and your little one! Questions? Contact Rev. Mallory Hammond at [mhammond@fpcnashville.org](mailto:mhammond@fpcnashville.org). Register online at [fpcnashville.org/new-baby](http://fpcnashville.org/new-baby).

**Interested in getting more connected?** — Whether you're a guest or a longtime member, fill out the Connect Card to get more involved, update your contact information, or sign up for church communications. Drop your completed Connect Card in the offering plate so we can follow up! For information about becoming a church member or attending an Inquirers Class, contact Membership and Connections Coordinator, Julia Wilk ([jwilk@fpcnashville.org](mailto:jwilk@fpcnashville.org)).

### FIRST FRIENDS

*Gatherings for adults, retired and not-so-retired! Register online or contact Sally Ostheimer ([sostheimer@fpcnashville.org](mailto:sostheimer@fpcnashville.org)). For more information, visit [fpcnashville.org/first-friends](http://fpcnashville.org/first-friends).*

**Day Trip: Chattanooga Medal of Honor Heritage Museum Thursday, Mar. 26 | 7:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.** — Join us for a day in Chattanooga learning about Medal of Honor recipients. Lunch will be Dutch Treat at the Maple Street Biscuit Company. We will meet in the church parking lot in front of the administrative offices to load the bus at 7:30 a.m. Tickets are \$15, which includes snacks on the bus. Please pay in advance on the church website, or to Sally in person. For additional information contact Sally Ostheimer at 615-298-9551 or [sostheimer@fpcnashville.org](mailto:sostheimer@fpcnashville.org).



### WELCOME ELIZABETH SULLIVAN

Elizabeth Sullivan is excited to serve as the Mission Ministry Coordinator at First Presbyterian Church. In this role, she will support Adrian Taylor in leading and strengthening the church’s local and global mission partnerships, helping our congregation participate meaningfully in service both near and far.

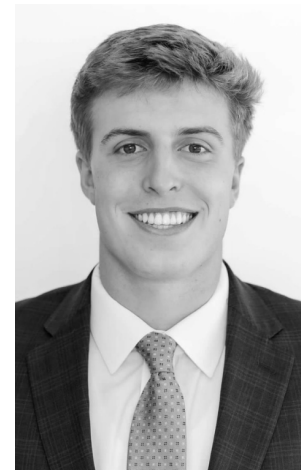
As a longtime member of First Presbyterian Church, she and her husband, Temp, have raised their three children—Kate, Hugh, and Mary Virginia—within this church family. Over the years, she has faithfully volunteered in the children and youth ministries while watching her children grow in faith and service. The youth mission trips to New Orleans, Oklahoma, and West Virginia deeply shaped her family’s convictions, empathy, and servant-heartedness, and her husband has participated in the Jamaica mission trip for more than a decade. She shares that the impact of these experiences on her family has been immeasurable, and is grateful for the opportunity to serve more fully. She looks forward to being part of the meaningful impact our church family continues to make in local and global missions.

### WELCOME COLESON MESSER

It’s our joy to introduce you to a new face you may have seen around FPC this spring. We are grateful to welcome Coleson Messer as a Church Ministry Intern this semester, as he will be with us through mid-April. If you remember, FPC’s Dan Gaw completed this internship last year and put in a good word for Coleson to serve with us. We are excited for you all to get to know him.

Coleson grew up in Dallas, Texas, and is a junior student-athlete at Vanderbilt University. He is a proud member of the Vanderbilt Men’s Basketball team. He brings great energy to every game from the bench alongside his teammates. His degree program at Vanderbilt allows him to complete a semester-long internship, and he is excited to spend it here at FPC.

Outside of basketball, Coleson enjoys playing guitar, going on hikes, playing all kinds of sports (especially pickleball), and building Star Wars LEGO sets. A fun fact about him: he has tried every single option on the Chick-fil-A menu. We’re thankful he’ll be representing the love of Christ to our students throughout this semester.



### GENERAL FUND GIVING SUMMARY

YTD AT **JAN. 31, 2026**

**Actual \$388,103**

We are grateful for your faithful giving and your commitment to the life of our congregation. Your generosity sustains the ministries we share and strengthens our work in the community. Above is this month’s financial summary.

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