



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
Church of Nashville

SECOND SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST

June 7, 2026

8:30 & 11:00 a.m.



To know Christ, to make Him known and to exhibit His love through worship, education and service.

WORDS OF PREPARATION

The Book of Psalms instructs us in the use of wings as well as words. It sets us both mounting and singing.

—Charles Spurgeon

ORDER OF WORSHIP

VOLUNTARY

Cantilene
Malcolm Archer

WELCOME

INTROIT

O Lord, Open Thou Our Lips
Richard Webster

O Lord, open thou our lips,
And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

*CALL TO WORSHIP | Based on Psalm 92

Adrian Taylor (8:30)
Rev. Mallory Hammond (11:00)

Leader: The righteous flourish like the palm tree and grow like the cedars of Lebanon.

All: Planted in the house of the Lord, they bear fruit in every season.

Leader: It is good and right to give thanks to the Lord and sing praise to God's name.

All: We gather with joy today to worship our great God and King.

*OPENING HYMN 263

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!
CORONATION

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

Dr. John Musgrave (8:30)
Dr. Sandra Randleman (11:00)

FIRST LESSON | Matthew 7:24-29 (page 812)

Elizabeth Walker (8:30)
Beth Kirkland (11:00)

²⁴ “Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock. ²⁵ And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock. ²⁶ And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not do them will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand. ²⁷ And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell, and great was the fall of it.” ²⁸ And when Jesus finished these sayings, the crowds were astonished at his teaching, ²⁹ for he was teaching them as one who had authority, and not as their scribes.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

CALL TO CONFESSION

Dr. Darren Kennedy (8:30)
Rev. Sara Hill (11:00)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, in your gracious presence we confess our sin, and the sin of our church. Although Christ is among us as our peace, we are a people divided against ourselves, as we cling to the values of a broken world. The fears and jealousies that we harbor set Christian against Christian. We abuse your good gifts of imagination and freedom, of intellect and reason, and have turned them into bonds of oppression. Lord, have mercy upon us; heal and forgive us. Set us free to serve you in the world as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ. Amen.

A moment for silent confession.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*RESPONSE OF GRATITUDE

To God Be the Glory
TO GOD BE THE GLORY

**To God be the glory; great things he has done!
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,
who yielded his life an atonement for sin,
and opened the life-gate that all may go in.**

Refrain:

***Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory: great things he has done!***

**Great things he has taught us; great things he has done,
and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
but purer and higher and greater will be
our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see. *Refrain***

*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

Dr. Ryan Moore

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

PRESENTATION OF CHILD (8:30)

John Robley and Madeline Hampf Caldwell are presenting their children, Crawford Rhodes Caldwell, Hayes Robley Caldwell, and Emilia Parker Caldwell for baptism.

Assisting Elder: Hugh Tanner

PRESENTATION OF CHILD (11:00)

Emory and Nathan Erwin are presenting their daughter, Ruby Hopson Erwin, for baptism. Kacy and Cale Schmit are presenting their son, Robert Anthony Schmit, for baptism.

Assisting Elder: Tom Stumb

BAPTISMAL QUESTIONS

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

THE BAPTISM

‡ 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

Child of Blessing, Child of Promise
STUTTGART



1 Child of bles - sing, child of pro - mise, bap - tized with the Spi - rit's sign,
2 Child of love, our love's ex - pres - sion, love's cre - a - tion, love in - deed!
3 Child of joy, our dear - est trea - sure, God's you are, from God you came.
4 Child of God, your lov - ing Par - ent, learn to lis - ten for God's call.



with this wat - er God has sealed you un - to love and grace di - vine.
Fresh from God, re - fresh our spi - rits; in - to joy and laugh - ter lead.
Back to God we hum - bly give you: live as one who bears Christ's name.
Grow to laugh and sing and wor - ship; trust and love God more than all.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING | Psalm 1 (page 448)

¹ Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers; ² but his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law he meditates day and night. ³ He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither. In all that he does, he prospers. ⁴ The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away. ⁵ Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous; ⁶ for the LORD knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Deep Roots and Lasting Fruit

Rev. Gage Arnold

He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither.—Psalm 1:3

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

OFFERTORY

My God, My Portion and My Love
Mack Wilburg

My God, my Portion, and my Love, my everlasting all, I've none but thee in heav'n above, or on this earthly ball. What empty things are all the skies, and this inferior clod! There's nothing here deserves my joys, there's nothing like my God. In vain the bright, the burning sun, scatters his feeble light; 'tis thy sweet beams create my noon; if thou withdraw, 'tis night. Let all that dwell above the sky, and air, and earth, and seas, conspire to lift they glories high and speak thine endless praise. Creation join in one, to bless the sacred name, that sits upon the throne, and to adore the Lamb!

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 353

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less
SOLID ROCK

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE

The Lord Bless You and Keep You
Peter Lutkin

*CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Trumpet Tune in A
Michael McCabe

** Those who are able, please stand.*

SYMPATHIES

We extend our condolences to the family and friends of
Bruce Wuille Claycombe, who died February 17.

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PARTICIPANTS IN THE SERVICE

Ryan Moore, PhD – *Pastor*
Gage Arnold, MDiv – *Associate Pastor to Youth and Their Families*
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*
Adrian Taylor, MDiv – *Director of Missions Ministry*
Raphael Bundage, DMA – *Director of Music*
Rhonda Swanson, MM – *Assistant Organist*
Acolytes – Lauren Pitman, Ryan Pitman, Georgia Moore, Jonah Moore

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Flowers in the chancel are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Emily P. and W. Robert Pugh and Kathleen D. ‘Sister’ Pugh.

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, 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://www.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.

GENERAL FUND GIVING SUMMARY

YTD AT **APRIL 30, 2026**

Actual \$1,885,464

Budget \$1,775,154

Variance \$110,310

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.

Prayer Requests and Prayer Team — First Presbyterian Church is renewing the ministry of the Email Prayer Team. Members of the Prayer Team receive immediate prayer concerns by email and are asked to pray faithfully for those needs. If you have an immediate prayer concern for yourself or for someone who has given permission for the request to be shared with the Prayer Team, please contact Pastor Sandra Randleman at srandleman@fpcnashville.org.

All-Church Retreat | August 1-2 | NaCoMe Retreat Center — Join us for the NaCoMe All-Church Retreat, a weekend of fellowship, fun, and growth in faith and community at NaCoMe Camp & Retreat Center. Enjoy outdoor activities like swimming, archery, and boating, plus a talent show, campfire s'mores, and worship together. Families stay in separate bunk rooms with private bathrooms. Cost varies based on age and length of stay, with options for the full weekend or Saturday only. Register by July 23 at fpcnashville.org/NaCoMe.

Psalms Summer COBs | Various Times and Locations — This summer, we'll be exploring the Psalms alongside the church's summer sermon series through relaxed, discussion-based gatherings focused on understanding the text, connecting it to everyday life, and learning how the Psalms teach us to pray. The format is intentionally flexible for summer schedules—come when you can, connect with community, and deepen your walk with the Lord. COBs meet at various times throughout the summer in homes around town. Register at fpcnashville.org/cob.

College Summer COB | Mondays, June 8, 15, 22 and July 6, 13, 20, 27 | 6:30–7:30 p.m. | Elrod Home — Home for the summer? Join other college students and young adults for a relaxed weekly Bible study through the Psalms. Each week connects with the Sunday sermon series and is designed to be discussion-based, accessible, and easy to jump into—even if you miss a week or two. For more information, contact Ben Elrod at ben_elrod@yahoo.com.

Nashville Fellows Host-Home Interest Meeting | June 21 or July 19 | 10:00-10:30 a.m. | Courtenay Hall — Join us for an informational gathering to learn more about becoming a host home for the Nashville Fellows Program. Whether you're simply curious or seriously considering hosting, we'd love for you to join us.

Columbarium Niches Available | Price Increase Effective September 1 — On September 1, the price of niches will increase from \$3,000 to \$3,500. If you have been considering your long-term plans, now is an ideal time to secure a niche at the current price. To purchase a niche prior to the increase or to inquire about availability, please contact Charlotte Schierbaum at cschierbaum@fpcnashville.org or 615-298-9527.

MISSIONS

For more information about mission opportunities, contact Adrian Taylor at ataylor@fpcnashville.org or visit fpcnashville.org/missions.

Nueva Vida | Tuesday, June 9 | 4:30-7:30 p.m. — Looking for a meaningful way to serve? Help pack and distribute food to our neighbors in need through the Nueva Vida Food Project. Whether you're sorting items, stocking shelves, or offering a warm smile, your time makes a real impact.

Father and Son Service Opportunity at Matthew 25 | Sunday, June 21 | 4:30-6:30 p.m. — This Father's Day, fathers and sons (and anyone else!) are invited to serve a meal at a Christ-centered residential facility for men recovering from poverty, addiction, and homelessness. Come spend this Sunday evening in service and fellowship. Older children welcome if accompanied by a parent. Register online.

Blood Drive | July 15 | 11:00 a.m.-5:00p.m. | Courtenay Hall — Someone in the US needs blood every two seconds due to an accident, disaster, or illness. Roll up your sleeves to help save lives in your community by giving the gift of life by donating blood at our next blood drive. Sign up online or in-person in Courtenay Hall on July 12 between services. Contact Adrian Taylor for more information.

FIRST FRIENDS

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

Day Trip to Mammoth Cave and Bluegrass Winery | June 11 7:30 a.m. –5:00 p.m. — Ever wanted to explore a cave? Join First Friends on Thursday, June 11, for a day trip to the Mammoth Cave area near Bowling Green. We will depart from the church by bus at 7:30 a.m. and spend the morning touring portions of Mammoth Cave. Please note that the tour includes extensive walking and some steep areas. After the cave tour, we will head to Bluegrass Winery for a Dutch-treat light lunch and optional wine tasting flight before returning home around 5 p.m. Cave tour tickets are \$24 per person and must be paid in advance.

MEN'S

Men's Workouts | Fridays, June 12, 19, 26 | 6:00 a.m. | Track and Field — Dr. Darren Kennedy will gather with men on Friday mornings in June at 6:00 a.m. for a series of outdoor workouts at the track. These sessions will be designed for men and we will accommodate all levels of fitness. Whether you are looking for accountability, encouragement, or simply a consistent way to stay active alongside other men from the church, this summer series offers a strong start to the day.

Men's Summer Breakfast Speaker Series | Thursday, June 18 | 7:00–8:00 a.m. | Courtenay Hall — This summer we will gather monthly for a men's breakfast and speaker series. Dr. Adam Neder, Professor of Theology and Senior Fellow of Spiritual Formation at Belmont University, will present at the June gathering. Breakfast will be served as we spend time together in conversation and reflection to begin the day.

First Tuesday Men's Lunches with Darren | Tuesday, July 7 | 12:00 p.m. | Edleys 12 South — Join us for a relaxed lunch gathering on the first Tuesday of each month at locations around town. These lunches are open to anyone able to step away from work or daily routines to share a meal and enjoy conversation together. Darren will be present each month and looks forward to connecting with those who are able to attend.



DEEP SEA VBS 2026

Tuesday-Thursday, June 23-25 | 5:00–7:45 p.m.

Set sail for Deep Sea VBS and explore Bible stories, music, crafts, games, and skits that reveal deep love of God. Each evening begins at 5:00 p.m. with an optional family dinner, followed by the VBS program from 5:45 to 7:45 p.m. VBS serves children ages 4 through rising 4th grade. Register online at fpcnashville.org/vbs.

VBS Volunteers

VBS is a ministry for the whole church, and volunteers of all ages are essential to make it happen! Whether you'd like to help prep ahead of time, serve onsite, or be part of the VBS Prayer Team, we'd love to hear from you. Contact Katie Higgins (khiggins@fpcnashville.org). Volunteers can register online at fpcnashville.org/vbs.

MONDAYS IN JUNE

June 8, 15, 22

Intergenerational Women's Psalms Study | 9:30–11:00 a.m. | Jones Session Room — Women are invited to a 4-week COB to study alongside the summer sermon series on Psalms. We'll gather as a large group and then break into smaller discussion groups as we explore the structure, context, and application of the weekly Psalm.

Monday Fellowship Lunches | 11:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. | Courtenay Hall — All are invited to join us on Mondays in June for lunch in Courtenay Hall between 11:00 a.m. and noon. Stay after the Intergenerational COB, come early for Mahjong, or both!

Mahjong Open Play | 12:00–2:00 p.m.; 6:00–8:00 p.m. | Cheek House — We play a variety of cards including the official ones and the Marvelous Mahjong cards. Join us for either noon session or evening session. Bring your own set of tiles and cards if you have them.

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 8, 15, 22 | 9:30–11:00 a.m. | Intergenerational Psalms Women's COB

June 8, 15, 22 | 11:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. | Monday Fellowship Lunch

June 8, 15, 22 | 12:00–2:00 p.m. | Daytime Mahjong Open Play

June 8, 15, 22 | 6:00–8:00 p.m. | Evening Mahjong Open Play

June 21, July 19 | 10:00 a.m. | Nashville Fellows Host Home Interest Meetings

July 6 | 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. | PW Handiwork Drop-in

July 26 | 8:30 & 11:00 a.m. | Celebration of the Lord's Supper

August 1-2 | NaCoMe All Church Retreat

August 10 | 5:30 p.m. | Back to School Worship

August 30 | Kickoff Sunday

CHILDREN & FAMILIES

June 23–25 | 5:00–7:45 p.m. | VBS

August 16 | Confirmation Kickoff Ice Cream Social

MEN

June 12, 19, 26 | 6:00 a.m. | Men's Workouts | Track & Field

June 18, July 16, Aug. 13 | 7:00 a.m. | Men's Summer Breakfast

Speaker Series

July 7 | 12:00 p.m. | First Tuesday Men's Lunch: Edleys 12 South

FIRST FRIENDS

June 11 | Day Trip to Mammoth Cave and Bluegrass Winery

June 16, July 21 | 2:30 p.m. | Book Club

MISSIONS

June 9 | 4:30–7:30 p.m. | Nueva Vida Service Project

June 21 | 4:30–6:30 p.m. | Matthew 25 Meal

July 15 | 11:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m. | Blood Drive

August 16 | 4:30–6:30 p.m. | Matthew 25 Meal

Second Tuesdays | 4:30–7:30 p.m. | Nueva Vida Service Project

Nov. 7–13 | Dominican Republic Medical Mission Trip

RECREATION

Wednesdays | 5:30–8:00 p.m. | Pickleball

June 1–19 | Fall Soccer Early Registration

June 7, 14, 21, 28 | 2:30–4:30 p.m. | Pool Fellowship & Open Swim

YOUTH

June 10 | 6:00–7:30 p.m. | Mega Slip & Slide

June 14–20 | High School Mission Trip to Davy, WV

July 1 | 10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. | Youth Float the Harpeth

July 13–16 | Middle School Mission Trip

July 24 | All Day | Dollywood

August 16 | 9:45 a.m. | Annual Youth Parent Meeting

August 23 | 4:00 p.m. | Crud Day