



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
Church of Nashville

THIRD SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST
June 14, 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

*Earth's crammed with heaven
And every common bush afire with God;
But only he who sees, takes off his shoes;
The rest sit around it and pluck blackberries.*

—Elizabeth Barrett Browning, *Aurora Leigh*: Book Seventh

ORDER OF WORSHIP

VOLUNTARY

Variations on 'Love of the Father'
George Dyson

WELCOME

MINUTE FOR MISSION | NaCoMe Retreat

Thomas Family

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

Dr. Sandra Randleman

Leader: People of God, worship the living God today! Remember that out of nothing God created the heavens and the earth. Remember that God raised Jesus from the powerlessness of death to the power of his right hand. Remember that not even the gates of hell can stand against God's purposes. Behold your God, who reigns now and forever!

All: Praise the LORD from the heavens; praise him in the heights!

Leader: Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his hosts!

All: Alleluia! The Lord's name be praised!

*OPENING HYMN

All Creatures of Our God and King
LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**All creatures of our God and King, Lift up your voice and with us sing
Alleluia, alleluia! Thou burning sun with golden beam,
Thou silver moon with softer gleam, O praise him, O praise him,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Thou rushing winds that art so strong, Ye clouds that sail in Heav'n along,
O praise him, alleluia! Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice,
Ye lights of evening, find a voice. O praise him, O praise him,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**And all ye saints of tender heart, Forgiving others, take your part,
O sing ye, alleluia! Ye who long pain and sorrow bear,
Praise God and on him cast your care: O praise him, O praise him,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Let all things their Creator bless, And worship him in humbleness,
O praise him, alleluia! Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
And praise the Spirit, Three in One: O praise him, O praise him,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

Rev. Mallory Hammond (8:30)
Rev. Sara Hill (11:00)

FIRST LESSON | 1 Corinthians 15:20-28 (page 961)

Joe Sernett (8:30)
Emily Eberle (11:00)

²⁰ But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. ²¹ For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. ²² For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. ²³ But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. ²⁴ Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. ²⁵ For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. ²⁶ The last enemy to be destroyed is death. ²⁷ For “God has put all things in subjection under his feet.” But when it says, “all things are put in subjection,” it is plain that he is excepted who put all things in subjection under him. ²⁸ When all things are subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to him who put all things in subjection under him, that God may be all in all.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

The Majesty and Glory of Your Name
Tom Fettke, Linda Lee Johnson

When I gaze into the night skies and see the work of thy fingers, the moon and stars suspended in space. What is man that you are mindful of him? You have given man the crown of glory and honor and have made him a little lower than the angels. You have put him in charge of all creation. The beast of the field, birds of the air, the fish of the sea, but what is man that you are mindful of him? O Lord, our God, the majesty and glory of your name transcends the earth and fills the heaven. O Lord, our God, little children praise you perfectly, and so would we. Alleluia.

CALL TO CONFESSION

Dr. Darren Kennedy

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, who sets suns and moons above us, mountain and valleys beneath us: how often have we tried to hide from your presence, how seldom have we looked for you. Lord, have mercy upon us. Gracious God, who took upon yourself flesh in human form made the ultimate disclosure of yourself in the face of Jesus Christ: how often we have forgotten you, how seldom have we really loved and followed you! Christ, have mercy upon us. Wondrous God, who pours out freely the Holy Spirit; how often have we ignored your promptings, how seldom have we asked for your help or accepted your gifts! Lord, have mercy upon us...

A moment for silent confession.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*RESPONSE OF GRATITUDE

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

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (11:00)

PRESENTATION OF CHILD

Steve and Kara Townsend are presenting their children, Charlotte Wallace Townsend, Jane Catherine Townsend, and Lily Margaret Townsend, for baptism.

Assisting Elder: Cathryn Rolfe

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 25

O Lord, Our God, How Excellent
WINCHESTER OLD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING | Psalm 8 (page 450)

¹ O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens. ² Out of the mouth of babies and infants, you have established strength because of your foes, to still the enemy and the avenger. ³ When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, ⁴ what is man that you are mindful of him, and the son of man that you care for him? ⁵ Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned him with glory and honor. ⁶ You have given him dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under his feet, ⁷ all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field, ⁸ the birds of the heavens, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes along the paths of the seas. ⁹ O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

The Majesty of God

Dr. Ryan Moore

...what is man that you are mindful of him... —Psalm 8:4

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

OFFERTORY

Oh Spirit All-Embracing
Richard Proulx

O Spirit all-embracing and counsel or all-wise, unbounded splendor gracing a shoreless sea of skies: unending is your treasure, unfading your reward; surpassing worldly pleasure, the riches you afford. Come, stream of endless flowing, and rescue us from death; come, wind of springtime blowing, and warm us by your breath. O beauty ever blazing in flower, field, and face, you show yourself amazing in unexpected place. We see you and remember what once our dreams had been; you fan the glowing ember and kindle hope within. Come, fire of glory gracious, bless all who trust in you; undying flame tenacious, burn in your Church anew. Come, passion's power holy, your insight here impart, and give your servants lowly an understanding heart to know more clearly when faith and love are tried, to seek you more sincerely when false ideals have died: for vision we implore you, for wisdom's pure delight; in prayer we come before you to wait upon your light.

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 625

O Lord My God
HOW GREAT THOU ART

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE

The Lord Bless You and Keep You
Peter Lutkin

*CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Paeon (Praise)
Michael McCabe

** Those who are able, please stand.*

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*
Sandra Randleman, DMin – *Parish Associate for Congregational Care*
Raphael Bundage, DMA – *Director of Music*
Rhonda Swanson, MM – *Assistant Organist*
Acolytes – Kasen Bede, Jay Ekiss

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Flowers in the chancel are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. John Fred Tarkington by Mrs. Ferrin T. Mavar.

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.

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.

Soccer Early Registration | Through June 19 — Early registration for this Fall Soccer season will be open through June 19 (early registration cost is \$170 for 4U and 5U, and \$195 for 6U, 8U, and 10U). Late registration will be open from June 20 until 4:00 p.m. on June 26 (late registration cost is \$270 for 4U and 5U, and \$295 for 6U, 8U, and 10U). After 4:00 p.m. on June 26 we will not accept any more registrations. Visit fpcnashville.org/soccer for more info or contact recreation@fpcnashville.org.

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.

Open Slots for Sunday Worship Flowers — The flowers in our sanctuary each Sunday are given by church members in memory of loved ones or in celebration of a milestone, birth, or anniversary, and the donor and loved ones are acknowledged in the Sunday bulletin. The cost of a flower dedication is \$350 for one arrangement. We have open Sundays through November. If you would like to provide flowers for a Sunday worship service, visit fpcnashville.org/flowers.

Pickleball | Thursdays through Oct. 29 (except July 2, Aug. 20, 27, and Sept. 17) — We warm up at 5:00 p.m. in Enrichment Center (near the track) and play until 6:30 p.m. We have two courts to play on, and provide paddles and balls for all participating. For additional information, contact the Recreation Department at 615-298-9506.

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 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.

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 U.S. 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.

Medical Mission Trip to the Dominican Republic | Nov. 7-13 | Registration due Aug. 1 — Join FPC for a medical mission trip to the Dominican Republic from Nov. 7-13. Both medical and non-medical participants are needed and welcome. Physicians will assist with surgeries in a local hospital, while non-medical volunteers will serve alongside medical teams in local villages by helping with health checks and distributing common medications. For more information or to apply, contact Jeff King or Adrian Taylor at ataylor@fpcnashville.org for more details.

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.

Book Club: *I Know Why The Caged Bird Sings* | June 16 | 2:30 p.m. — Join us this month for a discussion of the classic memoir *I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings* by Maya Angelou. This powerful and enduring work follows Angelou's journey from childhood to young adulthood as she navigates the challenges of racism, identity, resilience, and self-discovery in the American South. Our book club welcomes readers of all kinds for engaging discussions of fiction, memoirs, and biographies. Book suggestions are always welcome, and Zoom participation is available.

MEN'S

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.

Men's Workouts | Fridays, June 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.

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.

Tuesday Men's Bible Study | Tuesdays | 7:00-8:00 a.m. | Vance Hall — Our Tuesday men's Bible study has been a cherished tradition for decades — a place where friendships grow, faith deepens, and meaningful conversation happens over a good cup of coffee. Led by Dr. Sandra Randlemn, the group is currently studying 1 Samuel. Whether you've been with us for years or are just curious to see what it's all about, you're invited to join anytime. Coffee is ready at 7:00 a.m., and we meet from 7:15 to 8:00 a.m. in Vance Hall. No registration needed. Questions? Contact Sandra Randleman at srandleman@fpcnashville.org.

GENERAL FUND GIVING SUMMARY

YTD AT MAY 31, 2026

Actual \$2,240,360

Budget \$2,066,964

Variance \$173,397

We are especially thankful to report that summer giving has remained strong and is currently ahead of budget. During a season when giving often slows, your continued generosity provides stability and momentum for ministry. Thank you for your faithfulness, your support, and your investment in the mission of our church.



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

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

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

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

MISSIONS

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

YOUTH

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

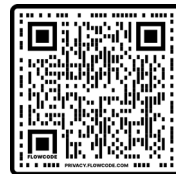
July 1 | 10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. | Youth Float the Harpeth

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



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