



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
Church of Nashville

FOURTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST

June 21, 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

My weight is my love. Wherever I am carried, my love is carrying me.

—Augustine, *Confessions*

ORDER OF WORSHIP

VOLUNTARY

Variations on Toulon from *Genevan Psalter*
Christa Rakich

WELCOME

Rev. Mallory Hammond

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. Ryan Moore

Leader: Come, bless the Lord, in whom we find our refuge and safety.

All: You are our God; all good things come from you alone.

Leader: Come, bless the Lord, who gives us a beautiful inheritance and surrounds us with abundance.

All: You are our God; our lives are in your hands.

Leader: Come, bless the Lord, who guides us on the path to eternal life and whose presence strengthens and sustains us.

All: You are our God; we will not be shaken. Let's worship God together!

*OPENING HYMN 265

Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun
DUKE STREET

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

Adrian Taylor

FIRST LESSON | Philippians 4:10-13 (page 982)

Hannah Apple (8:30)
Grace Smith (11:00)

¹⁰ I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at length you have revived your concern for me. You were indeed concerned for me, but you had no opportunity. ¹¹ Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned, in whatever situation I am, to be content. ¹² I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. ¹³ I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

CALL TO CONFESSION

Dr. Sandra Randleman

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

There are many times we think we love you well, O God. But upon hearing your call to love you with all our heart, and all our mind, and all our strength, we confess that our love for you is a diluted love, made insipid and flat by lesser loyalties and a divided heart. Our love seems pure only for brief moments; soon our affections are drawn away. How easily our devotion dies. Forgive us; in deep mercy spare us, despite our lost first love for you; in grace rekindle our love for you in seeing anew Jesus' love for 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

PRESENTATION OF CHILD (8:30)

Elizabeth and Collier Townsend are presenting their daughter, Emma Claire Townsend, for baptism.
Assisting Elder: Bill Akin

PRESENTATION OF CHILD (11:00)

Caitlin and William Brackin are presenting their daughters, Sally Elizabeth Brackin and Anne Charlotte Brackin, for baptism.
Assisting Elder: Denise Bellardo

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 810

When in the Night I Meditate
ST. FLAVIAN

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING | Psalm 16 (NRSV)

¹ Protect me, O God, for in you I take refuge. ² I say to the LORD, “You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you.” ³ As for the holy ones in the land, they are the noble ones in whom is all my delight. ⁴ Those who choose another god multiply their sorrows; their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out or take their names upon my lips. ⁵ The LORD is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot. ⁶ The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; I have a goodly heritage. ⁷ I bless the LORD, who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me. ⁸ I keep the LORD always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved. ⁹ Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices; my body also rests secure. ¹⁰ For you do not give me up to Sheol or let your faithful one see the Pit. ¹¹ You show me the path of life. In your presence there is fullness of joy; in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Life, Joy, and Pleasure Forevermore

Dr. Darren Kennedy

The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places... —Psalm 16:6

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

OFFERTORY

Zion's Walls
Aaron Copland | arr. Glenn Koponen

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

Rev. Gage Arnold

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 840

It Is Well with My Soul
VILLE DU HAVRE

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing
RICHMOND

The name of Jesus charms our fears, and bids our sorrows cease, sings music in the sinner's ears, brings life and health and peace.

*CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Psalm 19
Benedetto Marcello

** Those who are able, please stand.*

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*
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 – Kasen Bede, Jackson Harr, Gabe Shapiro

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Flowers in the Chancel are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton Frost and Douglas E. Phillips by Hamilton and Vickie Frost and Emmy Frost Phillips.

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.

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.

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.

Water Aerobics | July 2, 9, 23, 30 | 11:00 a.m. — This summer, we are offering Water Aerobics at the FPC pool! Build strength and improve cardiovascular health with this gentle workout. Please arrive early to allow yourself time to get dressed and ready. Cost is \$5 per person, payable in cash on the date of the class. Equipment will be provided. Max capacity of 10 people. To register, contact Jen Kutzner at jkutzner@fpcnashville.org.

Pool Fellowship & Open Swim | Sundays | June 21, 28, July 12, 19, 26 | 2:30-4:30 p.m. | Don Wade Memorial Pool — The FPC pool will be open on several Sunday afternoons so that our church family can make memories together and cool off during these hot summer days. There will not be a lifeguard on duty, but a pool attendant will be present to ensure easy access to the pool. The pool has limited seating, so bring a lawn chair and all your usual swim gear. All are welcome to join us for swimming and fellowship! In the event of inclement weather, the pool will be closed.

Pickleball | Thursdays through Oct. 29 (except July 2, Aug. 20, 27, Sept. 17) | 5:00-6:30 p.m. — We warm up at 5:00 p.m. in the 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.

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 22, 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 | Today 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.

Intergenerational Women’s Psalms Study | Monday, June 22 | 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 | Monday, June 22 | 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 | Monday, June 22 | 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.

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 | Today | 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.

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.

MEN’S

Men’s Workouts | Fridays | 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 Lunch with Darren | July 7 | 12:00 p.m. | Edley’s 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.

Men’s Summer Breakfast Speaker Series | Thursday, July 16 | 7:00–8:00 a.m. | Courtenay Hall — This summer we will gather monthly for a men’s breakfast and speaker series. Lonnie Stout will present at the July gathering. Breakfast will be served as we spend time together in conversation and reflection to begin the day.

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.

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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.



ALL-CHURCH RETREAT

August 1-2

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.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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

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

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

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

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

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 26 | 6:00 a.m. | Men's Workouts | Track & Field

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

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

FIRST FRIENDS

July 21 | 2:30 p.m. | Book Club

MISSIONS

Today | 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

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

June 20–26 | Fall Soccer Early Registration

July 2, 9, 23, 30 | 11:00 a.m. | Water Aerobics

Thursdays through Oct. 29 (Except July 2, Aug. 20, 27) | 5:30–8:00 p.m. | Pickleball

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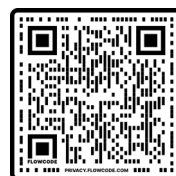
July 1 | 10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. | Youth Float the Harpeth

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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