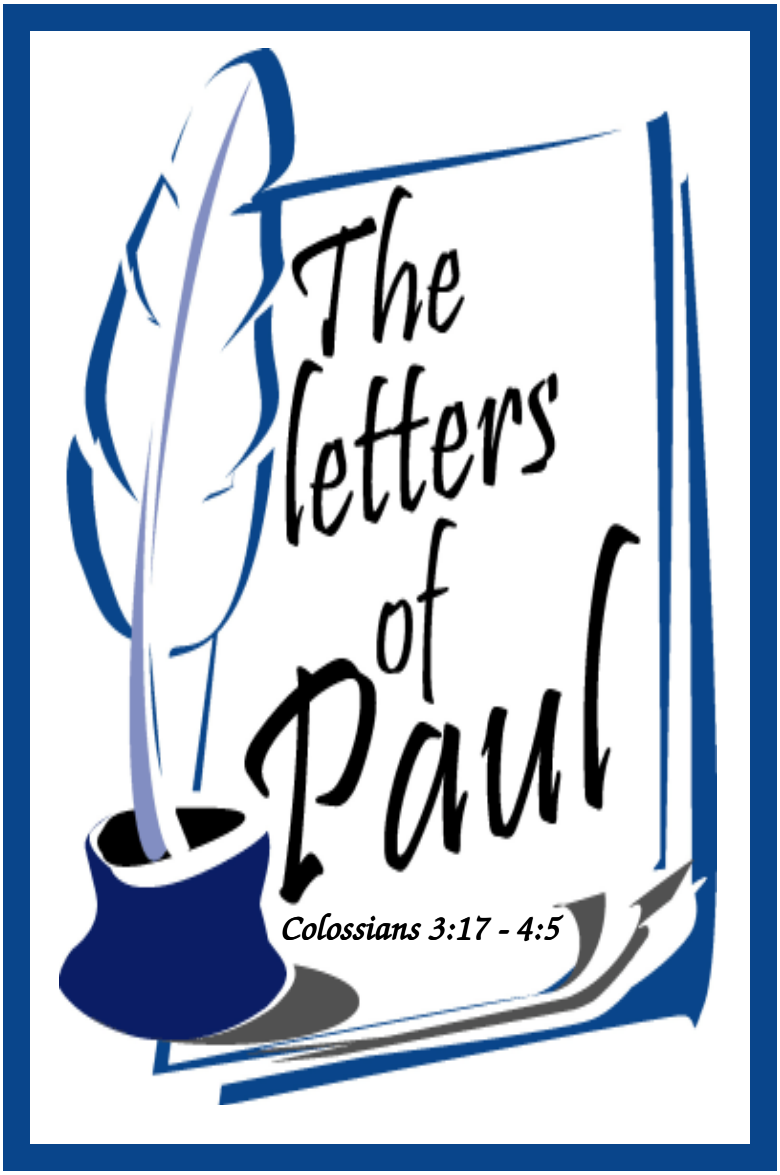

First Presbyterian Church
KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE
- Founded 1792 -

"For Christ in the Heart of Knoxville," the First Presbyterian Church seeks

- *to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ*
- *to nurture those within its influence*
- *to serve spiritual and human needs*

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A Word of Welcome

To all who are weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are idle and look for service; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to whosoever will come; this church opens wide her doors and offers her welcome in the name of Jesus Christ her Lord.

ORDER OF WORSHIP
TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

11:00 a.m. **August 22, 2010**

✣THE PREPARATION OF GOD'S PEOPLE✣

PRELUDE *Terra Beata* Michael Burkhardt
(Three Miniatures)

...the Lord is in his holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before him!
Habakkuk 2:20

Worship begins with the Prelude. As we reverently enter the pews, please use this time for quiet reflection and prayer, so that we, individually and as a great crowd of witnesses, may prepare ourselves to reaffirm our devotion to Him who is the author and finisher of our faith.

CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather for worship as those who echo the faithful expression of the Psalms.
In the words of Psalms 23, 27, and 121:
We remember the Lord is our shepherd, the Lord is our light and salvation, and the Lord is our keeper in our going out and coming in.
In the words of Psalms 42 and 103:
Our souls long for God much like the way our bodies both need and crave water. Indeed, all that is within us is called to bless the Lord
In the words of Psalms 90 and 46
We know that God has been our dwelling place in all generations, our refuge and strength in times of turmoil and storm,
In the words of Psalms 100 and 150,
We will make a joyful noise to Lord, giving praise with our voices and instruments.

Praise the Lord!
The Lord's name be praised!

†PROCESSIONAL HYMN 473 *For the Beauty of the Earth* Dix

†PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(All)*

God of the future, God of the now, God of all that has been: We confess that we have not looked for your kingdom among us; for we live casual lives, ignoring your promised judgment. We skip over the pain and poverty of others. We no longer cry out for justice for those most deprived. We have been satisfied to be entertained and to be amused. In your mercy, forgive us. Grant us wisdom to welcome your way, and then to seek things that will endure, to practice the generosity we find in you, and to trust in your good will in all that is before us. In the name of Christ, we pray. (*Silent personal confession*)

MUSICAL RESPONSE *(All)* 565 *Kyrie* Weaver
Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

†ASSURANCE OF PARDON

♦†CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *(All)* 579 *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.

†PASSING OF THE PEACE

Since God has forgiven us, we are free to forgive each other. Therefore members of the congregation are invited to turn to each other, saying: "The peace of Christ be with you", responding with "And also with you."

✣THE PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD✣

SPECIAL TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

◆† *(three-year-olds through first graders may leave for Children's Church.)*

PSALTER — *Psalm 122 - Plainsong* — Tone I.2

Men of the Chancel Choir

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON — Colossians 3:17-4:5

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord. (Pew Bible, NT Page 201)

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON — *Walking with Paul: Colossians (Part 6)* — The Rev. Dr. Paul Rader

✣THE RESPONSE OF GOD'S PEOPLE✣

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *(All)* — from *A Declaration of Faith*

God sends the church into the world. God has not taken his people out of the world, but has sent them into the world to worship him there and serve all humankind. We worship God in the world by standing before the Lord in behalf of all people. Our cries for help and our songs of praise are never for ourselves alone. Worship is no retreat from the world; it is part of our mission. We serve humankind by discerning what God is doing in the world and joining him in his work. We risk disagreement and error when we try to say what God is doing here and now. But we find guidance in God's deeds in the past and his promises for the future, as they are witnessed to in Scripture. We affirm that the Lord is at work, especially in events and movements that free people by the gospel and advance justice, compassion and peace.

†HYMN OF RESPONSE 372 — *Lord, I Want to Be a Christian* — African American spiritual

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY

MINUTE FOR MISSION REGARDING RALLY DAY — Mary Wilson

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

PASSING OF THE FRIENDSHIP BOOKS

RECEPTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM — *Gracious Spirit Dwell with Me* — K. Lee Scott

†DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

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.

†HYMN 339 — *Be Thou My Vision* — Slane

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

†CONGREGATIONAL AMEN 540 — *God Be with You Till We Meet Again* — Randolph

God be with you till we meet again; Loving counsels guide, uphold you,
With a Shepherd's care enfold you; God be with you till we meet again.

POSTLUDE — *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light* — Michael Burkhardt

†*Those who are able may stand* ◆*Ushers will seat those who are waiting*

NOTES ABOUT TODAY'S SERVICES

We welcome Stephanie Wayland, once again, as guest organist for worship this morning. Stephanie serves as organist for the Fountain City United Methodist Church.

The Friendship Book is passed each Sunday for guests and members to sign. Guests' names and addresses are used to acknowledge your presence and welcome you to worship. In expressing what it means to be a *family of faith,* the church appreciates your willingness to share this information with us!

THOSE WHO SERVE TODAY

Officer in Charge: Pat Chambers
Deacon of the Week: Susan Bolinger
Phone Monitor: Wallace McClure
Library Worker: Barbara Villadsen
Baker and Taker: Terri Ramsay
Nursery Workers: Becky Dwarshuis, Emily Smith and Erin Ahlstedt
Children's Church: Libby Fisher, Jennifer and Matt Manrod and Josh Wright

LEADERS IN WORSHIP

Dr. William C. Pender . . . . . Senior Pastor
Dr. Paul Rader . . . . . Associate Pastor
Mr. J. Ashley Burell . . . . . Organist/Choirmaster

Jehovah jireh (The Lord will provide)

The Hebrew words written across the chancel are taken from the twenty-second chapter of Genesis which tells the story of Abraham's willingness to sacrifice his son. The words were first handwritten on the chancel wall in 1866 by one of the church members working to restore the war-ravaged and much-abused buildings after they were returned to the congregation by the government.