

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN....

Join us on Wednesdays this summer for some fellowship and mission opportunities! No need to RSVP; just show up. We can't wait to enjoy some summer fun with you. See the calendar below for upcoming events. Contact Pastor Meredith Loftis for more details at meredith@fpcknox.org.

- **June 21 at 5:00 pm** - Lakeshore Park playground: Bring a picnic supper and camp chairs! Bring balls to play in field next to playground. 5930 Lyons View Pike, Knoxville, TN 37919
- **June 28 at 10:00 am** - Mission Project at FPC: Clean-up day in graveyard and around church building followed by sub sandwiches for lunch.
- **July 5 - none** - Happy Independence Day/Week!
- **July 12 at 5:00 pm** - Ijams Trails, Playscape, and Mead's Quarry: Bring a picnic supper, camp chairs, and swim suits or hiking boots!
- **July 19 at 4:00 pm** - Mission Project at FPC: Learn about the FISH pantry and help pack bags. Popsicles afterwards!
- **July 26 at 5:00 pm** - World's Fair Park: Bring a picnic supper and swim suits for the splash pad. Bring balls to play on the field and bikes, skates, etc.

Please join members of First Presbyterian at the **FREE "Caring and Coping Caregiver Workshop"** on Thursday, June 22, 2023 at the Rothchild Conference Center at 8807 Kingston Pike, Knoxville, TN 37923. This is a great opportunity for understanding the responsibilities of caregiving for degenerative diseases as well as in other situations. Dr. Roberto Fernandez-Romero, Director of the Pat Summitt Clinic, elder law attorneys and other individuals will lead us through the workshop. Check-In is at 8:30 am—Lunch 11:30 am—Ends 1:30 pm. This workshop is presented by Alzheimer's Tennessee.

If you are interested in participating, please contact Mary Wilson (mqwilson1@gmail.com or 865-680-2239.) Transportation can be provided or we can take the van from the church. For more information go to www.alzTennessee.org/Workshops or call 865-544-6288.

Our worship service and picnic will be at Lakeshore Park next Sunday, June 25, from 11 am until 1 pm. There will be no chapel service. Please see insert for details.

WELCOME

Welcome to First Presbyterian Church, Knoxville. We have been part of the downtown Knoxville community since 1792. We embrace people from all walks of life and seek to share our spiritual journey with our community. We are part of the Presbyterian Church (USA). We are delighted that you have joined us in worship today.

To learn more about us, please make a note on the Friendship Pad, sign up for our Thursday newsletter, or connect with us at fpcknox.org, via the QR code to the right, or through social media.



Hearing enhancement devices and large print hymnals are available for use during the service. Please ask an usher for assistance.

OFFERING

You may place your offering in the offering plates when they are passed, or you are invited to give securely online at www.fpcknox.org/donate or by scanning the QR code to the right with your smart phone.



STAFF AND LEADERS IN WORSHIP

The Rev. Mark R. Curtis Senior Pastor	Laura Harmon Church Administrator
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WORSHIP MUSIC NOTES

Prelude In Classic Style
I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light
I Rejoiced When I Heard Them Say
We All Are One in Mission

One License # 104589
One License # 123319
One License # 98231
One License # 00400

Will You Come and Follow Me
Go, My Children, with My Blessing
God of Grace

One License # 87129
One License # 04342
One License # 101512

FOR OUR YOUNGER WORSHIPPERS

All children are welcome in worship at FPC. Children, Kindergarten through 2nd Grade, are invited to attend Children's Worship in the Children's Area (2nd floor) after Special Time with Young Disciples. Worship Bags are available at each entrance to the sanctuary. A nursery is available for children, in preschool and younger, in the Nursery rooms (2nd floor).



First Presbyterian Church
FOR CHRIST IN THE HEART OF KNOXVILLE

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JUNE 18, 2023

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THE PREPARATION OF GOD'S PEOPLE

PRELUDE *Prelude In Classic Style* Gordon Young

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (from Teresa of Avila)

Christ has no body now but yours.
No hands, no feet on earth but yours.

**Ours are the eyes
through which He looks compassion on this world.
Ours are the feet with which He walks to do good.
Ours are the hands with which He blesses us all.**

Yours are the hands; yours are the feet; yours are the eyes;
**We are His body.
Let us worship God!**

***OPENING HYMN** *We All Are One in Mission* 733

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God of all the earth, forgive us. We too often satisfy ourselves with words and do little to live out those words with deeds. We call Christ "Lord," but do not let his love rule our lives. We call him "Light," but abide in darkness. We say he is the "Way," but do not follow him. Do not hold our doubts against us and be patient with our failures, O Lord. Have mercy upon us and forgive us as we turn to you for mercy and healing, through Jesus Christ our Lord...

(a moment for silent confession)

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***MUSICAL RESPONSE** *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light* 377

I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to follow Jesus. God set the stars to give light to the world. The star of my life is Jesus. In him there is no darkness at all. The night and the day are both alike. The Lamb is the light of the city of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

***MUSICAL RESPONSE** *I Rejoiced When I Heard Them Say* 400

For the peace of all nations, pray: for God's peace within your homes. May God's lasting peace surround us; may it dwell in Jerusalem. Shalom, shalom, the peace of God be here. Shalom, Shalom, God's justice be ever near.

THE PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON Exodus 19:2-8 Louis Becker

²They had journeyed from Rephidim, entered the wilderness of Sinai, and camped in the wilderness; Israel camped there in front of the mountain. ³Then Moses went up to God; the LORD called to him from the mountain, saying, "Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the Israelites: ⁴You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. ⁵Now therefore, if you obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession out of all the peoples. Indeed, the whole earth is mine, ⁶but you shall be for me a priestly kingdom and a holy nation. These are the words that you shall speak to the Israelites." ⁷So Moses came, summoned the elders of the people, and set before them all these words that the LORD had commanded him. ⁸The people all answered as one: "Everything that the LORD has spoken we will do."

ANTHEM *Hide Me Under the Shadow of Thy Wings* John Ebenezer West

*Hide me under the shadow of thy wings, O Lord,
and give thine angels charge concerning me:
that I may lie down in peace, and take my rest,
for it is thou, Lord, only, that makest me to dwell in safety.*

SPECIAL TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON Matthew 9:35-10:8

³⁵Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. ³⁶When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; ³⁸therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." ¹Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. ²These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; ³Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; ⁴Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him. ⁵These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, ⁶but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. ⁷As you go, proclaim the good news, 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.' ⁸Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons."

SERMON

"The Wanderers"

Rev. Mark R. Curtis

THE RESPONSE OF GOD'S PEOPLE

***HYMN OF RESPONSE** *Will You Come and Follow Me* 726

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER Rev. Dr. Meredith Loftis

**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.**

RECEPTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *Christ Be With Me* Noel Rawsthorne

*Christ be with me, Christ within me, Christ behind me, Christ before me,
Christ beside me, Christ to guide me, Christ to comfort and restore me.
Christ beneath me, Christ above me, Christ in quiet, Christ in danger,
Christ in hearts of all that love me, Christ in care of friend and stranger.*

***DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION** *Old Hundredth*

**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.**

***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.**

***CLOSING HYMN** *Go, My Children, with My Blessing* 547

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

***POSTLUDE** *God of Grace* Arr. Paul Manz

**Please stand if you are able.*

DON'T FORGET! A FAMILY FRIENDLY WORSHIP SERVICE WILL BE HELD AT 11 AAM AT LAKESHORE PARK ON JUNE 25TH!

All events at the church on June 25th are cancelled because of the USA Cycling Championships. **Please join us at the Marble Pavilion at Lakeshore Park, 6410 South Northshore Drive.**

To park: drive in the main entrance on Lyon's View Pike. Take the road all the way to the top of the hill, then back down the other side, past the baseball fields and the playground on the left side. Use the large parking lot on the left, just beyond the playground. Follow the path from the parking lot to the Pavilion.

Please bring your favorite lawn chair. If your last name begins with A-L, please bring a side to share; if your last name begins with M-Z, please bring a dessert to share.

The church will be providing fried chicken, water, tea, and lemonade, as well as personal utensils and plates. Please bring a serving spoon with your dish to share. Join us for lawn games and fun after the service!



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 Main Facilities/Areas of Interest
 Roads & Parking Areas
 Sports Fields
 Public Restroom
 City of Knoxville Buildings
 Jogging/Walking Trails
 Water

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