

# Welcome!

We are so thankful that you've joined us for worship today!

This bulletin is also available on our website, [fpccorinth.org](http://fpccorinth.org).

The following services are provided to make your worship with us as meaningful and comfortable as possible:

♦ **A Nursery is provided for infants and toddlers through age 3**, during Sunday School and the Worship Service. The nursery and toddler classrooms are located in the Education Wing by the playground, in rooms 1-4.

♦ **Children's Church, for ages 4 years - 5th grade**, is being held in the Fellowship Hall, located on the northeast corner of the campus.

♦ A wheelchair (access next to east entrance) and an oxygen tank are located in the large closet just off the narthex entrance and are available for anyone who has a need. Ushers will assist you.

A welcome/prayer card is available in each pew. We welcome your prayer requests, as these are brought before our Lord during our prayer time each Sunday, after the Worship Service, in our Chapel. You may use the card to tell us about yourself, and to invite our Pastor, Waring Porter, to pray for you, call you, pay you a visit, or all of the above!

We invite you to prayerfully consider making FPC your church home.

First Presbyterian Church is an Evangelical Presbyterian Church.

## The FPC Week

<b>Sunday</b>	9:00 A.M. Breakfast in Fellowship Hall 9:30 A.M. Sunday School 10:45 A.M. Morning Worship
<b>Monday</b>	7:00 A.M. 11th gr girls Bible study @ downstairs YH
<b>M-W-F</b>	9:00 A.M. Ladies Exercise Class - Fellowship Hall
<b>Tues/Thur.</b>	9:00 A.M.-2:30 P.M. FPC Day School
<b>Tuesday</b>	7:00 A.M. 5th/6th gr boys & girls Bible study @ KH 7:00 A.M. 8th gr boys Bible study @ Conference Room 7:00 A.M. 9th gr girls Bible study @ Parlor 7:00 A.M. 9th gr boys Bible study @ Gregg's Office 7:00 A.M. 12th gr boys Bible study @ YH 2:00 P.M. Knit for Kids @ Room 6 Education
<b>Wednesday</b>	5:30 A.M. Men's Prayer & Bible Study @ YH 7:00 A.M. 7th gr boys Bible study @ downstairs YH 7:00 A.M. 12th gr girls Bible study @ YH office 3:15-6:00 P.M. KidsQuest (Pre-K thru 6th gr) 3:30-4:30 P.M. Puppet Ministry Practice Kid's Library begins 8/28 grades 5th - 8th 5:30 P.M. Handbell Choir Practice 5:30-6:30 P.M. Jr. High Gathering @ YH 6:30-8:00 P.M. Sr. High Gathering @ YH 7:00 P.M. Choir Practice
<b>Thursday</b>	7:00 A.M. 10th gr girls Bible study @ downstairs YH 7:00 A.M. 10th gr boys Bible study @ Gregg's office 8:00 A.M. Weekly Gathering for Prayer - Sanctuary
<b>Friday</b>	7:00 A.M. 7th gr girls Bible study @ downstairs YH 7:00 A.M. 11th gr boys Bible study @ YH office

- ♦ 8th gr girls Bible study - the girls will be contacted for meeting day and time
- ♦ The church office is closed on Fridays

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## The Flowers

The flowers adorning the Sanctuary today are given by Joe and Cindy Vann.

*Worthy are You only, Oh Lord, to be praised, honored, worshipped and glorified!*

*He has showed you, O man, what is good.*

*And, what does the Lord require of you but to do justly,  
and to love kindness and mercy, and to humble yourself  
and walk humbly with your God."*

*Micah 6:8*

## The Church Calendar

September 2	Labor Day - Church Office Closed
September 8	Communion Sunday
September 8	Mt. LeConte Orientation Meeting 4:30 p.m.
September 8	Committee Night 5:30 p.m.
September 9	Session Meeting 5:30 p.m.
September 22	"The Feast" Potluck & Worship 5 p.m.
September 23-Oct 11	Corinth Schools Fall Break
October 7-11	Alcorn Co. Fall Break
October 9-12	7th Annual LeConte Lodge Hiking Trip
October 20	"The Feast" Potluck & Worship 5 p.m.
November 25-29	Alcorn Co. & Corinth Schools Thanksgiving Break
December 1	First Sunday of Advent
December 19-Jan 3	Alcorn Co. Christmas Break
December 23-Jan 6	Corinth Schools Christmas Break
December 24	Christmas Eve Candlelight/Communion Service
December 25	Christmas Day

## Those Who Serve Today

Assisting Elder:	Randy Long
Acolytes:	Pete Fisher & Pierce Albarracin
Greeter:	Tanner & Annalee Whitaker, Gregg Parker
Ushers:	Dave Shanklin, Peter Fisher, Cameron Crockett, JR Burns
Circle of Prayer:	Jenny Biggers, Jack Griffith, Janet Orman
Nursery/Toddler Rooms:	Anna Erwin, Lauren Butler, Morgan Williams
Tech Crew:	Russell Smith & Landon Thomas

## FPC Staff

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# First Presbyterian Church



to be disciples . . . to make disciples



## LITURGY FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

September 1, 2024

### PRAISE THE GOD OF GLORY

**The Piano Prelude** Jill Taylor

**Call to Meditation:** 1 Peter 5:6

“Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you.”

**The Prelude** Malechi Doren

**The Choral Introit:** “We Come to Praise”

(\*please stand)

**\*Call to Worship:** Psalm 96:1-4,7-9

**Leader:** Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth. Sing to the Lord, praise his name; proclaim his salvation day after day. Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples. For great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; Ascribe to the Lord, all you families of nations, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength. Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; bring an offering and come into his courts.

**All:** We worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness.

**\*The Hymn of Praise:** “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee” (vv.1,2,4) No. 1

**\*Responsive Reading:** 1 Peter 2:4-10

**Leader:** But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ.

**All:** For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility by abolishing the law of commandments expressed in ordinances,

**Leader:** That he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility. And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near.

**All:** For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father.

**Leader:** So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.

**\*Congregational Response:** “O Worship the King” (vv.1,4) No. 10

**\*Profession of Faith: The Apostles’ Creed** (may be found on the inside cover of the hymnal)

**\*Prayer of Invocation & The Lord’s Prayer** (may be found on the inside cover of the hymnal)

### PRAISE THE GOD OF GRACE

**Corporate Prayer of Confession:**

*Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our inadequate worship, and our offenses against you. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease you. Forgive our sins, and help us to live in your light and worship in spirit and in truth, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior.*

**Individual Prayers of Confession (silently)**

**Assurance of Divine Pardon:** Psalm 145:13-14

“The Lord is trustworthy in all he promises and faithful in all he does. The Lord upholds all who fall and lifts up all who are bowed down.”

**\*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.*

**Greetings & Announcements**

**The Giving of Tithes and Offerings**

**The Offertory**

**\*The 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.*

**The Choral Anthem:** “Climbin’ Up the Mountain, Children”

*Climbin’, climbin’ up the mountain,  
Climbin’, climbin’ up the mountain.  
Climbin’ up the mountain, children.  
You know I didn’t come here for to stay.  
And if I nevermore see you again, gonna meet you at the judgment day.*

*O my Lordy, I’m a —  
Climbin’ up the mountain, children.  
You know I didn’t come here for to stay.  
And if I nevermore see you again,  
Gonna meet you at the judgment day, O Lord,  
Meet you at the judgment day.*

*The Hebrew children in the fiery furnace and they began to pray.  
And the good Lord smot-a that fire out.  
O wasn’t that a mighty day, O Lord? Wasn’t that a mighty day?*

*O I’m climbin’ up the mountain, children.  
You know I didn’t come here for to stay.  
And if I nevermore see you again, gonna meet you at the judgment day.*

*O Daniel went into the den of lions, and he began to pray.  
And the good Lord locked up that lion’s jaw.  
O wasn’t that a mighty day, O Lord? Wasn’t that a mighty day?*

*O I’m climbin’ up the mountain, children.  
You know I didn’t come here for to stay.  
And if I nevermore see you again,  
Gonna meet you, gonna meet you, gonna meet you,  
Gonna meet you, meet you at the judgment day!*

- Arr. L. Shackley

### PRAISE THE GOD OF TRUTH

**Scripture Reading:** Matthew 6:7-9

<sup>7</sup> “And when you pray, do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do, for they think that they will be heard for their many words. <sup>8</sup> Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him: <sup>9</sup> Pray then like this:

“Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name.

**Scripture Response:** Psalm 119:12,16

**Leader:** This is the Word of God

**All:** “Blessed are you, O Lord; teach me your statutes. I will delight in your statutes; I will not forget your Word.”

**Sermon:** “The Blessing of Worship”

**\*Hymn:** “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” No. 2

**\*Benediction**

**\*The Choral Benediction:** “Three-fold Amen”

**\*Postlude** Malechi Doren

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## Announcements

**INTERESTED IN BECOMING A MEMBER OF FPC?** Our pastor, Waring Porter, will lead a 4-Sunday class beginning next Sunday, September 8, during the Sunday School hour. This class focuses on what we believe as Presbyterians, a little history of the Presbyterian denomination, and gives you the opportunity to ask questions. The class will meet in the Fellowship Hall after breakfast. [Please use the insert to register for the class.](#)

**PLEASE LET US KNOW YOU’VE JOINED US** today by signing the Attendance Pad located in each pew. A “Connect Card” is available on the back of each pew if you have a prayer request, need to speak with our pastor, or need to change your contact information. Please place the card in the offering plate. *If you’d like to receive our weekly email, please put your email address on a “Connect Card”, and place in the offering plate.*

**CHILDREN’S CHURCH**, is off today. It will resume next Sunday.

**WE HAVE TWO OPENINGS FOR THE LECONTE LODGE HIKING TRIP** on October 9-12, during Corinth’s Fall Break. The cost is \$375 per adult. For a complete itinerary and LeConte Lodge information, pick up a flyer at either entrance. Call Waring for more information, 901-233-2175, or email him at [wporter@fpccorinth.org](mailto:wporter@fpccorinth.org). The deadline is September 6.

**THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED TOMORROW, SEPTEMBER 2.**

