



Service for the Lord's Day
2nd Sunday after Epiphany
January 18, 2026



Adoration of the Magi by [Bartolomé Esteban Murillo](#)
(17th century)

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude "Lord, I Want To Be A Christian" (Lorenz) Dr. Michael Hooper

Bringing in the Light of Christ Kate Marsh

Welcome and Announcements Pat Marsh
(Please sign the Friendship Pad and make a note if you have information you would like to share with or a question you have for the church)

Introit "Send The Light" (Gabriel) Chancel Choir

***Call to Worship** (John 1:14, 12-13) Pat Marsh

Leader: The Word became flesh and lived among us,

People: And we have seen His glory,

Leader: The glory as of the Father's only Son, full of grace and truth. To all who received Him,

People: He gave power to become children of God,

All: Who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

***Passing of the Peace**

Leader: May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Please share the peace of Christ with those around you.

***Hymn** "Praise, My Soul, The King Of Heaven" # 478

***Call to Confession**

*** Prayer of Confession (Unison)**

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved You with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done Your will and instead have done our will. We have broken Your law. We have rebelled against Your love. We have not loved our neighbors, as we love ourselves. We have often refused to hear the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray, and free us for joyful, loving obedience, through Jesus our Lord and Savior.

***Indicates standing for those who are able.**



(time of silent confession)

***Assurance of Pardon**

(Romans 8:34; 2 Corinthians 5:17)

Leader: Hear the good news! Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us.

People: Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life is gone; a new life has begun.

Leader: Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.

***Gloria Patri**

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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.

Anthem

"How Great Thou Art" (arr. Larson)

Chancel Choir

A Time for Young Christians

(Fifth grade and up, please remain in worship)

Kate Canady

Pastoral Prayer 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.

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 60:1-3 & 5-6

Page 690, OT Pew Bible

Gospel Reading

Matthew 2:1-12

Page 2, NT Pew Bible

Sermon

"The GPS Theory For Life"

Dr. Rev. Gary Kelly

***Affirmation of Faith**

The Apostles' Creed (p.14, Hymnal)

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.

The Offertory

"Go Down Moses" (arr. Konder)

Dr. Michael Hooper

***Doxology**

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.

*Prayer of Dedication

Ordination and Installation of Elders in the Class of 2028 (see insert)

*Hymn

"Be Thou My Vision"

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*Benediction

(Ephesians 3:20-21)

Now to Him Who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

*Benediction Response

"Savior, Again To Your Dear Name" (Hopkins)

Chancel Choir

Taking out the Light of Christ

Kate Marsh

Postlude

"O Lord, O God, How Excellent" (West)

Dr. Michael Hooper

Welcome Back Dr. Rev. Gary Kelly

We are blessed to welcome Dr. Rev. Gary Kelly back to lead us in worship today. We're so grateful for your leadership and prayers, and we can't wait to be refreshed by the message God has for us through you. Thank you for your heart for this church.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

Thank you for your generosity, as we collected warm clothing for the Dangerous Weather Warming Shelter.

The collection directly impacts our vulnerable friends in the current winter season. We were able to deliver:



18 Coats	30 Pairs of Gloves
47 Pairs of Socks	30 Winter Hats
3 Scarves	31 Hooded Sweatshirts
3 Sets of Pajamas	1 Athletic Set



Flowers were given this week by...
Jim & Cathy Ikard
In recognition of Angie, Kate, & Michael
For their hard work & dedication to our
Church during our transition
and to the Glory of God





College Care Packages

If you have a loved one in college or graduate school and would like for them to receive a care package please contact the church office with their name & address (especially if their address has changed since last year). It doesn't matter if they are living at home, on or off campus. We want to remind them ALL that we have them in our prayers and love them very much.

We need your help to fill up the boxes for our college students.

We request donations to be provided on or before January 25.

(So far, we know we have 3 girls and 2 boys).

Donation Ideas: *Gift Cards *Homemade goodies are always welcome
*Laundry Supplies *School Supplies *Kleenex– Small packages *Lysol Wipes and/or Toiletries *Snacks, Candy – Everything individually wrapped so they can grab n' go!



January 28, 2026 begins our year for quarterly blood donation days. Hours are 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. in the fellowship hall of our church. Appointments can be made on line is by going to [Redcross.org](https://www.redcross.org) and clicking on Make an Appointment. Each pint of blood can be utilized by 3 individuals and is as always of great need. Our own Mary Brown, a multi gallon donor who because of health issues was unable to donate for over a year, is back on the donor list. She has issued a challenge to us and our friends to make an appointment to donate life saving blood. If you would like to help set up the room on Wednesday morning feel free to show up around 8:45 or if you would like to volunteer for a couple of hours at the "canteen" contact Melanie Hamilton.

MEALS NEEDED

Dear Church Family.....we are looking for some kind souls to provide meals for our Sunday evening Youth Group meetings. You may cook for us, provide food of your choosing, or simply come and take our orders and go to the restaurant of your choice and bring them take out for us back to the church.

Our meetings are from 4:30 to 5:30 with dinner at 5:00.



Thank you to those who have who have volunteered!

We appreciate your generosity!

We still need meals for the following Sundays:

March 22, April 12, and 26

If you feel a calling, please contact:

Kate Canady at VolsCan@aol.com or call or text 703-399-0626.

We thank you in advance!!





Shelbyville
First Presbyterian Church



Ordination and Installation of Elders for the Class of 2028

Opening Sentences

Dr. Rev. Gary Kelly

The Nature of the Office of Elder

Presentation of Newly Elected Elders

Sarah Natale
Clerk of Session

Ruling Elders Class of 2028

Christy Jensen	(install)
Rob Marsh	(install)
Joel Haithcote	(ordain/install)
Willie Snell	(ordain/install)

Constitutional Questions to Elders-elect

Constitutional Questions to Congregation

Prayer of Ordination and Installation

Declaration of Ordination and Installation

Charge to the newly ordained and/or installed Elders

Charge to the Congregation

Welcome of the newly ordained and installed Elders



Shelbyville
First Presbyterian Church



Meet Your Class of 2028

Joel Haithcote

Cathy and I have just celebrated 58 years of marriage as of Christmas Eve 2025. We have built a large and loving family that includes three children, four grandchildren, four bonus grandchildren, six great-grandchildren, and four bonus great-grandchildren. I have been a dedicated member of First Presbyterian Church for about seven years, involved in the life of the congregation.

For over 45 years, I have owned and operated Smitty's Tire & Automotive. Throughout my life, I have served this community as a City Councilman, PTO President, youth sports coach, and Sunday School teacher.

In my spare time, I enjoy watching classic westerns, but I am also a passionate history buff who follows history and political channels closely. My children and grandchildren often joke that I should compete in trivia contests because I would surely win. I also love bird watching, a favorite backyard pastime that brings me peace and reminds me of my parents. In earlier years, I enjoyed hunting, fishing, and playing golf.

I am excited and honored to serve as an elder at First Presbyterian Church. I see this role as an opportunity to provide leadership, support spiritual growth, and help strengthen the church community. I am grateful for the friendships I have continued to cultivate within the congregation as well as new relationships I have built since joining FPC.

My faith is deeply enriched by the biblical call to "Go," a reminder that faith involves action—stepping forward to serve others, embrace community, and grow spiritually. These connections and experiences continue to inspire me to live a life of service, love, and meaningful connection with God and those around me.

Robert Patterson Marsh

I have been married to my wonderful wife, Katherine, for 16 years, and together we have four children—Walker, Maddie, Anna, and Kate. I have been a member of First Presbyterian Church since childhood and have become increasingly involved as an adult. Through the church, I have built meaningful relationships within the congregation and grown in my faith. This will be my third time serving as an elder, a role that allows me to stay connected and actively engaged in our church community.

Outside of church, I enjoy golfing, spending time with family and friends, and watching my kids play sports.

Willie Telford Snell

I am married to Debby, together we have a daughter, 2 sons, and 4 grandsons. I have been a member of FPC Shelbyville for 31 years. I have served as a Deacon in 1998, and am currently serving as an usher and hall monitor.

I am an active member of the community and am serving as a volunteer fire fighter. I have coached junior pro and baseball. In my spare time, I mow!!!

My relationship with Ms. Helen Garner has given meaning to my experiences in this congregation.

Because of the knowledge that I have about God, He has enriched my relationship with Him and other people. I strive daily to love as God loves. I know beyond a doubt He answers prayers.

Christy Jensen

I am married to Aksel Jensen, IV for 29 years. We have three beautiful, amazing daughters..... Annie-Grace (27), Zoe (24, married to Hayden Gunter), and Molly (22).

I moved my letter of membership from my home-town (Baptist) church in Waverly, TN just before Annie-Grace was born, so 27 years.

I have served on the Session for two previous terms, chaired and served on the Faith Development committee for several years, which has given me the opportunity to plan and participate VBS, Trunk or Treat, the children's Easter Egg Hunt, teach Children's and Youth Sunday School, lead Children's Church, and even chaperon youth lock-ins. Oh and I pick up the doughnuts on Sunday mornings!!

I am a program coordinator for Community Development Center (known to most as the Child Development Center), through my work and in my off time I am involved locally in programs and services for children and adults with disabilities.

I love spending time with my girls and getting to Cookeville to see my mom and brother any chance I get. I do have favorite TV shows that I like catching up on during the weekend!

Every relationship, every experience I am blessed to have with my church family is a special and treasured part of my life. Working with the children in our church fills my heart with joy!

I believe that all people are created in the image of God, which guides me on how I treat others. I know God is loving, patient, and present, even in our weaknesses. This helps me trust God more deeply and treat other people with greater compassion, humility, and grace, knowing we're all growing and learning in our faith together.

Trustee: Brent Canady

I was born in Shelbyville, TN and married to Kate Canady here in FPC, Shelbyville in 1985. We have two children, both were baptized here. Andy married to Carolyn and Benjie engaged to Amber.

I am a Retired U.S. Navy Banker, joined FPC, Shelbyville in 2013 after returning here following a 33-year Naval Career. I have twice served as an Elder and along with Kate, we currently lead our youth Sunday School program. I am active in the community and have served on the Shelbyville-Bedford County Public Library Board of Directors (9 years total), served on the Chamber of Commerce board and chairman, served as a U.S. Naval Academy Blue & Gold Officer (10 years), and currently serve on the Shelbyville Housing Authority Board of Directors and the Shelbyville Airport Authority Board of Directors.

I enjoy working on their farm and watching Navy and Tennessee sporting events.

The most meaningful part of my church membership is: The strong family fellowships that have endured over many-decades.

What enriches my relationship with God and other people: God's everlasting Grace and forgiveness of our sins.



Calendar

Sunday, January 18, 2026

Sunday School 9:00am
Youth Breakfast Club 9:00am
Worship Service 10:00am

Monday, January 19, 2026

Cub Scout Meeting 6:00pm
Session Meeting 5:30pm

Tuesday, January 20, 2026

Parent's Day Out 9:00am-2:00pm
AA Meeting 7:00pm

Wednesday, January 21, 2026

Chancel Choir 6:00pm

Thursday, January 22, 2026

Parent's Day Out 9:00am-2:00pm
AA Meeting 7:00pm

Friday, January 23, 2026

AA Meeting 1:00pm

Sunday, January 25, 2026

Sunday School 9:00am
Youth Breakfast Club 9:00am
Worship Service 10:00am

Monday, January 26, 2026

Cub Scout Meeting 6:00pm



Jan 19 Gavin Segroves

Jan 23 Mike Bone

Jan 19 Kyle Segroves

Jan 23 Phillip Frisby

Jan 19 Walker Marsh

Jan 25 Paul Haradon



If you would like to add someone to the Prayer List,
please call the church office at (931)684-6541
or send an email to first.pres.church600@gmail.com.



LCDR Andy Canady (Member)

Airman Chase Blanton (Member)

Airman Caleb Fletcher (Grandson of Susan Spears)

Pvt. Oscar Taylor Helen Garner's Great-Great Nephew)

Airman Anna Powell (Melanie Hamilton's Great Niece)

Those in Military Service and their families.
Those who are serving abroad and at home.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Family of John "JL" Luther Barker (Raychelle Flannagan's Father)

Frieda Bone (Member)

Mary Brown (Member)

Louis & Olivia Calvo (Friends of James Smith)

Jim Caperton (Member)

Kay Dennis (Friend of Jim & Cathy Ikard)

Patricia Farrar (Daughter of Pat Thompson)

Carol Filczer (Angie's Sister/Church Secretary)

Bill Garner (Brother-in-law of Helen Garner)

Cliff Garrard (Member)

Alan Gill (Brother In Law of Belinda Craig)

Emily Hall (Daughter of Dr. Carol Magnusson)

Edwin Holcombe (Member)

Fred Hunt (Member)

JD Idso (Deann Idso's Son)

Cathy Ikard (Member)

Mike Jenne (Raychelle Flannagan's Brother In-Law)

Scott Johnson (Friend of Tommy & Linda Anderton & Pat & Mary Marsh)

Anna Kaiser (Friend of Wayne & Charlotte Williams)

Tony Matussek (Member)

Chris & Savanna Morton (Family & Friends of Debby & Willie Snell)

Joe Powell (Relative of Melanie Hamilton)

Ginny Saylor (Member)

Family of Theron "Ron Simmons" (Son of Bill & Willie Simmons/Wife Millie)

Barbara Singleton (Member)

Bill & Pat Singleton (Friend of Cathy Haithcote)

Baker Smith (Son of Lauren & Gage Smith/Grandson of Kathy & Richard Smith)

Family & Friends of Barbara Steinke (Member)

Mike Stewart (Friend of Ed & Lisa Neese)

Jeremiah Thomas (Grandson of Pat Thomas)

Bob Wilson (Friend of Susan Spears)

Kaemey Young (Daughter of Turner Family/Friend)



Sunday, January 18, 2026

Ushers/Greeters
Bailey & Trena Little
Sarah Natale
Rob Marsh
 Lay Liturgist
Pat Marsh
 Visiting Minister

A Time for Young Christians
Kate Canady
 Hall Monitor
Kathy Smith
 Acolyte
Kate Marsh
Dr. Reverend Gary Kelly

Children's Church
Bea Marsh
 Nursery
Carrie Hooper
 Flowers
Jim & Cathy Ikard

Sunday, January 25, 2026

Ushers/Greeters
Jim & Cathy Ikard
Kathy Smith
Debby Snell
 Lay Liturgist
Sarah Natale
 Visiting Minister

A Time for Young Christians
Kate Canady
 Hall Monitor
John Marsh
 Acolyte

Children's Church
Katherine Marsh
 Nursery
Bea Marsh
 Flowers

Sunday, February 1, 2026

Ushers/Greeters
Tommy Anderton
Pat Thomas
Roy & Lisa Turner
 Lay Liturgist
Brent Canady
 Communion Prep:
 Communion Servers
 Visiting Minister

A Time for Young Christians
Connie Crafton
 Hall Monitor
Frieda Bone
 Acolyte

Children's Church
Carrie Hooper
 Nursery
Katherine Marsh
 Flowers

Sunday, February 8, 2026

Ushers/Greeters
Frieda Bone
Brent Canady
Michal Dobson
Helen Garner
 Lay Liturgist
Rob Marsh
 Visiting Minister

A Time for Young Christians
Kate Canady
 Hall Monitor
Tommy Anderton

 Acolyte

Reverend Micah Watson

Children's Church
Bea Marsh
 Nursery
Lisa Turner

 Flowers



If you know of someone that is homebound and they would like to receive communion. Please contact the church office.