



**Service for the Lord's Day**  
**15th Sunday after Pentecost**  
**September 21, 2025**



Phillip Medhurst presents 3/392 the James Tissot Jesus c 1896  
 The Corner Stone

**Preparation for Worship (Read before service for quiet meditation):**

I love You, Lord  
 For Your mercy never fails me  
 All my days, I've been held in Your hands  
 From the moment that I wake up  
 Until I lay my head  
 Oh, I will sing of the goodness of God  
 (Lyrics from "Goodness of God" written by Fielding, Johnson, Cash, Ingram, & Johnson)

**Chiming of the Hour**

**Prelude** "Voluntary And Fugue In C" (by Handel) Dr. Michael Hooper

**Bringing in the Light of Christ** Charleigh Turner

**Welcome and Announcements** Kate Canady  
 (Please sign the "Friendship Pad" and make a note if you have a hymn request or information for the Pastor or church office.)

**Introit** "Until Then" (by Hamblen) Chancel Choir

**\*Call to Worship** (Psalm 1:1-6, The Message) Kate Canady

**Leader:** How well God must like you – you don't walk in the ruts of those blind-as-bats, you don't stand with the good-for-nothings, you don't take your seat among the know-it-alls.

**People:** **Instead you thrill to God's Word, you chew on Scripture day and night. You're a tree replanted in Eden, bearing fresh fruit every month, never dropping a leaf, always in blossom.**

**Leader:** You're not at all like the wicked, who are mere windblown dust – without defense in court, unfit company for innocent people.

**People:** **The fear of the Lord is pure, enduring forever; the ordinances of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.**

**All:** **God charts the road you take. The road *they* take leads to nowhere.**

**\*Hymn** "Jesus, Thou Joy Of Loving Hearts" # 510

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



### **\*Call to Confession**

(Psalm 51:10-12)

Leader: After sinning, King David prayed to God: "Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me.

**People: Do not cast me away from Your presence, and do not take Your Holy Spirit from me.**

Leader: Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, and sustain in me a willing spirit. Hear us, O Lord, as we to confess our sins:

### **\* Prayer of Confession (Unison)**

Holy Sovereign of all, we confess that we have been filled with self-importance. We have sought more to be served than to serve. We strive relentlessly for personal gain without giving You or others a thought. In mercy, forgive us. Renew us. By Your Spirit, help us become as little children dependent on our mother, so that we may be cared for and guided by Your loving hand. Soften our hearts so that we may more fully please You and more freely serve one another out of love. In so doing, we will know the deep joy of being the disciple You created us to be, in the footsteps of our Master, Jesus Christ.

(time of silent confession)

### **\*Assurance of Pardon**

(1 Peter 1:3-4)

Leader: "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!

**People: By His great mercy He has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,**

Leader: And into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you." Through Jesus Christ's resurrection and born anew, our sins are forgiven.

### **\*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.

### **\*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.

### **A Time for Young Christians**

(Fifth grade and up, please remain in worship)

Connie Crafton

### **Prayer of Thanksgiving 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.*

Gospel Reading

1 Corinthians 3: 10-11

Page 167, NT Pew Bible

Anthem

"The Journey" (arr. Martin)

Chancel Choir

Message

"Building Our Foundation"

Pam Birtcil

**\*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**

"God Welcomes All" (arr. Howarth)

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****\*Hymn**

"For The Beauty Of The Earth"

# 473

**\*Benediction**

(Jude 24-25)

Now to Him Who is able to keep you from falling, and to make you stand without blemish in the presence of His glory with rejoicing, to the only God our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, power, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.

**\*Benediction Response**

"Wonderful Words Of Life" (by Bliss)

Chancel Choir

**Taking out the Light of Christ****\*Postlude**

"I would Be True" (by Peek)

Dr. Michael Hooper

**5 cents-a-meal**

**Don't forget to bring your  
donations on  
Sunday, September 21st**

# Church Picnic



FELLOWSHIP, FOOD, AND FUN

PLAN TO BE THERE!!!

September 21st,

4:30-7:00PM

At the Lions pavilion

Shelbyville Rec Center

220 Tulip Rd.



## September Youth Activities

September 21 Church Family Picnic at the Park

4:30-7:00 p.m.

September 28 Youth Group at the church

4:30-5:30 p.m. Dinner included

Bring a friend or two!!



### NOTE OF THANKSGIVING

Sept. 9, 2025

Dear FPC Family,

We wanted to express our thanksgiving for the many wonderful cards, phone calls of appreciation and heartfelt emails and text messages we received, as we moved from our ministry with you to a new call.

With gratitude, we received the gift of the stained glass windchimes—inscribed "those who touch our lives stay in our hearts forever"—and the kind words of recognition of our time together during worship.

May the blessings of God rest upon the FPC family of faith—always in our prayers.

Lovingly in His service  
Denise + Pastor Jim



The Book Club is meeting on  
Friday, September 26th, 9:30am

at Never Rest Park.

They will be discussing  
"Remarkably Bright Creatures"

By: Shelby Van Pelt



## CALENDAR

### Sunday, September 21, 2025

Sunday School 9:00am  
Youth Breakfast Club 9:00am  
Worship Service 10:00am  
5-Cents-A-Meal Donations  
Church Picnic 4:30-7:00pm

### Monday, September 22, 2025

Cub Scout Meeting 6:00pm

### Tuesday, September 23, 2025

AA Meeting 7:00pm

### Wednesday, September 24, 2025

Chancel Choir 6:00pm

### Thursday, September 25, 2025

AA Meeting 7:00pm

### Friday, September 26, 2025

Book Club at Never Rest Park 9:30am  
AA Meeting 1:00pm

### Sunday, September 28, 2025

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

### Monday, September 29, 2025

Cub Scout Meeting 6:00pm



September 22 Sarah Natale

September 24 Kristin Conley

September 24 Linda Anderton



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](mailto: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.**



**Melanie Abraham** (Brent Canady's Cousin)  
**Jenny Baker Barber** (Ginger Shofner's cousin)  
**Frieda Bone** (Member)  
**Mary Brown** (Member)  
**Donna Cox** (Tommy Anderton's Sister)  
**Kay Dennis** (Friend of the Jim & Cathy Ikard)  
**Bill Garner** (Helen Garner's Brother-in-law)  
**Cliff Garrard** (Member)  
**Alan Gill** (Belinda Craig's Brother In Law)  
**Edwin Holcombe** (Member)  
**Fred Hunt** (Member)  
**JD Idso** (Deann Idso's Son)  
**Mike Jenne** (Raychelle Flannagan's Brother In-Law)  
**Anna Kaiser** (Friend of Wayne & Charlotte Williams)

**Family & Friends of David Kee** (Member)  
**Evie Marsh** (Church Family)  
**Family & Friends of Carolyn Matusek** (Member)  
**Tony Matusek** (Member)  
**Mary Helen Maupin** (Former Member)  
**Chris & Savanna Morton** (Family & Friends of Debby & Willie Snell)  
**Joe Powell** (Relative of Melanie Hamilton)  
**Barbara Singleton** (Member)  
**Family & Friends of Margaret Smith** (Member)  
**Barbara Steinke** (Member)  
**Jeremiah Thomas** (Pat Thomas' Grandson)  
**Bob Wilson** (Friend of Susan Spears)  
**Kaemey Young** (Daughter of Turner Family/Friend)



**Sunday, September 21, 2025**

Ushers/Greeters  
**Michal Dobson**  
**Sarah Natale**  
**Kristin & Richard Wilhelm**  
 Lay Liturgist  
**Kate Canady**

A Time for Young Christians  
**Connie Crafton**  
 Hall Monitor  
**Pat Marsh**  
 Acolyte  
**Charleigh Turner**

Children's Church  
**Belinda Craig**  
 Nursery  
**Raychelle Flannagan**  
 Flowers

**Sunday, September 28, 2025**

Ushers/Greeters  
**Frieda Bone**  
**Christy Jensen**  
**Roy & Lisa Turner**  
 Lay Liturgist:  
**Charlotte Williams**

A Time for Young Christians  
**Kate Canady**  
 Hall Monitor  
**Jim Ikard**  
 Acolyte  
**Evie Marsh**

Children's Church  
**Christy Jensen**  
 Nursery  
**Bea Marsh**  
 Flowers

**Sunday, October 05, 2025**

Ushers/Greeters  
**Debbie & Willie Snell**  
**Pat Thomas**  
**Charlotte Williams**  
 Lay Liturgist  
**Rob Marsh**  
 Communion Prep:  
 Communion Servers:

A Time for Young Christians  
**Connie Crafton**  
 Hall Monitor  
**Lisa Turner**  
 Acolyte

Children's Church  
**Bea Marsh**  
 Nursery  
**Katherine Marsh**  
 Flowers  
**Debby & Willie Snell**

**Aaron & Connie Crafton**  
**Belinda Craig, John Marsh, Aaron Crafton,**  
**Jim Ikard, Sarah Natale**

**Sunday, October 12, 2025**

Ushers/Greeters  
**Nancy June Brandon**  
**Brent Canady**  
**Jim & Cathy Ikard**  
 Lay Liturgist  
**Pat Marsh**

A Time for Young Christians  
**Connie Crafton**  
 Hall Monitor  
**Raychelle Flannagan**  
 Acolyte

Children's Church  
**Kristin Wilhelm**  
 Nursery  
**Debby Snell**  
 Flowers



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



In Memory of David Carmac Kee, A donation to the Backpack Fund was made by Brenda Knight.

In Memory of Margaret Taylor Smith, A donation to the Backpack Fund was made by Brenda Knight.