



First Presbyterian Church

Shelbyville, Tennessee

Weekly Newsletter

January 19, 2020



Our Call to Worship this Sunday derives from Psalm 40 which is a blend of two themes. The first part of the Psalm (verses 1-10) is a song of thanksgiving. The middle section (verses 11,12) is a transition from thanks to request and the final section (verses 13-17) is an outright plea to God.

Our Call to Worship uses verses in the first section to affirm the character of God and the nature of God's work in our lives. God hears our cries. God lifts us up. God has put a new song in our mouths. God's deeds of wonder in our lives have been on a multiplicative order of magnitude.

And because God has done all these things, because this is the nature and personality of God, we will proclaim God's goodness and God's grace. Proclamation is part of our discipleship. We will declare that what God wants from us is not glamorous; it's just our simple attention.

Do you like praise bands? I often enjoy the message but not the music, however the band U2 produced a great song using this Psalm. It's called "40" and it announces the first portion of the Psalm. Give a look and listen through this link:

[U2-40](#)

The final verses of the Psalm say this:

But may all who seek You
Rejoice and be glad in You;
May those who love Your salvation
Say continually, "Great is the Lord!"
As for me, I am poor and needy,
But the Lord takes thought for me.
You are my help and my deliverer;
Do not delay, O my God.

See you in church!

Allen

SUNDAY, JANUARY 19, 2020

**Join us as we gather for worship of our Lord and Savior
JESUS CHRIST**

Old Testament: Isaiah 49:1-4

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 1:4-9

Sermon: "Living into Grace"

Rev. Allen Cross

SERVING SUNDAY, JANUARY 19, 2020		SERVING SUNDAY, JANUARY 26, 2020	
Acolyte	Sara Flannagan		
Lay Liturgist	Brenda Skelton	Lay Liturgist	Marylyn Caperton
Ushers/Greeters	Theresa Blanton Freida Bone Helen Garner Bailey Little	Ushers/Greeters	Tony Matusek Richard Smith Hunter Wilhelm Richard Wilhelm
Hall Monitor	Terry Saylor	Hall Monitor	Tommy Anderton
A Time for Young Christians	Connie Crafton	A Time for Young Christians	Connie Crafton
Children's Church	Katherine Marsh	Children's Church	Katherine Marsh
Nursery	Maddie Hittle	Nursery	Abby Hittle

January 20th through January 31st

Monday, January 20th
Birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr.
Church Office Closed

Session 5:30pm

Presbyterian Youth Connection
Wednesday, 22nd and 29th
Dinner 5:45-6:15pm
Children's Bible Study 6:15-6:45pm
Children's dismissal
Youth Bible Study 6:15-7:15pm



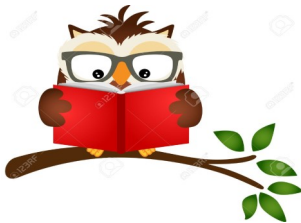
Please email the name and mailing address of your college student.

Send to
first.pres.church600@gmail.com

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Begins Wednesday, January 22

Please consider signing up to bring dinner for the youth and helpers.



Book Club

Sunday, January 30th at 3:30pm

"Where'd You Go Bernadette" by Maria Semple



Prayerfully consider serving in 2020.

FPC needs volunteers for the following:

Lay Liturgist, Ushers/Greeters, Hall Monitor,
Children's Church Teachers, and Nursery Helpers.

Call the church office at 931.684.6541 or email:
first.pres.church600@gmail.com.

***Need for Children's Church Teachers for February,
March and April.***



Little Library

If you have books you would like to share, please put them in the library by the parking lot.



When Bedford Co. Schools are closed due to inclement weather all church activities will be cancelled.

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