



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Shelbyville, Tennessee
Sunday, October 18, 2020



Dear Friends,

Let me begin by thanking you for your donations for the Good Samaritan food pantry. As you have no doubt heard from news stories and perhaps from personal experience, we are aware that food pantries across our nation are being inundated by requests for food. One of the ministries of the church is to “feed the hungry.” Thank you for being a part of this ministry of compassion.

Our next collection Sunday will be November 8th so you better start stocking up now!

Your Nominating Committee is hard at work. I want to thank all of you who submitted names for our consideration. When we have our slate of nominees, we will ask the session to call a congregational meeting for your approval.

During that congregational meeting there will be an opportunity to make nominations from the floor. I only ask you make sure the candidate you enter will serve if elected.

I'll leave you with a thought. We are about to enter what has been dubbed the “holiday season.” Halloween kicks it off, Thanksgiving follows and in rapid succession we have Christmas and New Year's.

The church is also entering seasons of its own. We have our “stewardship” season. This is quickly followed by the seasons of Advent, Christmas and Epiphany. Each of these seasons, secular or religious, require us to prepare for them. We pretty much know what we need to do to get ready for them.

How do you prepare for worship each Sunday? And I mean spiritually. How do you prepare to worship God in spirit and in truth? Do you have a discipline of daily devotional time? Good for you if you do. Perhaps you have more of a hit or miss approach. It happens. You may have no routine at all and just show up.

However you prepare for Sunday worship I'd like to offer a suggestion. Take your bulletin home with you. Use it to guide you in a time of personal worship. Even if you only have time to read the call to worship at the start of the day or the prayer of confession, the affirmation of faith or the scripture for the day.

Then let that word dwell with you throughout the day. A word or a phrase may stay with you. Let it take you where it will. And don't forget the folks on the prayer list.

You have a wonderful resource right at your fingertips and you get a new one each week! And using elements of our Sunday morning worship during your personal devotional time is a way to remain connected with one another in worship during the week and not just for an hour or so on Sunday morning.

Well, it's just a thought.

Take care and be safe.

Grace and Peace, Taylor

Worship Liturgy for Sunday, October 18, 2020

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Dr. Taylor Todd

Children and Youth Announcements

Cindy Lamb

Prelude

Billie Crowell

Call to Worship:

Psalm 96, Selected verses

Rev. Dr. Taylor Todd

Leader: O sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth! Sing to the Lord, bless His name; tell of His salvation from day to day.

People: Declare His glory among the nations, His marvelous works among all the peoples! For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised; He is to be feared above all gods.

Leader: Ascribe to the Lord, O families of the peoples. Ascribe to the Lord glory and strength!

People: Ascribe to the Lord the glory due His name; bring an offering and come into His courts!

All: Come, let us worship God!

Prayer of Preparation

Rev. Dr. Taylor Todd

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

O merciful God, we come to You not because we are strong, but because we are weak; not because we have merits of our own, but because we need Your mercy and Your help. Grant us grace to keep Your commandments, to accept Your guidance, to obey Your word, and to never leave Your path. Fill us with Your life-giving breath, so that our parched spiritual bones may leap to life.

Time for Silent Confession

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

***Gloria Patri (instrumental)**

Billie Crowell

***Passing of the Peace**

Leader: Peace be with you.

People: And also with you

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

A Time for Young Christians

Kate Canady

Children's Church

Cindy Lamb

*Children's Church Curriculum is designed for all children through 5th grade.
However, all children are welcome to remain in Worship.*

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading: Genesis 1:26-28 and Matthew 22:15-22

Sermon: "Give to God the Things that Belong to God" Rev. Dr. Taylor Todd

Music: “To God Be the Glory” Page 485 Billie Crowell

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

***Profession of Faith The Confession of 1967** **9.08**

God's Work of Reconciliation; Section A – The Grace of Our Lord Jesus Christ

In Jesus of Nazareth, true humanity was realized once for all. Jesus, a Palestinian Jew, lived among His own people and shared their needs, temptations, joys, and sorrows. He expressed the love of God in word and deed and became a brother to all kinds of sinful men and women. But His complete obedience led Him into conflict with His people. His life and teaching judged their goodness, religious aspirations, and national hopes. Many rejected Him and demanded His death. In giving Himself freely for them, He took upon Himself the judgment under which all people stand convicted. God raised Him from the dead, vindicating Him as Messiah and Lord. The victim of sin became victor and won the victory over sin and deal for all people. Amen.

SEALING OF THE WORD

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

All: 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 power and the glory forever. Amen

Doxology (instrumental)

Billie Crowell

Prayer of Dedication

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

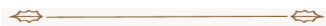
*Charge and Blessing

*Postlude

Billie Crowell

ANNOUNCEMENTS for Sunday, October 18, 2020

SUNDAY SCHOOL through
November 1st~ for All ages 9:00am



YOUTH MINISTRY—Sunday Nights
6-7:30pm

Please help our Youth with the following:

1. **Furnishing Meals for Sunday Night**
2. **Project #Comforting Kids**
3. **Halloween Candy**

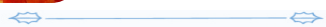
You may make a monetary donation for the above. Please designate which you are sponsoring (i.e. Meals, #Comforting Kids, or Halloween Candy.) Place your donation in the collection plate or mail to the church at 600 N. Brittain St.



WEDNESDAY 4-5:30pm Play Rehearsal
“THE SYMBOLS OF CHRISTMAS”



November 1st. Saturday,
October 31st, set your
clocks ‘BACK’ 1 hour!



SERVING OCTOBER 18, 2020

Greeters **Rob Marsh & Pat Thomas**

Hall Monitor **John Marsh**

A Time for Young Christians **Kate Canady**

Children's Church **Cindy Lamb**

Nursery **Mary Marsh**



SERVING OCTOBER 25, 2020

Greeters **Brenda Skelton & Pat Thompson**

Hall Monitor **Pat Marsh**

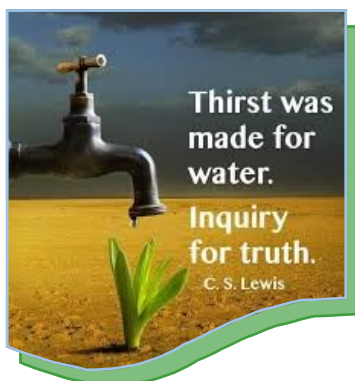
A Time for Young Christians **Kate Canady**

Children's Church **Cindy Lamb**

Nursery **Bea Marsh**

**Attention Greeters
and Hall Monitors**

**Please be sure the doors
are locked after Worship**



**COMMITTEES-Reminder to have your
budget turned in to the Finance
Committee by Sunday, November 1st.**

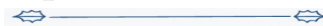
MEETINGS:

Session-Monday, 19th at 5:30pm

Pastoral Care-Tuesday, 20th at 10:00am



BOOK CLUB 3:30pm
Sunday, October 25th
Fellowship Hall FPC



CONCERNS FOR PRAYER

**Chase and Catherine Bartlett & their
unborn Child** (Family of Aaron & Connie Crafton)

The Family of Steve Beech

(Father of Kristin Wilhelm)

Doris Cochrane (Friend of Rev. Dr. Taylor Todd)

Mathew Croson (Nephew of Charlotte Williams)

Evelyn Davidson (Member)

Bob and Alice Durio (Members)

Pat Edmiston (Friend of Christy Jensen)

Gina Foutch (Daughter of Shirley Luscinski)

Cory Hartbarger (Member)

Kelli Hayn (Friend of Ginger Shofner)

Chad Hunter (Cousin of Ginger Shofner)

Margaret Jarrell (Member)

Carolyn Matusek (Member)

Gail Parsons (Member)

Dr. Chuck Patrick (Father of Bea Marsh)

Terry Saylor (Member)

Jim Sepull (Member)

Steve Slack (Friend of Kate Canady)

Sheila Withers (Friend of Shirley Luscinski)

Those in Military Service:

LT Andy Canady (Member)

Airman Chase Blanton (Member)



“My soul **thirsts** for God for
the living God. When can I
go and meet with God?”

Psalm 42:2