

# First Presbyterian Church

August 13, 2017 - 11:00 A.M.

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:** {Please pass the Friendship Pads.}

**PRELUDE:** “O, For a Thousand Tongues to Sing” Hobby

## CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: Shout for joy all the earth.

**People: Worship the Lord with gladness; come before Him with joyful songs.**

Leader: Know that the Lord is God. It is He who made us, and we are His; we are His people, the sheep of His pasture.

**People: Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise; give thanks to Him and praise His name.**

Leader: For the Lord is good and His love endures forever; His faithfulness continues through all the generations.

## PRAYER OF ADORATION

✠ **HYMN OF PRAISE: No. 336** “We Gather Together” {KREMSER}

✠ **PRAYER OF CONFESSION** {unison}

**Lord we carry burdens that were never intended for us. We worry about life and loved ones. We chase after things which never satisfy. We waste time. We share gossip. We think of ourselves rather than others.**

**O Lord, forgive us for worrying instead of trusting in You. Please continue to pursue us even amid our proud thoughts and vain desires. Guide our days that we would serve the needs of others. Place words of love in our mouth that we would encourage and edify those around us as we share the Gospel of Jesus Christ.**

✠ **SILENT CONFESSION**

✠ **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**CHILDREN’S SERMON:** {Children first grade and under please come forward.}

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD’S PRAYER**

✠ **HYMN: No. 15** “All Creatures of Our God and King” {LASST UNS ERFREUEN}

✠ **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:** *Apostles’ Creed* {hymnal, page 35}

✠ **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. Amen.*

## PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

**Offertory:** “I Love to Tell the Story” Hobby

✠ **The Doxology**  
*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise him, all creatures here below; Alleluia, alleluia!  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

✠ **Prayer of Dedication**

**ANTHEM:** “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” Johnson

**OLD TESTAMENT LESSON:** Psalm 46 {Pew Bible, page 885}

**NEW TESTAMENT LESSON:** Acts 1:1-11 {Pew Bible, page 1690}

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

**SERMON:** Dr. Darren Bess

“GOD’S FAITHFULNESS: PART TWO, THE PRESENT”

✠ **HYMN OF RESPONSE:** {AURELIA}  
**No. 321** “The Church’s One Foundation”

✠ **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

✠ **CHORAL RESPONSE TO THE BENEDICTION**

✠ **POSTLUDE:** “Trumpet Tune” Telemann

✠ Those able are invited to stand.

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**WELCOME** to all who are worshipping with us this Sunday morning. We pray that you will feel the warmth of God’s Spirit, and that you will be spiritually encouraged and nurtured as we worship our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Please take a moment to sign our friendship pads found in the pew rack.

A **NURSERY** is provided for infants through four-year-olds, and Children's Church is offered for five-year-olds through second grade following the Children's Sermon.

**THE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY** are given to the glory of God and in honor of our children, Katalin, Lauren and Stephen, by Marty and Theresa Bramblett.

**CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY OF THE CONGREGATION** is extended to the family and friends of Mr. George Johnston.

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL:** Dr. Darren Bess will be teaching a combined Adult Sunday School Class for the next 30 or so weeks. This class in the fellowship hall will start between 9:45 and 10:00 a.m. Each Sunday is a "stand-alone" lesson even though it is a walk-thru of the Bible. All you need to do is come prayerfully and bring your Bible.

A **CHURCH FAMILY COOKOUT** will be on Sunday, August 20, from 5:00 until 7:00 p.m. at the Spray Park. This event for all First Presbyterian families and guests is hosted by the Deacon Class of 2018. So that adequate plans can be made, use the green Summer GTF slips to sign up (prices on the slips do not apply) or call the church office (534-0088).

**THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER** will be observed in the service of worship on Sunday, August 20, 2017.

**BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS:** Bring your backpack to the service of worship on Sunday, August 20. The blessing of the backpacks will be during the children's sermon.

**DEADLINE** for the September edition of the newsletter is Wednesday, August 16. Email submissions to [dseymore@1stpresbyterian.org](mailto:dseymore@1stpresbyterian.org).

**STEPS:** It's not too late to register. Booklets are in the church office and online at [www.caprestery.org/steps](http://www.caprestery.org/steps). Please let Kaye Borgstedt know if you want to ride the bus.

**HEARING DEVICES AND LARGE PRINT HYMNALS** are available from the ushers.

**USHERS-August 13:** Tiffany Hunter, Keith Hewitt, John Hutto, Ewart Irick, Franklin Kell

**August 20:** Tiffany Hunter, Billy Kelley, Lewis Lanier, Stuart Marcus, Rob Miller, Allyn Price

**PRESCHOOL NURSERY:** August 13: Burroughs      August 20: Miller  
**CHILDREN'S CHURCH:** August 13: Dickson      August 20: Axson

## LIFE OF THE CHURCH

<b>MONDAY:</b>	1:00 p.m. - Prayer Team: Sanctuary
<b>TUESDAY:</b>	7:00 a.m. - Men's Bible Study: <i>The Kuckery</i> 6:00 p.m. - Session Meeting: Conference Room
<b>WEDNESDAY:</b>	8:00 a.m. - Jim Turner Men's Bible Study Class
<b>THURSDAY:</b>	11:15 a.m. - Intercessors Meet for Prayer 6:30 p.m. - Basketball in the Centre

**SAVE THE DATE:** Church-wide breakfast on Sunday, September 17, at 9:30 in the Centre.

**EDISTO HABITAT FOR HUMANITY** will begin building a new home at 980 Kings Road on Saturday, August 19. Registration begins at 7:30 a.m.; Groundbreaking Service is at 8:00 a.m. with construction immediately following. Scheduled work dates are Saturday, August 19, Saturday, August 26, Saturday, September 9, Saturday, September 23, and Wednesday, October 11. Contact Melissa Camp, Volunteer Coordinator, for more information (378-8277).