

First Presbyterian Church

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May 19th, 2024

We welcome you not as strangers but as a part of God's family! We are a community of faith that gathers to praise our Lord and Savior, serve others, search for answers, and enjoy the fellowship of one another. We hope today you will be challenged and discover encouragement. The peace of Christ be with you!

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Day of Pentecost

May 19th, 2024

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

*Worship begins with the Prelude. Please use this time for **silent** preparation.*

PRELUDE

William Gaither

"I Will Serve Thee"

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

CHORAL INTROIT

Otis Skillings

"Lord, We Praise You"

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

Leader: O world, come together in one place,
Women: *And suddenly an almighty roar shall sound:*
Men: *The rush of a mighty wind,*
Unison: *A tempest from the mountaintop!*
Leader: O world, kneel together in one place,
Women: *And suddenly a fiery pillar shall rise:*
Men: *The tongue of a fiery spirit,*
Unison: *A flash from the heaven's crown!*
Leader: *O world, come and kneel together:*
Unison: *And the place shall be sacred; the moment, divine!*

PRAYER OF PRAISE

*HYMN OF ADORATION # 291

“Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness”

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

O God, we forget that there is more to life than the daily pursuits that occupy our attention. We are weak because we have failed to embrace the resources You place before us. We are engaged only by what we can see and touch and hear. Our frantic self-centeredness dries up our spirits and we lose hope. Call us, O God, out of our shallow graves and into the deep fullness of Your loving Spirit. Forgive our sins and make us whole. Amen.

*DECLARATION OF PARDON

*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.*

A MOMENT WITH OUR CHILDREN

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Romans 8:22-27, page 158

ANTHEM

“Come Just as You Are”

Joseph Sabolick

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Acts 2:1-21, page 119

Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: *Thanks be to God.*

MEDITATION

“what does this mean?”

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*COMMUNION HYMN # 515

“I Come with Joy”

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation to the Lord's Table

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.*

Words of Institution

Sharing the Bread and Cup

Prayer

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

OFFERING AND OFFERTORY

Mark Gershmel

"We Are His Hands"

*DOXOLOGY

Hymn #606

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT # 295

"Go To the World!"

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*POSTLUDE

Darrell Evans

"Trading My Sorrows"

**Please stand if able.*

Opportunities for the Week of May 19th – May 26th

Today: 10:00 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship Service / Communion / PW Birthday Offering
12:10 p.m. Hand Chime Practice
12:15 p.m. Session Meeting
Tuesday: 6:15 p.m. Men's Group
Wednesday: Deadline for Church Mouse / Newsletter
5:30 p.m. Choir Practice
6:30 p.m. Bible Study
Sunday: 10:00 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship Service
12:15 p.m. Hand Chime Practice

Announcements

The Presbyterian Women Annual Birthday Offering will be collected today. Two organizations will receive donations in 2024: Advocates for Community Choice dba Bethel Hills in Marthasville, Missouri and Shawnee Presbyterian Church in Louisville, Kentucky.

Come join us for our Bible study on Wednesday night at 6:30 p.m. We are using the Chosen Series. This is an excellent tool to assist in growing in faith.

Camp Monroe will have an open house and dinner meal today. See the church newsletter for details.

Chad Thomason will be offering a CPR/defibrillator class on Tuesday, May 28th at 7:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center. Please plan to attend. The class will last about one hour.

Graduation Sunday will take place on June 2nd followed by a covered-dish luncheon as we celebrate with Abby Phillips and Joey Tortora and families.

Summer schedule begins on June 2nd with worship beginning at 10 a.m.

The Men's Group is collecting paper towels and feminine products for Friend to Friend. All donations may be left in the Family Life Center. Please contact Keith Hardin with any questions at 910-603-0837. Monetary donations are accepted. Thank you for your support.

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God by Regena & Pat Nugent.