

First Presbyterian Church

Tullahoma, Tennessee

6th Sunday after Pentecost July 20, 2025

Vision Statement:

Worshipping God, growing together, serving others, and welcoming all

Service for the Worship of God – 10:30 a.m.

Welcome and Announcements

If you are visiting with us and would like to leave your contact information, please fill out the “Welcome” card (located in the pew rack) and drop it in the offering plate.

Prelude

Melissa Hinds

Still your heart and prepare to worship God.

Water is poured into the baptismal font calling us to remember our baptism.

The acolytes symbolically bring the light of Christ into the service.

Call to Worship (responsively)

Led by Liturgist

Come, let us sing for joy to God;

let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.

Let us come before God with thanksgiving

and extol him with music and song.

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Led by Liturgist

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

(The liturgist continues with the remainder of the prayer.)

****Hymn No. 19**

God of Great and God of Small

****Call to Confession**

Liturgist

****Prayer of Confession (responsively)**

Led by Liturgist

God, you placed us in the world to be its salt. But we are often slow to commit ourselves fully to such a high calling.

Forgive us, Jesus.

God, you placed us in the world to be its light. But we are often reluctant to let our light shine in the dark places of life that need it the most.

Forgive us, Jesus.

God, you placed us in the world to live in community. But we are often quick to seek our own way rather than walk in solidarity with each other.

Forgive us, Jesus.

****Assurance of Pardon**

****Choral Response, No. 583**

Glory to God

*Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest!
Glory to God, glory to God, alleluia, alleluia!*

Time with Young Christians

Special Music

Prayer of Illumination

First Scripture Lesson: Amos 8:1-12

Found on page 856 in the Old Testament of the pew Bible
Holy Word, Holy Wisdom
Thanks be to God.

Second Scripture Lesson: Luke 10:38-42

Found on page 72 in the New Testament of the pew Bible
Holy Word, Holy Wisdom
Thanks be to God.

Sermon: The Kitchen Saint

****Affirmation of Faith (unison)**

Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations. Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

****Hymn No. 468**

In My Life

Prayers of the People (Minister) and The Lord's Prayer (unison): 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.

Presentation of Ourselves and of our Gifts

Call to Offering

Liturgist

Contributions can be made online at www.fpctullahoma.org

Offertory

Melissa Hinds

****Doxology No. 609**

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures high and low.
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one.
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

****Prayer of Dedication**

Liturgist

****Hymn No. 63**

The Lord Is God

Acolytes take the light out of the service, symbolizing that worshippers are to take the light of Christ into the world where our service begins.

****Charge and Blessing**

****Postlude**

Melissa Hinds

*****All who are able are invited to stand.***

Ministers – Our entire congregation

Stephen G. Yates, Pastor

Melissa Hinds, Guest Musician

Katie Prasser, Minister to Children

Bethany Sterling, Minister to Youth

Robert Wright, Choir Director

Murray Brown, Liturgist

Announcements for July 20, 2025

Sunday, July 20

9:00 The adult Sunday school class that meets in Fellowship Hall is using Adam Hamilton's book *Confronting the Controversies – Biblical Perspectives on Tough Issues*. The topic for today is the discussion of "Creation and Evolution in the Public Schools."

10:30 Worship Service

11:30 Finance Committee meeting in the parlor

Tuesday, July 22

1:00 p.m. Chair yoga

5:30 p.m. Girls Night Out Quilt Guild meeting in Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, July 23

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Kingdom Kids Field Day

Thursday, July 24

2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Thursday Girls meeting in Fellowship Hall

6:00 p.m. Fellowship Dinner at Gondola Restaurant (see blue insert to sign up)

Saturday, July 26

9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Girls Night Out Quilt Guild meeting in Fellowship Hall

Next Sunday, July 27

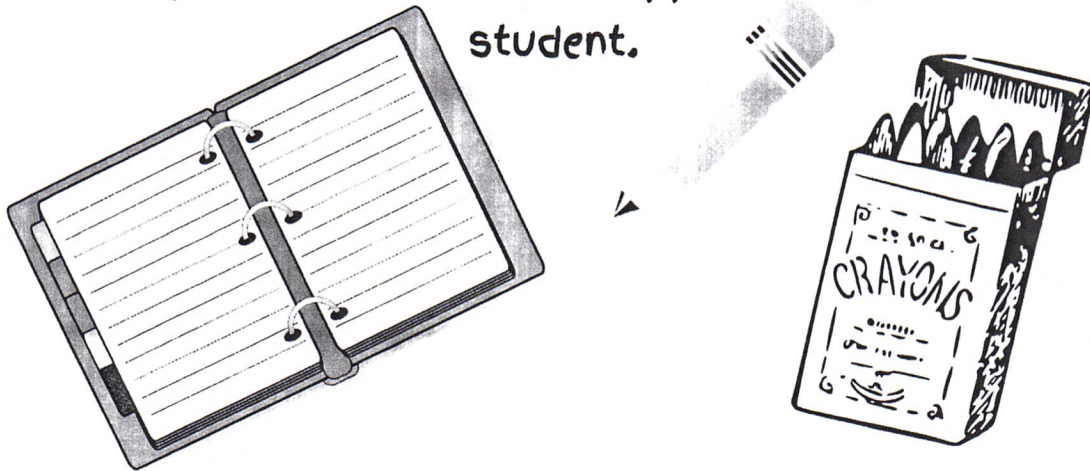
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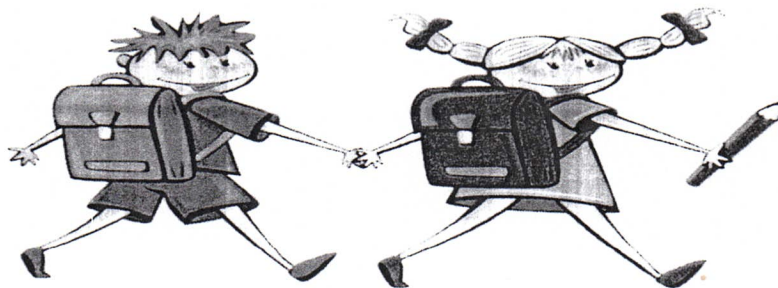
Liturgists needed for Sundays in August. Please sign the list on the lectern in the narthex if you are willing to serve in this capacity.

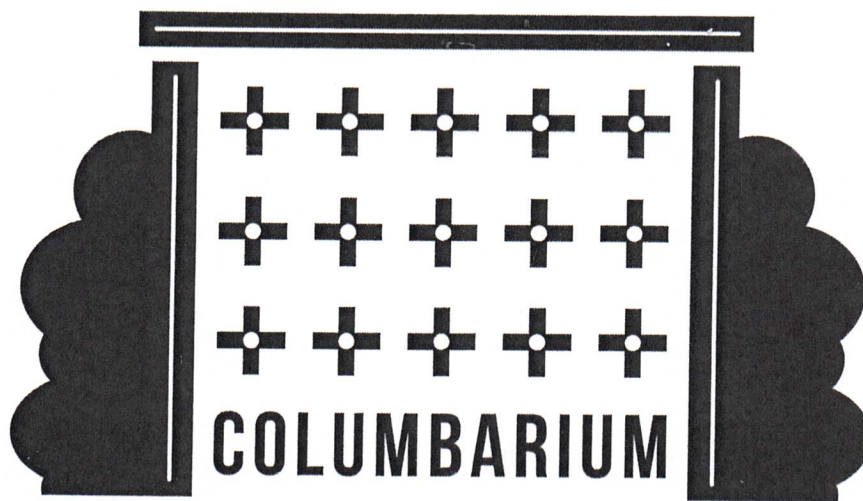
School Supplies Donations

We are asking for monetary donations for us to go and purchase the school supplies list for each student.



Donations can be made online, through the offering plate, dropped off at the office, or cash can be given in person to Katie Prasser, Brad Sturgill, or Bethany Sterling. Please make sure to mark the donation with "School Supplies" when donating online or through the offering plate. Donations need to be made by July 20, 2025, to allow time for purchasing and distributing supplies.





Presbyterians believe that baptism, whether as an infant or an adult, is a life-long journey that culminates in our deaths. After all, Romans 14:8 reminds us that in life and in death, we belong to God.

FPC is investigating the possibility of installing a columbarium in the courtyard using undesignated memorial funds. Interring cremains in a church columbarium allows individuals to remain connected to their faith community after death.

Exact costs are not available at this time; however, we know that purchasing a niche is more affordable than the cost of a traditional casket, headstone, and burial plot. For our purposes today, we are asking you to complete the bottom section of this insert so we can determine the size of initial construction.

Name: _____

- ☐ I am very interested in purchasing a niche
- ☐ I would like to know more
- ☐ I have no interest in a niche at this time

FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP AT GONDOLA RESTAURANT!

The Family Activities and Outreach Committee
invites
the congregation to a time of food and fellowship at
Gondola Restaurant in Tullahoma on
Thursday, July 24, from 6:00 - ?

Gondola has an extensive menu including a wide selection of appetizers and salads, traditional Greek dishes, pasta, pizza, beef, chicken, seafood and sandwiches. The menu can be viewed at www.gondolatullahoma.com. As a reminder, you are responsible for your own food and drink tab.

For planning purposes we would like to know how many will be attending. Please complete the form below and put it in the offering plate or return it to the church office.

See you at Gondola Restaurant!

Name: _____

Number attending: _____