



# *First Presbyterian Church*

*Tullahoma, Tennessee*

17<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost September 15, 2024

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 put it in the offering plate.*

## Prelude

*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

Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.

Worship the Lord with gladness. Come into God's presence with singing!

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

## Invocation

Liturgist

## \*\*Hymn No. 15

*All Creatures of Our God and King*

## \*\*Call to Confession

Liturgist

## \*\*Prayer of Confession (unison)

Led by Liturgist

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your holy name.

## \*\*Choral Confession, No. 551

*Lord, Have Mercy*

*Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.*

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## \*\*Assurance of Pardon

Liturgist

**\*\* *Glory Be to the Father, No. 581***

*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.*

**Story Time with Young Christians**

**Special Music**

**Prayer for Illumination**

**First Lesson: Proverbs 1:20-33**

Found on page 584 in the Old Testament of the pew Bible

Holy Word, Holy Wisdom

**Thanks be to God.**

**Second Lesson: James 3:1-12**

Found on page 230 in the New Testament of the pew Bible

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**Sermon: "Sticks and Stones . . ."**

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

We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus; for we know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to God's purpose. We are convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

**\*\*Hymn No. 375**

*Shall We Gather at the River*

**Minute for Stewardship**

**Prayers of the People (Leader) 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 also be made online at [www.fpctullahoma.org](http://www.fpctullahoma.org)*



Offertory

**\*\*Doxology, No. 607**

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all people here below;  
praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen*

**\*\*Prayer of Dedication**

Liturgist

**\*\*Hymn No. 837**

*What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine*

*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 Benediction**

**\*\*Postlude**

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

Ministers – Our entire congregation  
Stephen G. Yates, Pastor  
David Hiebert, Organist  
Katie Prasser, Minister to Children  
Bethany Sterling, Minister to Youth  
Robert Wright, Choir Director  
Charles Harvey, Liturgist

### **Coffee County One Day of Hope October 26, 2024**

One Day of Hope Coffee County is an ecumenical effort that relies solely on volunteers and the financial support of churches, community organizations and individuals. The annual event is entering its 14<sup>th</sup> year, and this year's event will occur on October 26. Our neighbors in need that attend the event are able to obtain clothes, shoes, groceries and hygiene products; they receive lunch; they are able to receive medical and dental attention; they can get haircuts and family portraits; they can obtain children's books; and they can visit representatives from various groups and organizations to discuss job support and community services.

### **Ways to Support One Day of Hope**

- The primary support mechanism is through donation of new or gently used items. **The Mission Committee will be collecting donations through October 19 in the narthex.** Hygiene items, children's clothing and shoes, winter coats, work shoes and boots, and men's work clothing are the items requested.
- The second way to provide support is through volunteering. **Volunteers are needed at the fairgrounds on October 26, the day of the event.** If interested, there is a volunteer open meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 19, at Manchester First Presbyterian Church.
- Finally, individuals can **donate funds** in support of holding the annual event and serving immediate needs throughout the year. If interested in donating, please reach out to Brad Sturgill or Ray Joellenbeck.

## **Announcements for September 15, 2024**

### **Next Sunday, September 15**

- 9:00 Sunday school
- 10:30 Worship service
- 11:30 Finance Committee meeting in the parlor
- 11:30 Christian Education Committee meeting in Fellowship Hall
- 4:00 p.m. Elder training in Fellowship Hall

### **Monday, September 16**

- 8:30 Learning Place Preschool
- 11:00 Learning Place Preschool Board meeting in the parlor
- 12:00 Worship Committee meeting in Fellowship Hall
- 7:00 p.m. Tullahoma Soccer Association Board meeting in Fellowship Hall

### **Tuesday, September 17**

- 8:30 Learning Place Preschool
- 12:00 p.m. Deadline for articles and information for the *October Newsletter*
- 1:00 p.m. Chair yoga in Williams Family Center

### **Wednesday, September 18**

- 8:30 Learning Place Preschool
- 5:00 – 6:30 p.m. Kingdom Kids for children Pre-K – 5<sup>th</sup> grade
- 5:00 – 6:30 p.m. Presbyterian Youth Connection 1 for middle school students
- 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. Presbyterian Youth Connection 2 for high school students

### **Thursday, September 19**

- 8:30 Learning Place Preschool
- 6:00 p.m. Fellowship Dinner at Daddy Billy's patio (See blue insert to sign-up.)
- 6:30 p.m. One Day of Hope open meeting for volunteers at First Presbyterian Church, Manchester

### **Next Sunday, September 22**

- 9:00 Sunday school
- 10:30 Worship service
- 11:30 Elder training in Fellowship Hall

**FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP AT  
DADDY BILLY'S RESTAURANT!**

The Family Activities and Outreach Committee invitesthe congregation to a  
time of food, fellowship, and fun on the patio at  
Daddy Billy's Restaurant, 119 NW Atlantic Street,  
Tullahoma, TN on  
**Thursday, September 19 from 6:00 - ?**

Daddy Billy's menu offers something for everyone. 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 on Daddy Billy's patio!**

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Number attending: \_\_\_\_\_