

GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Welcome to First Presbyterian Church, Hendersonville. The asterisk (*) invites all who are able to stand. **Bold** designates portion that the congregation reads. There is more information under the section “This Morning.”

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *Toccata on “How Firm a Foundation”* *Craig Phillips*

*CALL TO WORSHIP

The mighty one, God the Lord,
speaks and summons to all the earth.

**From the rising of the sun to its setting
God’s righteousness shines forth.**

Our God comes and does not keep silence
before him is a devouring fire.

**He calls to the heavens above, and to the earth,
that he may judge his people.**

This is the day and the hour of God’s coming
with justice and righteousness, hope and comfort.

**In all places and conditions God is with us;
in grief and sorrow, and in our celebrations.**

***HYMN 411** *How Firm a Foundation*

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being; your face is hidden from us by our sins, and we forget your mercy in the blindness of our hearts. Cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires. With lowliness and meekness may be draw near to you, confessing our faults, confiding in your grace, and finding in you your refuge and strength; through Jesus Christ your Son. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF GOD’S LOVE

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

* **RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS** *Glory Be to the Father*

**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.**

OFFERING OUR LIVES TO GOD

OFFERTORY *Cantabile* *Alexander Guilmant*

*DOXOLOGY

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host:
praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.**

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

SCRIPTURE READING Exodus 23:20-25 p. 61
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM *Amazing Grace* *Jay Althouse*

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 9:28-36 p. 843
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON “The Future’s Unfailing Resource” Richard Roche

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

***HYMN 123** *Fairest Lord Jesus*

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *Apostle’s Creed*

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended to the dead; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE 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.

***HYMN 592** *Lord, You Give the Great Commission*

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

CHORAL RESPONSE

***POSTLUDE** *Chant* *Wilbur Held*

We are delighted you have joined us to worship the Lord Jesus Christ. We hope you are encouraged in your faith and feel at home. Please let us know a bit about you by taking a moment to fill out the Visitors’ portion of the **Attendance Register** in the black folder on the pew. There is an attended nursery for infants and children thru age 2. Restrooms are accessible through the front, right doors and upstairs. If you need directions to the nursery, restrooms, or any other assistance, please ask one of the ushers. If you would like more information on the church, there are brochures in the narthex.

THIS MORNING:

- This week’s liturgist is Steve Martin.
- This week’s acolyte’s are Jenny Sibomana and Emma Wells.
- The flowers are placed in the sanctuary today by Janet Covington in thankfulness to God and in honor and celebration of Ed’s 95th and Drew’s 40th birthdays in January.
- During our worship service, we “Pass the peace,” continuing a tradition that goes back to the origins of the Christian church. Jesus extended peace as a greeting, and the Apostle Paul begins his letters with a prayer for peace. Each week we intentionally wait until after we have acknowledged the gospel of God’s forgiveness to exchange the peace that should naturally result. As we shake hands with (or hug) one another, one person says, “The peace of Christ be with you,” and the other responds, “And also with you.” Extending the peace of Christ to one another symbolizes our unity amidst a world of divisions.
- Audio Sermons are now available on the church website! Visit www.hendersonvillefpc.org. They are located on the front page of the website under Pastor’s Weekly Message.
- This week’s nursery volunteer is: Diann Hall. Next Week: Linda Ballenger.
- Church Lock-up Schedule – This Week: Richard Roche. Next Week: J.T. Thompson.
- Statistics for January 5, 2020
 - Attendance – 115

WE ASK FOR PRAYERS FOR THESE CONTINUED CONCERNS: Bob Andrews, Meara Edrington, Erika & Ray Hauer, Janet Edrington, Karen Scott, Bloma Hale, Burneice Witt, Hoyt Brindle, Debbie Brooks, Amy Emberton, Tim, Christina, Owen, Dottie & Daisy Deaux, John W., Betty Russell, Rachel Ballenger, Edwards Family, Mary Lou Settle and the Family of Sue Arntsten.

AND FOR THESE NEW CONCERNS: Chander Henn.

AND FOR THESE MEN AND WOMEN IN THE MILITARY: Kevin Stepp, Duane Farnham, Jr. (Paulette's son), Joseph Elkins (Tonya Elkins brother), A.J. Morris (Brenda DePriest's grandson), James Hawthorne (son of Blake Hawthorne), Sole Aléxovich (Brooks Family), Joseph Elkins, Daniel Grindstaff (Carol Thompson's grandson), and Garrett Mason (great nephew of Bob & Jane Marshall).

Opportunities to Serve: Would you like to participate on the liturgy, greeter, or usher team? If so, please call the church office. Pastor Michael will provide liturgy training in the next several weeks.

Annual Congregational Meeting: The Session has called a Congregational Meeting for Sunday, January 19th immediately following worship to change the Pastor's call (cost of living raise); approve the Elder Nominating Committee, share the 2020 budget, and conduct business for the corporation. It will be followed by lunch in Martin Hall.

Meal following Congregational Meeting on January 19th:
We will be providing Lasagnas, bread, and drinks. We are asking for the congregation to bring veggie casserole, salad, or desserts. Please let us know if you are coming so we may plan to have enough lasagna!

- A – H: Casserole or Side Sish
- I – R: Salad
- S – Z: Dessert

------(Tear Off)-----

We will be attending the Fellowship Meal on January 19th!

Name: _____

Number Attending: _____

We will bring: _____

THIS WEEK AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, January 12

- 7:00 a.m. Room in the Inn
- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:00 a.m. Worship
- 11:00 a.m. Handbell Choir Rehearsal
- 11:00 a.m. Cong. Care Meeting
- 11:00 a.m. Connection Groups Begin

Monday, January 13

- 10:00 a.m. Crochet Group
- 6:30 p.m. Book Club
- 7:00 p.m. Gifts & Giving Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. NA Meeting in MH

Tuesday, December 14

- 10:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study – Lesson 4
- 11:00 a.m. Staff Meeting
- 6:00 p.m. Life Issues Support Group
- 7:00 p.m. Praise Band Rehearsal

Wednesday, December 15

- 7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study
- 5:00 p.m. Sudanese After School Program
- 7:00 p.m. Budget & Finance Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. Adult Choir
- 7:00 p.m. NA Meeting in MH
- 7:00 p.m. Window Deadline

Friday, December 17

- 7:30 p.m. NA Meeting in MH

Sunday, December 19

- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:00 a.m. Worship
- 11:00 a.m. Handbell Choir Rehearsal
- 11:00 a.m. Annual Congregational Meeting – Meal to follow
- 11:00 a.m. Session Retreat

Sunshine Ministry: Another year in the books! As a child I couldn't fathom the year 2000, and here we've made it to 2020! We hope you'll start out the year by joining some of your friends at the Sunshine Ministry gatherings. The third Tuesday in January is the 21st. We'll meet at 10:30 a.m. in Martin Hall. This month we have the honor of having author Jack Benz providing the program. He will speak about his book, From Salem to Nashville-Old Glory. Jack and his wife, Naroma, will join us for lunch at Safari's. *"If you eat cake fast enough, your Fitbit will think you're exercising."*

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*Responding to God's love and grace,
our vision is to serve Christ through service to others*



Sunday, January 12, 2020

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