

Organized 1824

A Presbyterian Church in America Congregation

We are delighted that you are worshipping with us and invite you to do so regularly. First Presbyterian Church was organized in Tuscumbia, Alabama, in 1824. The sanctuary was built in 1827 and has been used continually since then.

We invite all who trust in Jesus Christ to become members of First Presbyterian Church. You may join the church by profession or reaffirmation of saving faith in Jesus Christ or by transfer of membership from any evangelical church. If you desire to join the church, need spiritual counsel or pastoral services, please speak to our pastor or one of our elders (listed on back). The purpose of First Presbyterian Church in Tuscumbia is to teach and preach the infallible, inerrant Word of God; to share the gift of salvation with our community, our nation, and our world; to nurture our relationships with Christ and each other; and to glorify God in our worship, in our service to others, and in all we do.

## LORD'S DAY MORNING WORSHIP

September 24, 2023

Nine Thirty AM

Tuscumbia, Alabama

(Please turn off all electronic devices)

When you enter into the doors of the sanctuary, <u>silently</u> prepare to meet the triune God. Focus on **God's attribute of omniscience** as you prepare to worship.

(Read Psalm 139 to meditate on this attribute.)

THE PRELUDE Brian Beck

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Church Choir

\*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 124, 147

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the LORD, **People:** Who made heaven and earth.

Pastor: Praise the LORD! For it is good to sing praises to our God; **People:** For it is pleasant, and a song of praise is fitting.

Pastor: He heals the brokenhearted **People:** And binds up their wounds.

Pastor: *Great is our Lord, and abundant in power;* **People:** *His understanding is beyond measure.* 

\*THE PSALM OF PRAISE

"Come, Let Us Sing unto the Lord"

No. 16

## \*THE PRAYER OF ADORATION

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, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

# THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

Daniel 9

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

## THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Isaiah 53:6

All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

# THE CONFESSION OF FAITH

The Apostles' 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 into hell; 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.

## THE OFFERING

## \*THE DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

## \*THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

\*THE SONG OF PRAISE TO CHRIST "Jesus Paid It All" No. 308

## THE PASTORAL PRAYER

THE READING OF THE SCRIPTURE 1 John 1:5—2:6

Pastor: This is the Word of God People: Thanks be to God!

THE PREACHING OF GOD'S WORD "Fellowship With God" Drew Tunnell

\*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE "Man of Sorrows! What a Name" No. 246

\*THE BENEDICTION

# LORD'S DAY EVENING WORSHIP

September 24, 2023

Six PM

Tuscumbia, Alabama

(Please turn off all electronic devices)

When you enter into the doors of the sanctuary, silently prepare to meet the triune God.

THE PRELUDE Brian Beck

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*THE CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 124, 119

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the LORD, **People:** Who made heaven and earth.

Pastor: Forever, O Lord, your word is firmly fixed in the heavens.

People: Your faithfulness endures to all generations.

\*THE EVENING PSALM "All You That Fear Jehovah's Name" No. 9

THE PRAYER OF PRAISE AND CONFESSION

THE OFFERING

\*THE DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; Alleluia, Alleluia Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost O praise Him, O praise Him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

\*THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

THE EVENING SONGS

THE EVENING PRAYER

THE READING OF THE SCRIPTURE Psalm 119:25-32

Pastor: This is the Word of God. **People:** Thanks be to God!

THE SERMON "Dusting Off With God's Word" Dr. Gary Nantt

THE HYMN OF RESPONSE "To You, O Lord, I Fly" No. 692

\*THE BENEDICTION

\*Congregation Standing

# **SERMON NOTES**

AM	1 Service		"Fellowship With God" 1 John 1:5—2:6 (1 John #2)	
I.	Fellowship with God b	egins with a	of God's	
II.	And fellowship with God changes how we			
III.	But fellowship with Go	od can only happen through _		
PM	Service	"Dusting Off With God's Psalm 119:25-32 (The ABC's of Psa		Dr. Gary Nantt
I.	My soul clings to the _			
II.	I		with God.	
III.	God	me to _		<del>-</del>

# ANNOUNCEMENTS THIS WEEK'S VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE:

Pastor Thompson is not here today.

WIC COUNCIL MEETING will be next Sunday (Oct. 1) at 5:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

**WED. NIGHT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** to help with **crafts** for Catechism classes. There is a schedule in the Annex to sign up for specific dates.

**FALL FESTIVAL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** Our annual Fall Festival will be Wednesday evening, October 25. If you can help, please sign the sheet on the Annex table.

**CHILI NEEDED**: We need chili, crackers, cornbread, and desserts for the Fall Festival. The chili supper will be at 5:30pm that evening (Oct. 25). There is a sign-up sheet on the Annex table.

**NOMINATIONS FOR THE OFFICE OF ELDER** will be taken through Sept. 27<sup>th</sup>. Please be in prayer during this period for those men you feel led to nominate. The qualifications for elders are listed on the blue nomination slips, which are located on the Annex table. You may turn them in to Pastor Thompson, Wes Marchman, or the church office.

**FALL BIBLE CONFERENCE** will be October 28 and 29! We will have Dr. Richard Belcher of Reformed Theological Seminary in Charlotte with us. We will have a session on Saturday as well as all day Sunday. Mark your calendars!

# THIS WEEK! MEAL & MISSIONS NIGHT

Wednesday, Sept. 27 at 5:30pm in the Fellowship Hall

Elder Bret Waldrep will be sharing about Covenant Christian School.

Please sign up in the Annex.

# SAVE THE DATE!

200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

April 20-21, 2024

Saturday: Brunch and Sharing Memories

Sunday: Special Morning Service, Hymn Sing, and Dinner on the Grounds

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More details to come!



We are gathering musical information about our church from years past. There is a sheet on the Annex table, where you are invited to write down any and all **choir members** whom you remember being part of our choir. Thank you for your help!

- Adina

Next Sunday (Oct. 1), immediately following Sunday School, we will have our monthly fellowship meal.

If your Last name begins with A-H, bring a <u>side dish</u>,
If your last name begins with I-P, bring a <u>dessert</u>,
If your last name begins with Q-Z, bring a main dish.

## REGULARLY SCHEDULED SERVICES:

**Sunday** 9:00 am Men's Prayer, Men's Classroom

Women's Prayer, Carrie Belle Johnson Room

9:30 am Morning Worship, Sanctuary

10:45 am Sunday School

6:00 pm Evening Worship, Sanctuary

**Wednesday** 6:00 pm Prayer service, Youth and Children's Activities

## PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND RECOVERING IN OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Juanita Bailey Kristy Blackburn Janie Craigge The Jollys Hanna Ruggles Doris Talley Betty Yates Jimmy Barnett Susan Bolton Mary Cait Finch Elaine Kelsoe Corky & Terri Snipes

Keller Thompson

Margie Beck Alton Bynum Bob Head Elizabeth Patton Dinie Stone Bill Webb Ann Bennett Lee Campbell The Hollands The Ritchey family Jan Stubblefield Pam Wilson

## **COMMUNION SCHEDULE 2023**

OCT 8, NOV 5, DEC 3

#### **NEXT WEEK'S VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE**

## CHURCH DIRECTORY

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#### **STAFF**

Drew Tunnell, Youth & Children Director / Pastoral Intern Randy E. Thompson, Pastor Gary Nantt, Pastoral Assistant Jennifer Richardson, Church and Financial Secretary Dinie Stone, Director of Music Thomas Jones, Sexton Brian Beck, Organist

## **SESSION**

Class of 2027: Al Willis, Lee Hudson, Hal Hughston, Jr. Emeritus Elders Ron Hudson, Bill Lacey Class of 2025: Tommy Crosslin, Wes Marchman, Stated Clerk John Waggoner, Bret Waldrep John Jolly, M.B. Myers

Class of 2023: Rusty Trapp

## DIACONATE

Class of 2028: Adam Isbell, Russ Tate, Jason Tucker Emeritus Deacons Wyatt Simpson Class of 2026: Beau Cooper, Jameson Hughston John Crabtree, Andy Thompson, Gordon Ruggles, Chairman Class of 2024:

# **WIC COUNCIL**

Adina Stone, President Reba Griffith, Missions Stephanie Isbell, Vice President Nancy Ruggles, Christian Growth Elizabeth Marchman, Secretary Erica Tucker, Nursery Chairman Emma Tunnell, Treasurer Sarah Cooper, Historian

Lynne Crabtree, Circle I Chrm. Susanne Wadsworth, Circle II Chrm. Bethany Waggoner, Circle III Chrm.

## **NATIONAL & LOCAL MINISTRIES**

Providence Presbytery All Saints Reformed Church, Utah

Colbert Caring Center Reformed Theological Seminary Scottsboro Church Plant of Providence Presbytery

Common Ground Shoals Shoals Sav-A-Life

Consulting Service Foundation, Bebo Elkin

Covenant Christian School RUF: Alabama A&M University, Marcus Nobles

French Camp Academy RUF: Auburn University, Tanner Crum RUF: University of Alabama, Stewart Swain Gideons International

Indiana University campus ministry, Faith Linton RUF: Washington University in St. Louis, Kristen Thompson

Mission to North America

## INTERNATIONAL MISSIONARIES

Rev. & Mrs. Richard Bailey, Australia Mr. & Mrs. Mike Sabin, Trans World Radio Rev. & Mrs. Joel Linton, Taiwan Mr. & Mrs. Craig Gahagen, Peru Rev. & Mrs. Rob Ilderton, England Rev. & Mrs. Atanasov, Parvomai, Bulgaria Rev. & Mrs. Verne Marshall, Chile Mr. and Mrs. Ben Cohen, Globeworks

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