

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

April 28, 2024

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 compassion** as you prepare to worship.

(Read Lamentations 3: 19-24 to meditate on this attribute.)

THE PRELUDE Church Choir

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Church Choir

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 124, 103

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

Pastor: Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me,

People: Bless his holy name!
Pastor: Bless the LORD, O my soul,
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People: And forget not all his benefits, Pastor: Who redeems your life from the pit,

People: Who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy.

*THE PSALM OF PRAISE

"Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"

No. 76

*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

Psalm 112

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.

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Psalm 130:3-4

If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand? But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared.

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 THANKSGIVING

"Before the Throne"

Before the throne of God above, I have a strong, a perfect plea, a great High Priest whose name is "Love," who ever lives and pleads for me. My name is graven on His hands, my name is written on His heart; I know that while in heav'n He stands. No tongue can bid me thence depart.

No tongue can bid me thence depart.

Behold Him there the risen Lamb, my perfect spotless righteousness.

The great unchangeable "I Am." The King of glory and of grace.

One with Himself I cannot die. My soul is purchased by His blood,

My life is hid with Christ on high. With Christ my Savior and my God!

With Christ my Savior and my God!

THE RECOGNITION OF SENIORS

THE PASTORAL PRAYER

THE READING OF THE SCRIPTURE

1 Corinthians 16:1-4

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

THE PREACHING OF GOD'S WORD

"We Are a People"

Dr. Randy Thompson

*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE

"We Are God's People"

No. 355

*THE BENEDICTION

LORD'S DAY EVENING WORSHIP

April 28, 2024 Six PM Tuscumbia, Alabama

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THE PRELUDE Brian Beck

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 124, 92

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the LORD, **People:** Who made heaven and earth. Pastor: It is good to give thanks to the LORD,

People: *To sing praises to your name, O Most High;* Pastor: *To declare your steadfast love in the morning,*

People: And your faithfulness by night.

*THE EVENING PSALM "O God, We Praise Thee" No. 105

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

*THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

THE EVENING SONGS

THE EVENING PRAYER

THE READING OF THE SCRIPTURE 2 Samuel 24

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

THE SERMON "Wrath and Mercy" Drew Tunnell

*THE SONG OF RESPONSE "Take My Life and Let it Be" No. 585

*THE BENEDICTION

*Congregation Standing

SERMON NOTES

AM Service

"We Are a People" 1 Corinthians 16:1-4 (1 Corinthians #39)

Dr. Randy Thompson

I.				·
II.				
III.				
F	^P M Service	"Wrath and Mercy" 2 Samuel 24 (Life of David #41)		Drew Tunnell
I.	God is a God of			
II.	But God is also a God of _			·
III.	Which is why we must live	a life of	_ and	

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

THIS WEEK'S VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE:

SUN 4/28

THE FLOWERS today are dedicated to the glory of God and in loving memory of *Dexter and Mary Jane Dean* by their daughters, Patricia Dean, Mary Ann Whitlock, and Jane Morton and their families.

"FIRST THINGS" CLASS: The First Things Class <u>will</u> meet today. Dr. Thompson holds the class upstairs in the education wing. This class is for learning more about First Presbyterian. All are welcome!

THE LORD'S SUPPER will be served in **next** Sunday's morning service. Please prepare for this sacred time by prayer and meditation in the days leading up to it.

NEXT SUNDAY (MAY 5): The Session is calling a congregational meeting directly after the worship service in the sanctuary next week. The meeting is to approve the requested resignation (retirement) of Pastor Thompson.

WIC COUNCIL will meet next Sunday (May 5) at 5:00pm.

LADIES: The brief meeting that was scheduled for after the morning service on May 5 has been postponed for a later date (tbd).



High School Graduates will be honored **today** during the morning worship service. There will be a special Sunday School hour in the Sanctuary, followed by a luncheon for the graduates and their families in the Fellowship Hall. Our graduates this year are Lily James and Sam Reed.

NEXT Sunday,
immediately following
Sunday School,
we will have our
monthly fellowship meal.

If your last name begins with A-M, bring a <u>side dish AND a dessert</u>,

If your last name begins with N-Z,
bring a main dish.



VBS will be June 3-7!

Child and Volunteer registration is now open!



You can register by filling out a form on the Annex table, or at tuscumbiapres.com.

The Bicentennial Committee would like to thank the entire congregation for the success of our 200th Anniversary Celebration. The Lord continues to bless First Presbyterian Church in so many ways, and this was a wonderful example. To Him be all the glory.

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, STRUGGLING, AND RECOVERING IN OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Jimmy Barnett	Margie Beck	Ann Bennett	Kristy Blackburn
Susan Bolton	Sherry Campbell	Janie Craigge	Gary Evans
Mary Cait Finch	Sandy Finch	Bob and Sharyn Head	The Hollands
Jean Hudson	Ginger Jolly	Tom Keller	Elaine Kelsoe
Sara Melton	Suzanne Parker	Hanna Ruggles	Chip Simpson
Corky & Terri Snipes	Bill Stackhouse	Dinie Stone	Jan Stubblefield
Doris Talley	Pam Wilson	Betty Yates	

COMMUNION SCHEDULE 2024

MAY 5, JUN 2, JUL 7, AUG 4, SEP 1, OCT 6, NOV 3, DEC 1

NEXT WEEK'S VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

SUN 5/5	Nurserv am	Barbara Collins, Cynthia Hughston
.,.		Bethany Waggoner
		Grady & Edna Hensley
		Team 2
		Debra Kilpatrick

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STAFF

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

SESSION

Class of 2029: Jimmy Hughston, Jameson Hughston
Class of 2027: Al Willis, Lee Hudson, Hal Hughston, Jr.
Class of 2025: Tommy Crosslin, Wes Marchman, Stated Clerk

Emeritus Elders
Ron Hudson, Bill Lacey,
M.B. Myers

John Waggoner, Bret Waldrep

DIACONATE

Class of 2028: Adam Isbell, Russ Tate, Jason Tucker

Emeritus Deacons
Wyatt Simpson

Class of 2026: Beau Cooper Class of 2024: John Crabtree

John Crabtree, Andy Thompson, Gordon Ruggles, Chairman

WIC COUNCIL

Adina Stone, *President* Stephanie Isbell, *Vice President* Barbara Collins, *Secretary* Emma Tunnell, *Treasurer* Reba Griffith, Missions Nancy Ruggles, Christian Growth Erica Tucker, Nursery Chairman

Gail Hughston, Circle I Chrm. Susanne Wadsworth, Circle II Chrm. Bethany Waggoner, Circle III Chrm.

Sarah Cooper & Rebecca Hovater, Historians

NATIONAL & LOCAL MINISTRIES

All Saints Reformed Church, Utah

Colbert Caring Center

Common Ground Shoals

Consulting Service Foundation, Bebo Elkin

Covenant Christian School French Camp Academy

Gideons International Good Shepherd Presbyterian church plant

Mission to North America

Providence Presbytery

Reformed Theological Seminary

Scottsboro Church Plant of Providence Presbytery

Shoals Sav-A-Life

RUF: Alabama A&M University, Marcus Nobles

RUF: Auburn University, Tanner Crum

RUF: University of Alabama, Stewart Swain

INTERNATIONAL MISSIONARIES

Rev. & Mrs. Richard Bailey, *Australia* Rev. & Mrs. Joel Linton, *Taiwan*

Rev. & Mrs. Rob Ilderton, England

Rev. & Mrs. Verne Marshall, Chile

Mr. & Mrs. Mike Sabin, Trans World Radio

Mr. & Mrs. Craig Gahagen, *Peru* Rev. & Mrs. Atanasov, *Parvomai, Bulgaria*

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Cohen, Globeworks

MTW Enterprise, Belgium Third Millennium Ministries

Mr. Danny Lynch, International