



# First Presbyterian Church *of Tuscumbia, Alabama*

*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

July 7, 2024

Nine Thirty AM

Tuscumbia, Alabama

*(Please turn off all electronic devices)*

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

*Focus on **God's 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 124,150

Pastor: *Our help is in the name of the LORD,*

**People: *Who made heaven and earth.***

Pastor: *Praise the LORD! Praise God in His sanctuary;*

**People: *Praise Him in His mighty heavens!***

Pastor: *Let everything that has breath praise the LORD!*

**People: *Praise the LORD!***

\*THE HYMN OF PRAISE

“Before Jehovah’s Awesome Throne”

No. 65

\*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

Isaiah 57

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

*Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our fellow men, in thought and word and deed, in the evil we have done and in the good we have not done, through ignorance, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may serve You in newness of life to the glory of Your Name. Amen.*

\*Congregation Standing

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Acts 10:43

*To Him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in Him receives forgiveness of sins through His name.*

THE CONFESSION OF FAITH

Heidelberg Catechism #1

*Q. What is your only comfort in life and death?*

*A. That I am not my own, but belong with body and soul, both in life and in death, to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from all the power of the devil. He also preserves me in such a way that without the will of my heavenly Father not a hair can fall from my head; indeed all things must work together for my salvation. Therefore, by his Holy Spirit he also assures me of eternal life and makes me heartily willing and ready from now on to live for him.*

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

*"I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art"*

No. 168

THE PASTORAL PRAYER

THE READING OF THE SCRIPTURE

1 John 3:19-24

*Pastor: This is the Word of God*

**People: Thanks be to God!**

THE PREACHING OF GOD'S WORD

*"How to Have Assurance"*

Drew Tunnell

\*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE

*"My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"*

No. 521

\*THE BENEDICTION

# LORD'S DAY EVENING WORSHIP

July 7, 2024

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, 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

*"All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above"*

No. 4

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 GENERAL ASSEMBLY REPORT

THE EVENING PRAYER

THE READING OF THE SCRIPTURE

Revelation 2:12-17

Pastor: *This is the Word of God.*

**People: *Thanks be to God!***

THE SERMON

*"Courage to Fight"*

Drew Tunnell

\*THE SONG OF RESPONSE

*"The Church's One Foundation"*

No. 347

\*THE BENEDICTION

\*Congregation Standing

## SERMON NOTES

AM Service

“How to Have Assurance”  
1 John 3:19-24 (John’s Epistles #9)

Drew Tunnell

1. \_\_\_\_\_ is a problem for many Christians.
2. But assurance comes from God’s \_\_\_\_\_ of us.
3. And assurance comes from God’s \_\_\_\_\_ within us.

PM Service

“Courage to Fight”  
Revelation 2:12-17 (Letters to Seven Churches #3)

Drew Tunnell

1. We must have the courage to fight sin \_\_\_\_\_.
2. But we must also have the courage to fight sin \_\_\_\_\_
3. And the courage to fight only comes by \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS: THIS WEEK'S VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE:

<b>SUN 7/7</b>	Nursery am. Daren Willis, Erica Tucker	
	Nursery pm.....	Martha Black
	Greeter.....	Grady & Edna Hensley
	Security.....	Team 3
	Youth SS 2nd adult.....	Al Willis

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**SUNDAY SCHOOL ELECTIVE CLASSES:** In June through August we will have Sunday School electives for the adults:

- Acts, a Study in the Growth of the Church (Traveler's classroom, led by Lee Hudson)
- Evangelism for the Rest of Us: How even the most timid can reach out to others  
Men's Classroom, led by Jimmy Hughston
- How People Change: How Christ changes us by His Grace (Sanctuary, led by Bret Waldrep)

**CHURCH SECRETARY:** We are in the process of hiring a new church secretary. We are looking for a Christian who is not a member of our church for this role. If you know someone who might be interested, please refer them to the church office to complete an application.

**CHOIR PRACTICE** is on Sunday evenings from 7:00-8:00pm in the choir room (upstairs). We would love to have anyone who loves to sing join us.

**THE LORD'S SUPPER** will be served next Sunday July 14th in morning worship service. Begin now to prepare your hearts to meet with the Lord in this remembrance of Christ's death for our sins. The Presbyterian Church in America invites all those who profess true religion and are communicants in good standing in any evangelical church to participate in the ordinance.

**TONIGHT** before the sermon, Hal Hughston, Jr. will give a brief General Assembly report.


### YOUTH MINISTRY

Friday, July 12th 5:00 pm Isbell's house  
420 Bradley Court, Tuscumbia



### PARTY

Food provided



ON THE 14TH OF JULY,

immediately following Sunday School,

we will have our monthly fellowship meal.

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

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

The flowers today are to the glory of God in loving memory of Frank B. Stone, Jr. on the occasion of his July birthday. He loved and served this church faithfully as deacon, choir member, and Sunday school teacher for many decades.

**WIC COUNCIL will not meet this month.**

**WIC CIRCLE MEETINGS** schedule:

Circle 1: Will not meet this month.

Circle 2: Will not meet this month.

Circle 3: Monday, July 8 at 6:00pm

**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

Pray for our expectant mothers and babies: Emma Tunnell and Megan Stein.

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK, STRUGGLING, AND RECOVERING IN OUR CHURCH FAMILY**

Jimmy Barnett	Margie Beck	Ann Bennett	Susan Bolton
Sherry Campbell	Janie Craigge	Mary Cait Finch	Bob Head
The Hollands	Ginger Jolly	Beth Keller	Elaine Kelsoe
Sara Melton	Hanna Ruggles	Chip Simpson	Terri Snipes
Bill Stackhouse	Dinie Stone	Jan Stubblefield	Doris Talley
Keller Thompson	Pam Wilson	Betty Yates	

**COMMUNION SCHEDULE 2024**

JUL 14 AUG 4, SEP 1, OCT 6, NOV 3, DEC 1

**NEXT WEEK’S VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE**

**SUN 7/14** Nursery am ..... Nancy Bishop, Leslie Reed  
 Nursery pm..... Cheryl Waggoner  
 Greeter..... Buddy Whitlock, Jameson Hughston  
 Security..... Team 4  
 Youth SS 2nd adult..... Russ Tate

## CHURCH DIRECTORY

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Office hours: Monday through Friday, 8am to 3pm (closed from noon to 1 for lunch)

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### STAFF

Gary Nantt, Pastoral Assistant

Drew Tunnell, Youth & Children Director / Pastoral Intern

Dinie Stone, Director of Music

Jennifer Richardson, Bookkeeper

Brian Beck, Organist

Thomas Jones, Sexton

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### SESSION

Class of 2029: Jimmy Hughston, Jameson Hughston

*Emeritus Elders*

Class of 2027: Al Willis, Lee Hudson, Hal Hughston, Jr.

Ron Hudson, Bill Lacey,

Class of 2025: Tommy Crosslin, Wes Marchman, *Stated Clerk*

M.B. Myers

John Waggoner, Bret Waldrep

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### DIACONATE

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

*Emeritus Deacons*

Class of 2026: Beau Cooper

Wyatt Simpson

Class of 2024: John Crabtree, Andy Thompson, Gordon Ruggles, *Chairman*

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### WIC COUNCIL

Adina Stone, *President*

Reba Griffith, *Missions*

Gail Hughston, *Circle I Chrm.*

Stephanie Isbell, *Vice President*

Nancy Ruggles, *Christian Growth*

Susanne Wadsworth, *Circle II Chrm.*

Barbara Collins, *Secretary*

Erica Tucker, *Nursery Chairman*

Bethany Waggoner, *Circle III Chrm.*

Emma Tunnell, *Treasurer*

Sarah Cooper & Rebecca Hovater, *Historians*

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### NATIONAL & LOCAL MINISTRIES

All Saints Reformed Church, Utah

Providence Presbytery

Colbert Caring Center

Reformed Theological Seminary

Common Ground Shoals

Scottsboro Church Plant of Providence Presbytery

Consulting Service Foundation, Bebo Elkin

Shoals Sav-A-Life

Covenant Christian School

**RUF:** Alabama A&M University, *Marcus Nobles*

French Camp Academy

**RUF:** Auburn University, *Tanner Crum*

Gideons International

**RUF:** University of Alabama, *Stewart Swain*

Good Shepherd Presbyterian church plant

Mission to North America

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### INTERNATIONAL MISSIONARIES

Rev. & Mrs. Richard Bailey, *Australia*

Mr. & Mrs. Mike Sabin, *Trans World Radio*

MTW Enterprise, *Belgium*

Rev. & Mrs. Joel Linton, *Taiwan*

Mr. & Mrs. Craig Gahagen, *Peru*

Third Millennium Ministries

Rev. & Mrs. Rob Ilderton, *England*

Rev. & Mrs. Atanasov, *Parvomai, Bulgaria*

Mr. Danny Lynch, *International*

Rev. & Mrs. Verne Marshall, *Chile*

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Cohen, *Globeworks*