



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

September 1, 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 Compassion** as you prepare to worship.*

(Read Psalm 103 to meditate on this attribute.)

THE PRELUDE

Brian Beck

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Church Choir

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 124, **96**

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

People: Who made heaven and earth.

Pastor: *Oh sing to the LORD a new song;*

People: Sing to the LORD all the earth!

Pastor: *Sing to the LORD, bless His name;*

People: Tell of His salvation from day to day.

*THE HYMN 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, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 116

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

O LORD, remember your great mercy and love, for they are from of old. Remember not the sins of our youth and our rebellious ways; according to your love remember us, for you are good. For the sake of your name, O LORD, forgive our iniquity, though it is great. Turn to us and be gracious to us, for we are afflicted by our sin. Look upon our affliction and our distress and take away all our sins. Amen.

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 Q1

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 Saviour 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

“Jesus, Lover of My Soul”

No. 508

THE PASTORAL PRAYER

THE READING OF THE SCRIPTURE

Matthew 18:21-35

Pastor: This is the Word of God

People: Thanks be to God!

THE PREACHING OF GOD’S WORD

“Forgiven, Forgiving”

Dr. John Wingard

*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE

“Have Thine Own Way, Lord”

No. 688

*THE BENEDICTION

LORD'S DAY EVENING WORSHIP

September 1, 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, 135

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

People: *Who made heaven and earth.*

Pastor: *Praise the LORD! Praise the name of the LORD!*

People: *Praise Him, O servants of the LORD.*

Pastor: *Praise the LORD, for the LORD is good;*

People: *Sing praises to His name, for it is lovely.*

*THE EVENING PSALM

"Give to Our God Immortal Praise"

No. 3

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 119:121-128

Pastor: *This is the Word of God.*

People: *Thanks be to God!*

THE SERMON

"Pledge of God's Word"

Dr. Gary Nantt

*THE SONG OF RESPONSE

"Lord, I Lift My Soul to Thee"

No. 694

*THE BENEDICTION

*Congregation Standing

SERMON NOTES

AM Service

“Forgiven, Forgiving”
Matthew 18:21-35

Dr. John Wingard

1. An Unlimited Duty (vv. 21-22)
2. An Unfathomable Mercy (vv. 23-27)
3. An Unrepentant Response (vv. 29-30)
4. An Unending Judgment (vv. 31-34)
5. An Unbreakable Linkage (v. 35)

PM Service

“Pledge of God’s Word”
Psalm 119:121-128 (*ABC’s of God’s Word #16*)

Dr. Gary Nantt

1. God gives His_____.
2. God’s pledge is His_____.
3. God’s pledge_____me.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: THIS WEEK'S VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE:

SUN 9/1	Nursery am	Kathleen Hughston, Debra Kilpatrick
	Nursery pm.....	Gail Hughston
	Greeter.....	Grady & Edna Hensley
	Security.....	Team 3
	Youth SS 2nd adult.....	Al Willis

FILLING THE PULPIT TODAY is Dr. John Wingard. He is a professor at Covenant College and family member of Lee and Ron Hudson.

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 after Sunday School we will have our monthly fellowship meal together. If your name begins with A-M bring a side dish and a dessert. If your name begins with N-Z bring a main dish.

IF YOU ARE A MEMBER of First Presbyterian Church and a parent with children who attend Covenant Christian School, please complete the form in the Annex to be eligible for the church member tuition discount.

A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING will be held today immediately after the morning worship service for the purpose of voting on our pastoral candidate, Dr. Jeff Hamm. All church members are urged to attend.

THE WIC SALAD SUPPER will be September 9th at 6:30 pm in the fellowship hall. There is a sign up sheet on the table in the annex. Please sign up to bring your favorite salad and join us for the fun and fellowship.

CHILD PROTECTION CLASS: Anyone who works with children from birth to 19 in the church must take the Child Protection Class. If you want to work with the children of the Church and have not had the class, sign up for this class on the sign-up sheet on the table in the Annex.

WIC COUNCIL will meet next Sunday at 5pm in the Fellowship Hall.

YOUTH ACTIVITY CALENDARS for September through December are on the annex table.

DEACON NOMINATION FORMS are on the annex table. Please prayerfully consider those you would nominate. Nominations will be taken through the end of September.

Sara Melton wants to thank everyone for the visits, the flowers, and the prayers. It is so much appreciated!

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 & 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
Mel Mahan	Sara Melton	Hanna Ruggles	Chip Simpson
Terri Snipes	Bill Stackhouse	Dinie Stone	Jan Stubblefield
Doris Talley	Pam Wilson	Keller Thompson	Pam Wilson
Betty Yates			

COMMUNION SCHEDULE 2024

SEP 8, OCT 6, NOV 3, DEC 1

NEXT WEEK’S VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

SUN 9/8 Nursery am Allyson Johnson, Kim Norris
 Nursery pm..... Gordon Ruggles
 Greeter..... Buddy Whitlock, Jameson Hughston
 Security..... Team 4
 Youth SS 2nd adult.....Russ Tate

CHURCH DIRECTORY

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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

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

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*

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*

Mary Brooker, *Nursery Chairman*

Bethany Waggoner, *Circle III Chrm.*

Emma Tunnell, *Treasurer*

Sarah Cooper & Rebecca Hovater, *Historians*

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

INTERNATIONAL MISSIONARIES

Rev. & Mrs. Richard Bailey, *Australia*

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

MTW Enterprise, Europe

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*