

First Presbyterian Church of Tuscumbia

Established 1824



“To Glorify God, and to Enjoy Him Forever”

LORD'S DAY MORNING WORSHIP

December 1, 2024

Nine-Thirty A.M.

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

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Church Choir

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Micah 5:1-2

Pastor: *“Now muster yourselves in troops, daughter of troops;*

People: ***They have laid siege against us;***

Pastor: *With a rod they will strike the judge of Israel on the cheek.*

People: ***But as for you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, too little to be among the clans of Judah.***

Pastor: *From you One will come forth for Me to be ruler in Israel.*

People: ***His times of coming forth are from long ago, from the days of eternity,”***

THE INVOCATION

*THE HYMN OF PRAISE

No. 208

“O Come, All Ye Faithful”

THE NEW TESTAMENT READING

Matthew 1:18-24

*Congregation Standing

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

The Valley of Vision, Unknown Author

Eternal Father, Thou art good beyond all measure, but I am vile, wretched, miserable, and blind. My lips are ready to confess, but my heart is slow to feel, and my ways reluctant to amend. I bring my soul to thee, break it, wound it, bend it, and mold it. Unmask to me sin's deformity, that I may hate it and flee from it. All my sins I mourn, lament, and for them cry pardon. Work in me a more profound and abiding repentance and give me the fullness of a godly grief. Amen.

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Psalm 103:2-4

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits, Who forgives all your iniquity, Who heals all your diseases, Who redeems your life from the pit, Who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy.

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*

**Catholic means universal*

THE OFFERING

*Congregation Standing

*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 READING OF THE SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 7:1-25

Pastor: *This is the Word of God*

People: *Thanks be to God!*

THE PREACHING OF GOD'S WORD

Dr. Jeff Hamm

"The Virgin Birth Sign Against Unbelief"

THE HYMN OF PREPARATION

No. 261

"What Wondrous Love Is This"

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE

No. 193

"Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence"

*THE BENEDICTION

*Congregation Standing

LORD'S DAY EVENING WORSHIP

December 1, 2024

Six P.M.

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, 98

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

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

Pastor: *He has remembered His steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel.*

People: ***All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.***

Pastor: *Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth;*

People: ***Break forth into joyous song and sing praises!***

THE INVOCATION

*THE HYMN OF PRAISE

No. 218

“Angels, From the Realms of Glory”

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.*

*Congregation standing

*THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

THE EVENING SONGS

THE EVENING PRAYER

THE READING OF THE SCRIPTURE

Genesis 2:4-17

Pastor: *This is the Word of God.*

People: *Thanks be to God!*

THE SERMON

Dr. Jeff Hamm

"The Botanical Bylaw"

*THE SONG OF RESPONSE

No. 302

"Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

*THE BENEDICTION

*Congregation standing

THIS WEEK'S VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE:

SUN 12/1

Nursery am.....Mary Brooker, Jane Morton, Debbie Cowley
Nursery pmCheryl Waggoner
Greeter.....Grady & Edna Hensley
Security.....Team 4
Youth SS 2nd adult.....Nancy Ruggles

NEXT WEEK'S VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

SUN 12/8

Nursery amAmy Davis, Suzanne Parker, Nancy Bishop
Nursery pmNancy Ruggles
Greeter.....Buddy Whitlock, Jameson Hughston
Security.....Team 1
Youth SS 2nd adult.....Gail Trapp

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE LORD'S SUPPER will be served in this morning's worship service. As you enter the sanctuary, please prepare for this sacred time by prayer and meditation. 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.

THERE WILL BE NO fellowship meal today after Sunday School.



THE WIC LADIES will decorate the church for Christmas on December 3 at 6 p.m. We will meet to eat pizza together before we begin the decorating. There is a sign up sheet on the annex table so we know approximately how many to buy pizza for. Please join us—this is a fun filled activity. This takes the place of Circle meetings.



THE CHOIR CHRISTMAS CONCERT will be December 8th at 6 p.m. in the Sanctuary. **Clay Campbell** will direct the choir and **Daniel Cason** will play the piano. Come and worship the Savior with us in song. There will be a reception afterward.



THE CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM will be December 11th at 6 p.m. in the Sanctuary. There will be a reception afterward. There are several categories of food to bring on the sign up sheet on the annex table. Please sign up to help with this.



THE PICTORAL DIRECTORY is in process. **We will be taking photos in front of the church doors after Sunday school until the photos are all taken. Please stay around after Sunday school to make sure yours is taken. We would like to complete all photos before Christmas.**

THE WIC COUNCIL will meet tonight at 6 p.m.

THE WOMEN'S THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY is paused for the Thanksgiving and Advent seasons. They will resume their study on January 9th, 2025.

WOMEN! SAVE THE DATE! The women's retreat will be **Jan. 31— Feb. 1**. There is registration material on the annex table. We had such a great time of study and fellowship at the last one. Come and join us. You will be glad you did.

Thank you for your generous offering for Colbert Caring Center last week. The total given was \$2,175.05.

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

COMMUNION SCHEDULE 2025

Jan 5, Feb 2, Mar 2, Apr 6, May 4, Jun 1, Jul 6, Aug 3, Sept, 7, Oct 5, Nov 2, Dec 7

Pray for our expectant mothers and babies: Megan Stein.

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

Jimmy Barnett	Margie Beck	Susan Bolton	Sherry Campbell
Janie Craigge	Bob Head	Beth Keller	Elaine Kelsoe
Mel Mahan	Wes Marchman	Hanna Ruggles	Nancy Ruggles
Chip Simpson	Terry Snipes	Bill Stackhouse	Dinie Stone
Doris Talley	Keller Thompson	Bill Webb	Pam Wilson
Betty Yates			

CHURCH DIRECTORY

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STAFF

Dr. Jeff Hamm, Pastor	Drew Tunnell, Youth & Children Director/Pastoral Intern
Gary Nantt, Pastoral Assistant	Jennifer Richardson, Bookkeeper
Dinie Stone, Director of Music	Thomas Jones, Sexton
Brian Beck, Organist	

SESSION

Class of 2029:	Jimmy Hughston, Jameson Hughston	<i>Emeritus Elders</i>
Class of 2027:	Al Willis, Lee Hudson, Hal Hughston, Jr.	Ron Hudson, Bill Lacey,
Class of 2025:	Tommy Crosslin, Wes Marchman, <i>Stated Clerk</i>	M.B. Myers
	John Waggoner, Bret Waldrep	

DIACONATE

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

WIC COUNCIL

Adina Stone, <i>President</i>	Reba Griffith, <i>Missions</i>	Gail Hughston, <i>Circle I Chrm.</i>
Stephanie Isbell, <i>Vice President</i>	Nancy Ruggles, <i>Christian Growth</i>	Susanne Wadsworth, <i>Circle II Chrm.</i>
Barbara Collins, <i>Secretary</i>	Mary Brooker, <i>Nursery Chairman</i>	Stephanie Isbell, <i>Circle III Chrm.</i>
Simone Singleton, <i>Treasurer</i>	Sarah Cooper & Rebecca Hovater, <i>Historians</i>	

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, <i>Marcus Nobles</i>
French Camp Academy	RUF: Auburn University, <i>Tanner Crum</i>
Gideons International	RUF: University of Alabama, <i>Stewart Swain</i>
Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church Plant	
Mission to North America	

INTERNATIONAL MISSIONARIES

Rev. & Mrs. Richard Bailey, <i>Australia</i>	Mr. & Mrs. Mike Sabin, <i>Trans World Radio</i>	MTW Enterprise, Europe
Rev. & Mrs. Joel Linton, <i>Taiwan</i>	Mr. & Mrs. Craig Gahagen, <i>Peru</i>	Third Millennium Ministries
Rev. & Mrs. Rob Ilderton, <i>England</i>	Rev. & Mrs. Atanasov, <i>Parvomai, Bulgaria</i>	Mr. Danny Lynch, <i>International</i>
Rev. & Mrs. Verne Marshall, <i>Chile</i>	Mr. and Mrs. Ben Cohen, <i>Globeworks</i>	