



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH FRANKLIN

DAY OF PENTECOST
MAY 24, 2026

*Welcome to worship at First Presbyterian Church, Franklin.
The asterisk (*) invites all to rise in body or spirit.
The people's responses are in **bold type**. Please silence cell phones.*

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S WORD

CHIMING OF THE HOUR / POURING OF THE WATER

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN INTONATION

*CALL TO WORSHIP

“When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly a sound came from heaven like the rush of a mighty wind, and it filled all the house....”

And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit.

Peter said to them, “Repent and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.”

Today, we repent and remember our baptism for the forgiveness of our sins.

We claim the promised gift of the Holy Spirit. Together, let us pray.

All the earth is full of your glory, O God, and the heavens resound in praise of your name. Brooks ramble along the course you designed for them, and leaves whisper of your manifold ways. Fields murmur as we pass through them, and in the skies, the thunder sounds its applause. With countless tongues and voices, creation welcomes your presence. We join that throng and lift our chorus, “Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.”

In the name of Jesus Christ, let us worship God!

*HYMN 4

Holy God, We Praise Your Name
VERSES One, Two, and Four

GROSSER GOTT

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of wisdom and understanding, have mercy upon us as we confess our sin. Your children are scattered; language keeps them apart. Forgive us for the cultural pride that refuses to learn another language. Forgive us the barriers of insensitivity that repel those whom You seek to call through us. By Your Spirit's power undo the plight of Babel by the miracle of Pentecost, to the end that all may hear the gospel and praise the risen Christ with one voice.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Friends, believe the Good News.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

***THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

(Please greet those around you with the peace of Christ.)

***MUSICAL RESPONSE 581**

GLORIA PATRI

**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 READING OF THE LAW**

Let us now remember the standard by which God calls us to live.

“God spoke all these words, saying, I am the Lord your God. You shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them. You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God. Remember the Sabbath day, and keep it holy. Honor your father and your mother. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. You shall not covet your neighbor’s home; you shall not covet your neighbor’s spouse, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.”

Blessed are they whose delight is in the law of the Lord. **Amen.**

PROCLAIM GOD’S WORD

TIME WITH THE YOUNG CHURCH

Eddie Bellis

Children of all ages are invited to come forward. Nursery (0-3) and Children’s Worship (ages 4 to K) information is on the back of the bulletin.

Would you like to lead a Children’s Worship this summer?

Anyone interested, including first time volunteers, contact Sam at sbelcher@fpcfranklin.org.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 16 various verses (p.925)

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Are you Pentecostal?

Eddie Bellis

RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

***HYMN 291**

Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness

SPIRIT

(We will sing VERSES One, Two, and Four. The REFARIN will be sung prior to VERSE One, and following VERSE Four.)

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER

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.

OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND LIVES

*Fold and place your completed "Connection Card" in the plate offering.
To give online, scan the QR code on the back of the bulletin.*

OFFERTORY MUSIC

Chancel Choir

"Be present, Spirit of the Lord..."

***DOXOLOGY 606**

OLD 100TH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

O God, to You be the glory! We live to praise You; we trust Your judgment. In all that we do, we seek to obey You alone. Receive our offerings for they are the gifts of Your good Spirit. We shall not shrink from giving You glory, for we are called by Christ to be stewards of what You create. Amen.

GO IN GOD'S NAME

***HYMN 634**

To God Be the Glory

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***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

***RINGING OF THE CARILLON**

LEADING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Eddie Bellis, Interim Pastor

Anne Keener, Commissioned Pastor

Michael Snoddy, Director of Music and Organist / Chancel Choir

Sue Mahurin, Liturgist

Isla England, Acolyte

*The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in memory of Janice Lewis
by Kim and Mark Lewis.*

PRAYER LIST

New:

Caleb Lillard
Barb Heerman's family member, Dylan Maye
Barb Heerman's friends, Lili Massengill and John Alden
Kathy Kirby's friends, Jack Smithson and Chris Ellis
Christine Grisham's friend, Michael Romines

Deaths:

Missy McKeand's brother, Bill Herbert, May 15

Births/Adoptions:

Declan Titus Plumley, son of Doug and Hannah Plumley, March 31
great-grandson of Opal Plumley

Members:

Ann Brown
Barbara Crunk
Carolyn Hayes
Anne Osborne

Assisted Living/Homebound:

Derrell and Tee Billingsley- home
Ann Brown- The Lantern, Spring Hill
Carolyn Hayes- Canterfield
Joan Hetherington- home
Marilyn Miller- The Heritage
Nancy Morris- Somerby
Opal Plumley- The Heritage
Jane Stafford- Willow Springs, Spring Hill
Betty Willoughby- home

In Memory:

Gerri Kopjoe	May 24, 2024
Cedric Flowers	May 25, 2010
Arleen Munk	May 29, 2024

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Music in Worship – Chancel Choir Thanks: Today is the choir’s final Sunday until their return to worship in August. Please take a moment to offer a word of thanks to them for their gifts to us. **“Easel-y Heard”—From Easel to Ear:** During the summer months we will both feature a piece of art by congregation member Mike Moyers, and “hear” it as it is interpreted musically during the morning’s offertory music. Begins in June.

Blood Drive, May 31: Join us for a blood drive with the American Red Cross in Wilson Hall from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Blood donation is vital—and you can help save lives by giving to patients in need. **We still need 25 more volunteers!** To schedule an appointment, visit www.redcrossblood.org and use code FPCF19.

Website Update: We are updating the church website and are looking for members with expertise or interest in helping Thomas Bartolomeo and others with this process. If you are interested and willing to help, contact Catherine Olson colson@fpcfranklin.org.

Summer Wonder Hour and Sunday School: Next Sunday, May 31 summer classes begin for all ages. Elementary will study *The Wonder of God’s Creation* in Room 209; Youth will have a combined middle and high school Sunday School class in 117/118 studying *The Classics* which explores familiar Bible stories like Noah and Jonah; Summer Adult Sunday School will meet in Barr and study *1 Corinthians: Then and Now*, led by Pastor Eddie.

FISH Service Opportunity: June 2, volunteer with Williamson County Animal Shelter at 10 AM. Sign up online.

Outreach Events: Franklin Pride is **June 6** at Harlinsdale Park, and Juneteenth is **June 19** at Franklin Bicentennial Park. FPC members are invited to sign up to volunteer at our FPC tent and/or come enjoy each event. Sign up online or email Verna for more info at vrydlund@gmail.com.

Emergency Medical Sessions: Learn what to do before EMS arrives in situations involving unconsciousness, choking, bleeding, and AED use. Led by Don Arnold in the Barr Conference Room with the assistance of Blair and Larry Reynolds after services on **June 7 & 28**. Healthcare professionals interested in helping can contact don.arnold@yumc.org.

The Basic Essentials Collection supports GraceWorks Food Pantry year-round with food carts, student fuel bags, holiday boxes, and mobile pantries. May's collection benefits Williamson County Animal Center. Needed items: laundry detergent, cat toys and treats, and dog treats and chews.

Adults 55+: Come for food and fellowship each Wednesday at 5 PM at the Franklin Chop House. No need to sign up. Just show up!

Summer Potluck: Save the date! Sunday, July 19 is our next potluck following the worship service. Please bring a dish to share.

Montreat Women's Connection Aug. 14–16: Start planning now for the Montreat Women's Connection Weekend! Enjoy a meaningful weekend of worship, fellowship, rest, shopping in Black Mountain, visits to the Montreat Book Store and Blue Ridge Folk Art Center, and keynote speaker Kristin Kobes Du Mez. We'd love to know who's interested—sign up online!

Use QR code to visit the Events/Registrations page.



Responding to God's grace through worship, study, and service.

Our purpose is to joyfully follow Christ and respond to God's grace as an inclusive, multigenerational faith community by:

- Deepening discipleship through relevant worship and life-long learning
- Creating and nurturing congregational relationships
- Transforming lives and connecting with others through service

Welcome! We extend a warm welcome to all who are here today. Whether you are from our community or visiting, we are glad to have you among us.

We strive to be inclusive and offer assistance for those with disabilities.

T-Coil hearing devices are available from members of the Hospitality Team. We have pew cutouts for accessibility and offer sensory nurturing items for children. If anyone has other needs or disabilities that require assistance or accommodation for any church activity, please don't hesitate to contact the church office at 615-794-5114.

Our Nursery is available for infants and children through 3 years old downstairs in Room 111. Children of all ages are always welcome to remain in the sanctuary.

Children's Worship is available for children ages 4 through kindergarten in Room 101 following Time with the Young Church. Those attending will be returned to the sanctuary before the end of the service. For accommodations and more information, please contact the Director of Youth Ministries, Sam Belcher (sbelcher@fpcfranklin.org).

Prayer requests to share concerns or celebrations may be sent to Anne Keener (akeener@fpcfranklin.org).

THE SESSION

Class of 2026

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Martha Johnson
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THE CHURCH STAFF

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Linda Cairatti, Nursery Staff

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