



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH FRANKLIN



The artwork above titled *Psalm 100* is the first installment in our “Easel-y Heard”- *From Easel to Ear* series where we will feature a piece of art by congregation member Mike Moyers and “hear” it as it is interpreted musically during the offertory music.

3RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
JUNE 14, 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

PRELUDE / HYMN INTONATION

*CALL TO WORSHIP

There are days when God feels obvious like sunlight on the kitchen floor, impossible to ignore, and then there are days when God is more like a question being asked in a quiet room, waiting to see if anyone will answer.

So, we come with varying degrees of attention and distraction. Some of us arrive carrying gratitude. Some of us arrive wondering if there is anything left for which be grateful. Most of us arrive somewhere in between, which is its own kind of honest place.

Still, we are invited here not because we master belief, but because we are willing to be found.

We are called to worship by the persistent grace of God who keeps showing up in ordinary places: in bread broken and shared, in voices lifted slightly above silence, and in the strange hope that we are not alone in the world or in ourselves.

So come, if you are tired. Come, if you are curious.

Come, if you are carrying more than you can neatly name. Come, if all you can manage today is a question mark and a willingness to listen.

Let us worship the God who meets us here, not at the end of our questions, but right in the middle of them.

*HYMN 611

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

HYMN TO JOY

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we do not usually think of greed as a noisy sin because it does not march through town banging cymbals. Rather, greed slips quietly into our pockets, settles into our calendars, and hides behind phrases like “just being responsible” or “making sure there is enough.” Before we know it, we become people who clutch instead of share, count instead of trust, and store instead of serving.

Forgive us for believing that abundance belongs to us alone, while others sit at tables with empty plates and tired hearts. Loosen our clenched fists, O Lord. Teach us again the freedom of open hands. Remind us that the treasure of the Gospel cannot be bought, hoarded, or cornered. The true treasure can only be received with gratitude and shared with delight.

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.)

*HYMN OF PRAISE 508

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

Anne Keener

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.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Corinthians 5:11 (p.929)

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

The Power of Greed

Eddie Bellis

RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

***CONGREGATIONAL HYMN FAVORITE**

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

(Question 21 of the Heidelberg Catechism)

Q. What is true faith?

A. True faith is not only a sure knowledge by which I hold as true all that God has revealed to us in Scripture; it is also a wholehearted trust, which the Holy Spirit creates in me by the gospel, that God has freely granted, not only to others but to me also, forgiveness of sins, eternal righteousness, and salvation. These are gifts of sheer grace granted solely by Christ’s merit. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

COMMISSIONING OF YOUTH MISSION TRIPS

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 – AN INTERPRETATION OF PSALM 100:

Fantasy on OLD HUNDREDTH (The Doxology)

***DOXOLOGY**

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.

GO IN GOD'S NAME

***HYMN 716**

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

BEACH SPRING

***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

Susan Burns, Liturgist

Lark England, Acolyte

*The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and
in memory of Ed and Mary Lou Wilson by Susan Wilson Alden.*

PRAYER LIST

New:

Karen Coleman's friend, Tyler McKinnie

Leah Stein's friends, Lori Chapman and Margaret Owens

Eddie Bellis' uncle, Ernie Foster

Carolyn Hayes' daughter and son-in-law, Michele and Gary Rainford

John and Ruthie Moulton's great-granddaughter, Amyah Bell

Deaths:

Paula Starace's mother, Verna Clark, May 16

Members:

Ann Brown, Barbara Crunk, Carolyn Hayes, Caleb Lillard, Anne Osborne

In Memory:

Tony Lopacinski June 15, 2011

Barbara Pennington June 15, 2015

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congregational Meeting: We will have a called congregational meeting **next Sunday, June 21** following worship to elect elders for the class of 2029. The nominating committee is presenting the following slate of elders: Jim Bryant, Sally Bullock, Katie England, Clarke Oldham, and Brent Sower.

Volunteer Opportunities:

Front desk-We are looking for a front desk volunteer on **Monday afternoons** from 12:30pm – 4pm. The position includes answering the phone and doors, and some light administrative work as needed. Please reach out to Catherine Olson at colson@fpcfranklin.org if you are interested.

Flower Delivery-We are looking for a person(s) to deliver worship flowers to members one Monday every 5 weeks. We have 5 teams that rotate and this team delivers to the Spring Hill/Thompson's Station area. Remaining dates for 2027 include: **July 6, Aug 10, Sept 14, Oct 19, and Nov 23**. We are also looking for people to be on our substitute list. If you are interested in learning more about serving in this ministry, please contact Anne Keener, akeener@fpcfranklin.org.

Juneteenth Celebration: Join the community at Franklin Bicentennial Park on **Friday, June 19**, from 11 AM–5 PM for music, food, games, and cultural activities celebrating Juneteenth. FPC will host a tent with refreshments and information about the church. Volunteers are needed for tent shifts and to provide cakes for the Cakewalk. Contact Verna Rydlund, vrydlund@gmail.com, for details.

Summer Wonder Hour: Elementary will study *The Wonder of God's Creation* in Room 209; They will be led by an all-star crew of nature-loving members! Each week this summer, students will meet to explore creation and learn about the Creator. Don't miss it! The weekly calendar is available on the FPC website.

Summer Sunday School: Middle and high school Sunday School classes meet in room 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 and Kimberly Coward.

The Basic Essentials Collection: For June, we will partner with The Big Backpack Giveaway, which will be distributing 1,500 backpacks in July, so that every child can start the school year feeling prepared, confident, and full of hope. Supplies needed: Plastic folders, Index cards, Colored markers. Drop off in the cart located in the Narthex.

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 the service on **June 28**. No prior attendance is required.

Fish and Loaves Meal Ministry: The FPC mission committee will be partnering with Downtown Presbyterian on **Saturday, July 18**. If you would like to volunteer, sign up on the FPC website.

Summer Potluck: Save the date! **Sunday, July 19**.

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 the 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

Leanne Hoeffler
John Korab
Tammy Love
Starr Nolan
Phillip Otts

Class of 2027

Greg Bennorth
Dan Crunk
Sarah Fox
Martha Johnson
Jim Petersen

Class of 2028

Judi Arnold
Rick Blackburn
Rich Crim
Tony Inglis
Rachael Stanfill

THE CHURCH STAFF

Eddie Bellis, Interim Pastor
Anne Keener, Commissioned Pastor
Michael Snoddy, Dir. of Music/Organist
Sam Belcher, Dir. of Youth Ministries
Catherine Olson, Dir. of Operations

Marie Hayman, Accountant
Kate Lasseter, Nursery Coordinator
Kelly Oldham, Nursery Coordinator
Linda Cairatti, Nursery Staff

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