# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH HUNTINGDON, TENNESSEE

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"To make faithful disciples of persons in the community and those within our church through participation in worship, service, fellowship, learning and teaching that they may influence, with love and compassion, others to follow

Jesus Christ!" ~ FPC Mission Statement

OCTOBER 13, 2019 28<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

> 19835 East Main Street Huntingdon, Tennessee

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#### PASTORAL GREETING AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

#### PRAYER OF PREPARATION

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O Healer, wounded one, we kneel before you. Reach out and put your hand on us. Bind up our terrible wounds. Send us, scarred and rough, to be wounded healers too. Caress your world. Use us to do it. Amen.

# THE GATHERING PREPARING TO HEAR THE WORD

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#### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Come and celebrate! Shout joyfully to the Lord, your God! Glorify God with your praise!

All: Everything on earth will worship you; they will sing your praises, shouting your name in joyful songs.

Leader: Come and see what our God has done, what awesome things the Lord has done for us!

All: Let the whole world bless our God and sing God's praise. For our lives are in God's hands and God keeps our feet from stumbling.

<sup>\*</sup>To all who are able, please stand as we offer God thanks and praise. **Bold type face** indicates that the congregation participates in word or song

#### \*CONFESSION LITANY (Responsive)

Leader: God is gracious and merciful, revealing the love of God to us in ways that surprise us as God's mercy comes without strings attached.

# All: Let us confess the ways in which we attach conditional strings to God and others.

Leader: Holy God, when we grieve for what might have been and lament the ways in which your grace calls out the barriers we have erected,

### All: May we cry with the leper, "You can make me clean!"

Leader: When we fall prey to the lure of believing that all we need is ourselves, justifying our thoughts and actions to prove our worth to you,

## All: May we pray with the leper, "You can make me clean!"

Leader: When we forget the possibilities of God's presence, love, and grace realized in our lives,

# All: May we proclaim with the leper, "You can make me clean!"

#### A TIME FOR SILENT PRAYER

#### \*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: As the man with leprosy, considered unclean by society, was made clean by a touch and a word from Jesus, so we are cleansed from all unrighteousness through belief in him. Friends, believe and live the good news: In Jesus Christ we are loved, we are cleansed, we are forgiven!

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#### THE WORD



#### THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (Unison)

These are your words, O God. Humble us to speak their weight. Strengthen us to hear their truth. Unbind us to live their call. Through the power of your Holy Spirit, for the sake of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

PSALTER LESSON – Psalm 66: 1-12 (OT528)

"Praise for God's Goodness to Israel"

This is the Word of the Lord!

#### Thanks be to God!

CHORAL WORSHIP......The Choir

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON – Luke 17: 11-19 (NT80)

"Jesus Cleanses Ten Lepers"

This is the Word of the Lord!

#### Thanks be to God!

HOMILY.....Rev. Arthur Lodge

#### RESPONDING TO THE WORD

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**HYMN** 

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: A Brief Statement of Faith (Unison)

The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE 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.

THE BRINGING OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

\*DOXOLOGY

\*THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION

GOING OUT TO BE THE CHURCH

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\*HYMN

\*CHARGE TO CONGREGATION AND BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE

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### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

WELCOME to First Presbyterian Church. No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here. We encourage you to take your worship bulletin home with you each Sunday after worship services. By doing so, you will have the worship liturgy available to reflect back on the service, during the week. FPC's *Mission Statement* is "To make faithful disciples of persons in the community and those within our church through participation in worship, service, fellowship, learning, and teaching that they may influence, with love and compassion, others to follow Jesus Christ!"

**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S PICNIC** will be this afternoon, from 1:00pm-3:30pm. All women are invited to the home of Mary & Arthur Lodge for this event. The dress is casual and please bring your favorite covered dish.

**CHOIR PRACTICE** will be Wednesday, October 16<sup>th</sup>, at 5:15pm.

**CHURCH SESSION** meets on Thursday, October 17<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00pm.

**CAMP FOOD & COCTAILS** benefitting Pinecrest Camp, Sunday, October 20, 2019, 4:00pm-7:00pm, in Germantown, TN. Contact Pinecrest Camp for details.

**DEACON STEW FUNDRAISER** will be Sunday, October 27<sup>th</sup>, following the morning worship service. "Eat In" or "Take Out." Note: For "Take Out," please bring your own container(s).



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS: October 2<sup>nd</sup>, Peggy Allen; October 11<sup>th</sup>, Malek Cannon; October 13<sup>th</sup>, James Schatz; October 15<sup>th</sup>, Judy Noles; October 19<sup>th</sup>, Joseph Bales; October 26<sup>th</sup>, Hannah Jackson Hickerson.

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES: October 7<sup>th</sup>, Don & Dianne Harris; October 16<sup>th</sup>, Arthur & Mary Lodge; October 30<sup>th</sup>, Dwayne & Marianne Tordsen.





This congregation is affiliated with The Presbyterian Church (USA)

**Pastor:** The Reverend Arthur L. Lodge

Music Ministry
Director of Music, Pianist: Judy Noles

Acolyte: Colby Vandiver

The Church Session
Clerk of Session: Linda Schatz

Class of 2019 Class of 2020 Class of 2021
Trudy Radford (1) Dianne Harris(1) Suzanne Carter (1)
Linda Schatz (1) Stephen Phelps(2)

#### The Diaconate

Class of 2019

Becky Burkhalter(1)

Linda Hollowell(2)

Rusty Lamar (2)

Class of 2020

Carol Clifford(1)

Tara Vandiver(2)