

First Presbyterian Church on the Square



February 12, 2017
11:00 AM

Service for the Lord's Day



Gathering

Prelude “Voluntary on LOBE DEN HERREN”

Welcome and Announcements

* Call to Worship

— Psalm 111

- L: Praise the LORD! I WILL give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation.
- P: Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them. Full of honor and majesty is his work, and his righteousness endures forever.
- L: He has gained renown by his wonderful deeds; the LORD is gracious and merciful. The works of his hands are faithful and just; all his precepts are trustworthy.
- P: He sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant forever. Holy and awesome is his name. The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all who follow his precepts have good understanding. To him belongs eternal praise.

* Hymn 667

LAUDES DOMINI

“When Morning Gilds the Skies”

* Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

(Silent and personal confession.)

* Kyrie (Glory to God, 437)

You are the Lord, giver of mercy!
You are the Christ, giver of mercy!
You are the Lord, giver of mercy!

* Declaration of Pardon

*The 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 Word of God

Time with the Children

Sharon Hand

Anthem

“His Eye Is On the Sparrow”

Erica Hand, Soloist

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lessons

Ecclesiastes 4:7-12 (page 661); Philippians 2:12-30 (pages 1162-1163)

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Sermon

Michael D. Bush

“Philippians: Encouragement”



Thanksgiving

*Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed, (Glory to God, p. 35)

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.

*Hymn 300

THEY'LL KNOW WE ARE CHRISTIANS
“We Are One in the Spirit”

Prayers of the People

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 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

“My Savior First of All”

Please place friendship register sheets in the offering plate.

*The Doxology

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 Thanksgiving



Sending

*Hymn 546

SICILIAN MARINERS

“Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing”

*Charge and Blessing

*Response

GIVE THANKS

“Give Thanks”

(Hymn 647, no repeats)

Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One; give
thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son.

And now let the weak say, “I am strong”; let the poor say,

“I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us!”

Give thanks. Give Thanks.

*Postlude

*If you are able, please stand.

Today at First

Sunday School

9:30 AM,
Sanctuary

Fellowship

10:30 AM,
Rodgers Center

Worship

11:00 AM,
Sanctuary

Preacher

Michael Bush

Liturgist

Jennifer Quillen

Acolyte

Layton Romine

Musicians

Pat & Gwen Bacon

Flowers

The sanctuary flowers are given to the glory of God by First Presbyterian Family.

Sunday School Classes

Toddler's Class

(Room 102)

Children's Class

(Room 101)

Young Adult Class

(Room 105)

Women's Class

(Room 112)

Men's Class

(Parlor-Rodgers Center)

Corner Class

(Room 107)

Discussion Class

(Room 100)

Welcome to First Presbyterian

Children. Children are always welcome in worship. Child care is available for infants and toddlers in the nursery, through the doors at the front of the sanctuary, then right.

To join this church. Speak to the minister.

Order CDs of the service. Call the church office: (256) 232-0112.

Connect to our online community life. Visit fpcathens.org for information, news, and sermon audio. Join our Facebook group for community life. Follow our Facebook page for news, updates on recent events, and upcoming opportunities.

Connect to pastor and staff. Call the church office. The interim pastor's email is mbush@fpcathens.org.

Accessibility. There are reserved parking spaces on Jefferson Street in front of the sanctuary. Enter the building through the walkway to the right of the sanctuary or through the office entrance. Ask an usher for an assistive hearing device.

To give sanctuary flowers. See the chart outside the right-hand door at the front of the sanctuary or call the church office.

The Week Ahead

Monday, February 13
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM,
Friendship Quilt Guild
Rodgers Center

Tuesday, February 14
6:00 PM, Cursillo 4th Day

Wednesday, February 15
9:30 AM, Pottery Class
Basement
5:30 PM, Wednesday Supper
Rodgers Center
6:00 PM, Adult Study, Youth &
Children's Activities
7:00 PM, Chancel Choir
Sanctuary

Thursday, February 16
5:30 PM, Girl Scout Troop #468
Rodgers Center

Friday, February 17
Church Office Closed
- No Scheduled Activities -

Saturday, February 18
7:00 AM, Gideons
Rodgers Center
8:00 AM, Winter Stated Meeting
North Alabama Presbytery
First Presbyterian, Guntersville

February 19 - 25, 2017

Sunday, February 19
Sunday School, 9:30 AM,
Fellowship
10:30 AM, Rodgers Center
Worship
11:00 AM, Sanctuary

Liturgist: Doris Estes
Acolyte: Calyn Campbell

Monday, February 20
- No Scheduled Activities -

Tuesday, February 21
3:30 PM, ADK Teacher's Sorority
-Rodgers Center-
6:00 PM, Cursillo 4th Day
6:30 PM, Session Meeting,
Conference Room (#100)

Wednesday, February 22
9:30 AM, Pottery Class - Basement
5:30 PM, FPC Family Wednesday
Supper, Rodgers Center
6:00 PM, Adult Study, Youth &
Children's Activities
7:00 PM, Chancel Choir
Sanctuary

Thursday, February 23
3:30 pm Ribbon Cutting
Revival Building

Friday, February 24
- No Scheduled Meetings -

Saturday, February 25
7:00 AM, Gideons - Rodgers Center
12-4:00 PM, Rodgers Center (RSVP)
4:30 - 10:00 PM, Revival (RSVP)

The Session

Class of 2017
Richard Estes
Christine Hilgeman
Don Payne
Jerry Witt

Class of 2018
Larry Burlingame
Sharon Hand
Julie McNeese
Mason Ruf

Class of 2019
Brad Clem
Jacob Greene
Deb Kohlhasse
Jennifer Quillen

Duane Counter, Treasurer
Staff

Michael D. Bush
Pat Bacon
Gwen Bacon
Sandra Mitchell
Cynthia Daniel
Alice Whitt

Interim Pastor
Director of Music
Organist
Office Administrator
Sexton
Nursery