

FEBRUARY 5, 2012
8:30 & 11:00 A.M.



FIRST
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH

MURFREESBORO,
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Rev. John A. Hinkle, Jr.
Senior Pastor

Rev. Bobby Harding
Associate Pastor for Youth
and Families

Rev. Dr. Kaye Nickell
Parish Associate

Rev. John Westlund
College/Young Adult Ministry

A Time to Grow

We have returned to our year-long theme from Ecclesiastes 3: 1-8—“There is a time for everything.” In the fall we examined the lives of Ruth and David. They taught us that there is a time for risk and a time for preparation in our faith journey, and that we do not journey alone, but in community. Then, we turned to Psalms to be inspired by the gratitude to God expressed in these beautiful prayers. During Advent we were asked to enter a time of listening, a time of reflecting upon the words of the prophet, Isaiah, John the Baptizer, the Angel, and Mary, a young mother-to-be. On Christmas, we heard the words of the promised one who came as a light in the darkness, the word made flesh for our salvation.

Now, we enter ordinary time and turn to the theme of growth in grace. Romans 12:3-8 reminds us that all of us are gifted by grace to serve God. As a community, our gifts combine to define our ministry of witness and service. There are many more ways of serving than the ones listed in this scripture, but these particular gifts allow us to understand how we grow in grace and how we exercise our gifts in community: prophecy, service, giving, and compassion. We will examine four stories from the New Testament to see these gifts develop in response to the work of Christ in community, the need in a particular situation and the response to it. May we see ourselves in these stories and be challenged to acknowledge and exercise our gifts of grace.

Welcome to worship. We are glad you are here.

We welcome all who have joined with us in worship today. We are glad you are here! If you are new to the area, have been visiting for a while, have some questions about First Presbyterian Church or are interested in joining the congregation, please speak with one of our pastors. All are welcome in worship; however, if needed, a nursery is provided during both worship services for infants and preschool children. For those with hearing and/or visual impairments: There are large print bulletins and small handheld radios with ear pieces available to help you enjoy the worship service. Please ask an usher for either item.

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February 5, 2012

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

GATHERING

Chiming of the Trinity

Announcements

You are invited to sign the Friendship Book and pass it down your pew.

Greeting in the Name of Jesus Christ

Please stand and greet those around you.

Prelude

“How Firm a Foundation”
from American Folk Hymn Suite for Organ

M. Burkhardt

*Introit (11:00)

“This is the House of the Lord”

D. Moore

*Call to Worship

For everything there is a season.

There is a time for every purpose under heaven.

There is a time to plant, and a time to harvest.

Let us worship the Lord.

*Hymn 483

“Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above”

Prayer of Confession

Holy and Merciful God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you. We are not wise in the ways of time, so you alone know how often we have sinned in wasting your gifts, in wandering from your ways, and in forgetting your love. Have mercy upon us, O Lord, and forgive us. Grant us the wisdom to use our gifts wisely and the hearts to do so generously.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

*Response to Pardon *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.**

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Time with the Young Church

Prayer of Illumination

Let us pray together.

**Gracious God, you are the fount of goodness, the giver of all good gifts.
Gift us today with eyes to see and ears to hear the good news of the
gospel. Amen.**

Romans 12:3-8

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Anthem 8:30

“Be Near Me Lord”

K. Lee Scott

“ ... *teach me what You would have me do;
Incline my nature to obey*”

11:00

“Father, We Worship You”

V. C. Johnson

“ ... *we lift our voice to honor You;
Holy is Your name*”

John 6:1-15

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Sermon

“Would You Give?”

Rev. John A. Hinkle, Jr.

A Time to Grow

*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.

THANKING GOD

Offertory

“Holy, Holy, Holy”

J. B. Dykes

*Doxology

*Offertory Prayer

Invitation to the Table

Hymn of Preparation 510 “Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts”

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you;

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts;

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God;

It is right to give our thanks and praise...

And so we pray, saying,

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.**

Words of Institution

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

DEPARTURE IN GOD'S NAME

*Hymn 343 “Called as Partners in Christ’s Service”

*Charge and Benediction

*Benediction Response (8:30) 586 “Amen”
(11:00) “Peace, God’s Wonderful Peace”

*Postlude “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” M. Burkhardt
From American Folk Hymn Suite for Organ

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SO WE CAN KNOW & SHOW OUR CARE
OUR SPECIAL MEMBER OF THE WEEK: Susan Bragg

The flowers today are in memory of Col. William S. Miller, given by his family.

Bicentennial Celebration shirts Order forms are available. High quality shirts are available in men’s, women’s sizes, and T-shirts for children with an embroidered logo on the golf-style and dress shirts. T-shirts have a silk-screened logo. Please call the office for more information (893-3882 ext. 0)

"The First Two Hundred Years of First Presbyterian Church", the history book written by Susan Daniel and Libby McKay, is on sale in the lobby between 9:30 and 10:40. The cost is \$15.00 for the hard back book. Don't miss this opportunity to have the two hundred year history of our church.

Offering envelopes are outside the office and ready to be picked up.

Annual Women's retreat will be held February 24-25 at Horton Haven. The theme is: Spanning the Generations. Cost is \$70.00. Deadline for registration is February 12. For additional information, please contact Lexie Harding: Lexieharding@gmail.com, or by phone at 615-962-1657.

Souper Bowl of Caring food drive ends today. For FPC this event runs in tandem with the (local) Friendly Food drive organized by the Operation-In-As-Much churches. Please bring in non-perishable food items which will be donated to the Rutherford County Food Bank. FPC Youth will be positioned at all entrances to church doors to collect donations. Help us tackle hunger in 2012!

The college ministry committee has a commitment to furnish meals for PSF students on March 1, 22, and April 26. We are requesting a main course, 2 sides, dessert and drinks for about 25 students. Volunteers may be compensated for their expenses if they desire. Contact Kevin Heusinkveld at 895-5032, Amy Maynard at 867-2140 or Glenn Himebaugh at 893-8668.

The Session

Class of 2012

Melanie Brogli
Dave Baughman
Susan Couch
Kevin Heusinkveld
Johnnie Leonard
David Parsons
Rita Shacklett
Layne Young

Class of 2013

Joe Bales
Michelle Blaylock-Howser
Deborah Edwards
Glenn Himebaugh
Meredith Peck
Linda Stevens
Thomas Tyner
Charlie Wendt

Class of 2014

Mark Blackwelder
Chuck Clark
Murray Martin
Amy Maynard
Steve Mitchell
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Bill Patterson
Mary Catherine Sevier

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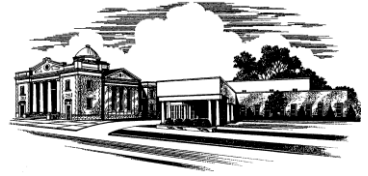
Valerie Rains
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Amy Leonard
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THIS WEEK @ FIRST

February 5, 2012 – February 12, 2012



Calendar of Events

Sunday, February 5

- 8:00 AM First Choir
- 8:30 AM Morning Worship
- 9:30 AM Sunday school
- 11:00 AM Morning Worship
- 2:00 PM Funeral: Col. Bill Miller

Monday, February 6

- 5:30 PM Men's Bible Study

Tuesday, February 7

- 10:00 AM Morning Circle – "C"
- 10:30 AM Staff Meeting

Wednesday, February 8

Wonderful Wednesday!

- 5:00 PM Dinner-Common Room:
- 6:00 PM Cherubs & M&M's
- 6:00 PM Beth Moore Bible Study-Harrison Hall
- 6:00 PM Handbells – Classroom E
- 6:00 PM "D" groups
- 6:00 PM Resident Aliens-Parlor
- 6:00 PM Cellar
- 7:15 PM Chancel Choir

Thursday, February 9

- 10:00 AM Parables-Harrison Hall

Friday, February 10

- No Activities scheduled

Saturday, February 11

- 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study

Sunday, February 12

- 8:00 AM First Choir
- 8:30 AM Morning Worship
- 9:30 AM Sunday school
- 11:00 AM Morning Worship
- 4:00 PM Middle School Journey-Youth Rm
- 6:30 PM High School Experience –Youth

Birthdays for the week:

- February 5 David Corlew
- February 6 Tommy Beernink, Kim Smith, Katie Turner
- February 7 Ed Maupin III, Ernie Brackeen, Trey Randolph
- February 8 Verginia Copen, Adam Parsons, Matthew Brandon, Michael Daniel
- February 9 Libby McKay, Olivia Arney
- February 11 Kevin Heusinkveld, Andrea Swenson
- February 12 Helen Ponder, Stacey Borasky

**Thank you to all who assisted in
worship this morning.**