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HOMEBOUND COMMUNION

If you or someone you know of desires homebound communion on May 13, please give David Segers a call at 864-221-8292.

Sunday May 20 is Youth Sunday and Graduate Sunday

Our youth will be leading the entire worship service and we will also be honoring our graduates during the service. Please join us for a wonderful morning of celebration and worship. We are looking for First Presbyterian members who are graduating from college, or receiving a masters or doctorate. Please contact the church office at 864-225-2551 to give us your name and the name of the school no later than May 14th.



Vacation Bible School June 11-15, 2018 9am—12noon

Register your child for Vacation Bible School:

<http://rrr.cokesburyvbs.com/firstpresanderson>



The AnMed Bloodmobile will also be here on May 27th, 8:30am—12:30pm. Please give if you are able.

This week at First Presbyterian....

- Sunday, May 6**
 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
 9:30 a.m. Presbyterian Women's Birthday Brunch - Kirk
 10:30 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary
 12:30 p.m. Golf Tournament - Boscobel Country Club
Monday, May 7
 12:45 p.m. McDougald Room reserved
 1:00 p.m. The Seekers Bible Study - Rm 212
 5:55 p.m. Yoga - FLC
 6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts - McDougald Rm
Tuesday, May 8
 9:00 a.m. Dayschool Chapel
 10:00 a.m. Rhodes Respite Care - McDougald Rm
 3:00 p.m. WOW Bible Study - Rm 212
Wednesday, May 9
 8:45 a.m. L.I.T. Bible Study - Bagel Shop
 10 am—4 pm VBS DECORATING WORK DAY!!!
 9:15 a.m. Chair Yoga - Rm 216
 10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting
 12:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study - McDougald Rm
 4:00 p.m. Christian Education Ministry Meeting—Rm 212
 5:30 p.m. Worship Meeting - Kirk
 6:00 p.m. Zumba - FLC
 7:00 p.m. Rejoicers Bible Study - FLC
Thursday, May 10
 10:00 a.m. Rhodes Respite Care - FLC
 10:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry - Rm 110
Friday, May 11
 3:00 p.m. Book Club - Parlor
Saturday, May 12 No scheduled events



Worship & Cookout Sunday, May 27th @ 10:30am
 We will have worship in the Family Life Center with Salem Presbyterian Church

After worship we will enjoy lunch together. Main dish and drinks will be provided, please bring a side to share (please bring serving utensil).

Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 6, 2018
10:30am



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 302 West Whitner Street
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SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 6, 2018

10:30 A.M.

Welcome!

First Presbyterian Church welcomes all in the name of Jesus Christ today. We are delighted you have chosen to join us. Whether you are a longtime FPC disciple or a new friend, please sign the fellowship pad in the pew.

*Please check with an usher if you would like large print hymns. After worship, please keep your bulletin or place in the recycle baskets at each entrance.
THANK YOU!*

◆ When this symbol precedes an element of the service, please rise in body or spirit if you are able. Join in reading or singing those parts of the service printed in bold.

WE PREPARE TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE	<i>Air from Water Music</i>	Handel
ANNOUNCEMENTS		Jenny Pray
MINUTE FOR MISSION		Jack Buice
INTROIT	<i>Death Is Arrested</i>	Northpointe Worship Team Hannah Borders, solo

WE PRAISE GOD

- ◆ CALL TO WORSHIP **Philippians 1:6** Trey Thomas
I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you,
Will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ's return.
- ◆ HYMN 611 *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee* HYMN TO JOY
- ◆ PRAYER OF CONFESSION Trey Thomas
Dear God, in this ever changing world, help us to seek the things that will bring us lasting joy. When we find our priorities in the wrong order, guide us to remember that true joy can be found only when we are rooted in your love and grace. When we treat others as less than ourselves, remind us that we are all your children in need of love and acceptance. May we reach out to grasp your hand and walk more readily in your ways. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit.
- ◆ SILENT PRAYERS OF PERSONAL CONFESSION
- ◆ ASSURANCE OF PARDON Trey Thomas
Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel:
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God! Amen.
- ◆ GLORIA PATRI 581 GREATOREX

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

(Our young disciples, ages 5k and under, are dismissed for extended worship.)

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

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| PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE | Jenny Pray |
| RECOGNITION OF CHORAL INTERNS | Richard Williamson |
| EXPRESSING THE FAITH | <i>An Expression of Gratitude</i> Schwoebel
Chancel Choir |
| NEW TESTAMENT READING | <i>Philippians 1:1-18</i> Pew Bible, p. 173 |
| SERMON | <i>"Joy Comes from Christ"</i> Jennifer G. Stewart |
| ◆ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH | <i>The Apostles' Creed</i> Hymnal p. 35 |
| ◆ HYMN OF ADORATION 623 | <i>I've Got Peace Like a River</i>
PEACE LIKE A RIVER |

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE

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| OFFERTORY | <i>Jesus Loves Me</i> Ferguson
Chancel Choir |
| ◆ DOXOLOGY | OLD HUNDREDTH, Hymnal, pg. 606 |
| ◆ PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER | |
| ◆ HYMN 761 | <i>Called As Partners in Christ's Service</i> BEECHER |
| ◆ BENEDICTION | |
| ◆ POSTLUDE | <i>Trumpet Tune</i> Hopson |

Thank you to Elder Trey Thomas and Deacon Jenny Pray for serving as liturgists this morning.

As a courtesy to those worshipping with you today, please silence cell phones during our service. Please let our ushers know if you need directions to the nursery or to pick your child up from Extended Worship. A video broadcast of the service is available downstairs for those who may need to leave the sanctuary. The ushers can direct you to this room.

There are 16 references to some form of either the noun "joy" (*chara* in Greek) or the verb "rejoice" (*chairō*) in the letter to the Philippians.

'Joy' in Philippians is a defiant 'nevertheless' that Paul sets like a full stop against the Philippian's anxiety.

The joy of Paul and the Philippians was related to the bond that joined them. We don't pay enough attention to that bond these days. There should be great joy in our oneness, our fellowship, our common bond in Christ.

The sanctuary flowers are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Margaret P. Fretwell by
Ray Fretwell, Sr.,
Ray Fretwell, Jr.,
Mary B. Clark and
Elizabeth Fretwell.