

# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP | THE LORD’S DAY | JANUARY 11, 2026 | 10:45 A.M.

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**The Announcements**

**The Prelude**

**\*The Call to Worship**

**\*The Psalm of Praise** TH. No. 57.....“Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah” (Ps. 146)

**\*The Prayer of Adoration**

**\*The Confession of Faith**..... WCF 8.8

*To all those for whom Christ hath purchased redemption He doth certainly and effectually apply and communicate the same; making intercession for them, and revealing unto them, in and by the Word, the mysteries of salvation; effectually persuading them by His Spirit to believe and obey; and governing their hearts by His Word and Spirit; overcoming all their enemies by His almighty power and wisdom, in such manner and ways as are most consonant to His wonderful and unsearchable dispensation.*

**The Call To Confession**.....Psalm 106:2-3

Who can utter the mighty deeds of the LORD, or declare all His praise?  
Blessed are they who observe justice, who do righteousness at all times!

**The Prayer of Confession**

*O Lord God, who reigns on high ruling and defending the church, have mercy on us for our many sins against Your holy Law. We confess that we have neglected the weightier matters of the Law as we have followed our own desires, inventive traditions, and self-interests. Though You deserve pure worship, our hearts are often cold and indifferent to the beauty of holiness. Though our neighbors bear Your image, our hearts have been slow to move in response to the needs of even our closest family members and friends. Cleanse us of our defiling hypocrisy and self-centeredness, and grant that we would grow in grace and godliness as the Spirit teaches us how best to seek for the good of all, and especially those of the household of faith. In the Name of Christ, we pray.*

**The Silent Confession**

**The Assurance of Pardon.....Col. 1:21-22**  
And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds,  
He has now reconciled in His body of flesh by His death, in order to  
present you holy and blameless and above reproach before Him.

**\*The Hymn of Thanksgiving No. 498 ..... “Jesus! What a Friend!”**

~ We Respond to God’s Grace with Offerings of Ourselves and Our Needs

**The Offering and Encouragement to Give..... Matt. 6:19-21**  
Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust  
destroy and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves  
treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where  
thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your  
heart will be also.

**The Old Testament Reading..... Exodus 31**

**The Great Prayer..... RE John Taylor**

**\*The Hymn of Preparation No. 141 ..... “God, in the Gospel of His Son”**  
~ God Speaks to Us in His Word ~

**The Sermon .....Rev. Jim Richter**  
“Looking Unto Jesus” | Heb. 12:1-3 | Pg. 948

~ We Respond to God Speaking in His Word ~

**\*The Hymn of Response No. 642 ..... “Be Thou My Vision”**

**\*The Benediction**

**\*The Response No. 735..... “The Gloria Patri”**

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## SERMON NOTES

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR JANUARY 11, 2026

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Announcements are due 5:00 p.m. on Wednesdays and must be emailed to [office@fpfo.org](mailto:office@fpfo.org).

- ❖ We welcome Rev. James Richter to the pulpit today. James "Jim" Richter is an Honorably Retired Teaching Elder member of the Tennessee Valley Presbytery. He retired at the end of 2018 after 37 years serving as a pastor of three PCA congregations, the last for 16 years as senior pastor of Westminster Presbyterian in Johnson City, Tennessee. Jim is married to Linda. They live in Lookout Mountain, TN.
- ❖ Nominations for church office (Elder & Deacon) are being accepted in the month of January. Please be in prayer asking God to raise up additional officers to serve this congregation and to grant discernment in the nomination process.

### Keep Up With the Worship & Work of the Church

- + Sign up for text message alerts and updates by texting *FPFO* to 84576.
- + To subscribe to the prayer list, please contact the church secretary: [office@fpfo.org](mailto:office@fpfo.org).
- + Contributions may be received during the offering in worship, mailing a check to the church office, or online: [FPFO.org/give](https://fpfo.org/give)

To submit prayer requests, please email the church office or call 706-866-2521.

### FPFO Weekly Activities Schedule

#### The Lord's Day

9:30 a.m. Fellowship Time  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
10:45 a.m. Morning Worship  
5:00 p.m. Sermon Broadcast  
WAAK 94.7 FM  
6:00 p.m. Evening Worship  
(excluding First Sundays)

#### Wednesday

5:55 p.m. Covered-Dish Supper  
6:30-7:15 p.m. Prayer Meeting

**Children are always welcome in worship, but nursery is also available for children 3 and under.**

Nursery: Jan. 11: L. Bible & Sarah Wilson      Jan. 18: L. Murphy & A. Wilson