

First Presbyterian Church
721 Church St.
Jefferson City, TN 37760

LECTIONARY

June 2 (Ascension of the Lord)

Acts 1:1-11
Psalm 47:1-9 or Psalm 93:1-5
Ephesians 1:15-23
Luke 24:44-53

June 5 (7th Sunday of Easter)

Acts 1:6-14
Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35
1 Peter 4:12-14, 5:6-11
John 17:1-11

June 12 (Day of Pentecost)

Acts 2:1-21 or Numbers 11:24-30
Psalm 104:24-34, 35b
1 Corinthians 12:3b-13 or Acts 2:1-21
John 20:19-23 or John 7:37-39

June 19 (Trinity Sunday)

Genesis 1:1-2:4a
Psalm 8:1-9
2 Corinthians 13:11-13
Matthew 28:16-20

June 26 (13th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Genesis 22:1-14
Psalm 13:1-6
Romans 6:12-23
Matthew 10:40-42

Meetings This Month

Finance Mtg.—June 1st at 6:30 p.m.
Fellowship & Evangelism Mtg.—June 8th at 6:00 p.m.
Session—June 8th at 6:30 p.m.
Mission Mtg.—June 8th at 8:00 p.m.
Christian Education Mtg.—June 22nd at 6:30 p.m.

Treasurer's Report May 2011

May 1	\$1,851.00
May 8	\$4,050.00
May 15	\$3,207.00
May 22	\$3,701.00
May 29	\$0,000.00
TOTAL	\$12,809.00

*(We need \$15,387.83 to meet
monthly budget.)*

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						
Comunion Sunday School 9:30-10:30 a.m. Worship Service <i>William Gowan</i>			Stewardship & Finance. 6:30 p.m. <i>John Ribbe</i> <i>Mike Boley</i> <i>Esther O'Hare</i> <i>Jimmy Hodges</i>			
FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY 12 Sunday School 9:30-10:30 a.m. Worship Service 10:45-11:45 a.m. <i>Fertecost Service with UMC</i>	13 <i>Alex Van Bruggen</i> <i>Jim Smith</i> <i>Bob & Suzanne Fearnside</i>	14  <i>Del Deaton</i> <i>John & Eva Zirkle</i>	15 Fellowship & Evangelism 6:00 p.m. Session— 6:30 p.m. Mission Corn.—8 p.m. <i>John & Sarah Reuning</i> <i>George Twire</i>	16 <i>Sylvia Ribbe</i> <i>Jacob White</i> <i>DJ Needs</i>	17 Sit-n-Knit Group 7 p.m. <i>Matt & Jennifer Gowan</i> <i>JoAnne Vest</i>	18 <i>Meri's Breakfast 8 a.m.</i> <i>Garry Kelley</i> <i>Glenda Hollingshead</i>
Sunday School 9:30-10:30 a.m. Worship Service 10:45-11:45 a.m. Church Picnic 4 p.m. Youth Mission Trip <i>Jennifer Bates</i>	20 NEWLETTER DEADLINE <i>Anne Smith</i>	21 CE Meeting 6:30 p.m. <i>David Needs</i> <i>Jim Corbett</i> <i>Denny & Alice Pryor</i>	22 CE Meeting 6:30 p.m. <i>David Needs</i> <i>Jim Corbett</i> <i>Denny & Alice Pryor</i>	23 <i>Greg Woodruff</i>	24 <i>Allen Evans</i> <i>Allen & Susan Evans</i>	25 Hiking Club 8 a.m. <i>Sara Pifer</i> <i>Aileen Wilson</i> <i>Jim & Mary Hodges</i>
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The Amen Almanac

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Dr. Robert M. Shurden, Interim Pastor

From the Interim Pastor's Desk...

As you read these words, Irene and I will be on the verge of beginning our two week vacation at Surfside Beach, SC (June 4-18). For fourteen years, we have gathered with our daughter, son in law and the grandchildren for a period of fun, relaxation, and family bonding in the sun and sand of South Carolina. Our families are housed in side by side apartments, with balconies overlooking a pool, and a thirty yard walk to the sandy beach. No event on our family calendar occasions so much excitement and enjoyment. However, this year we wish were capable of being in two places at the same time.

In our absence, you will benefit from the thoughtful proclamation of our dear friend and former colleague, Dr. Ross Brummett on Sunday, June 5. Harry Finley will assist in the service and preside in the observance of Communion. On June 12, you will join with members from three local Methodist congregations for an outdoor worship service celebrating Pentecost Sunday. We regret that we will be unable to attend that unique and ecumenical event. We will return to the pulpit for the final two Sundays in June and to the process of transition as you welcome your new pastor, Andrew Whaley, and his wife, Rebecca, on July 1.

Since this is the final article to be submitted by this "baptisterian," I want to leave you with two words. First, congratulations. We want to congratulate the Pastor Nominating Committee for its excellent and prayerful work as they have labored to find such a marvelously qualified candidate. To Andrew and Rebecca we extend congratulations, best wishes, and our prayers as you begin a mutual ministry with a congregation that is characterized by meaningful worship of God, authentic fellowship with one another, and compassionate service to their neighbors.

Finally, a word of thanks: to the worship committee for recommending me for this interim ministry; to the people of this congregation for embracing me and Irene and gracing us with so much love; to Angie and Heather for their encouragement, assistance, and friendship, to Harry Finley for the times he mentored and assisted me in worship; to the choir for its tremendous talent and dedication; to the elders and committees for their administration of various concerns, their ministry to the youth, and educating me in the ways of the Presbyterians; to Madison and Carly in their care for the younger among us; to the young disciples who have demonstrated talent, love and joy and seemed to have loved the name, Lob; to Phil Williams whose children's sermons always thrilled the child within me; to Lyle Juroff for preserving services of worship that we will cherish; and to Mike Kustermann for his maintenance of the church web site. We pray that you have benefited from our presence among you. We have learned much from you and about your tradition. We have grown and been enriched during this "interim." Look for us to return from time to time.

Announcements Announcements

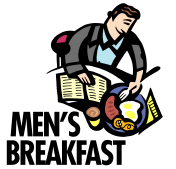


The Pastor Will Be Away

VACATION
Bob will be on vacation from Saturday, June 4th through Saturday, June 18th. We will have Elders on call in case of emergency. From Saturday, June 4th—Friday, June 10th please call Pat Patton (423-277-3257 or 423-585-0822) or Linda Noonkesser (423-839-1183 or 865-216-0715). From Saturday, June 11th—Saturday, June 18th please call Deborah Scarlett (865-740-3864 or 865-475-3747). You can also call Heather in the church office (865-475-2761).

MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST

The next breakfast for the men in our church family is scheduled for Saturday, June 11th at 8 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.



PENTECOST SUNDAY

On Sunday, June 12th we will be having a special joint service with the First United Methodist Church, George Street Methodist Church and Boyd's Chapel UMC. The service will begin at 10:45 a.m. We are asking worshippers to bring lawn chairs (to save having to move dozens of chairs out to the street and back). Dress will be casual and you may want to wear a hat. Please join us following the service for a special fellowship time on our lawn with refreshments.



Pentecost

SIT 'N KNIT GROUP

The Sit 'n Knit group will be meeting on Friday, June 17th at 7 p.m. at the home of Libby Moser. If you have any questions, please see Libby.



SMOKY MOUNTAIN (NON COMPETITIVE) HIKING CLUB

The Smoky Mountain Hiking Club will meet on Saturday, June 25th at 8 a.m. We will be hiking Cove Mountain trail to **MOUNT CAMMERER**: This will be our challenge hike for the year, and will serve as a good warmup for Mount LeConte. It's a 12 mile roundtrip to the restored stone fire lookout at the top, a steep hike, but well worth the exertion when you see the views. Don't forget to pack a lunch and some water and plan to join us!



HIKING



MT. LECONTE HIKE

The Mt. LeConte Hike is just around the bend. We will be leaving on Friday, June 30th and returning on Saturday, July 1st. If you have any questions please see John Zirkle.

CHURCH PICNIC AT THE PATTON'S

Mark your calendar for June 26th at 4:00 p.m. for our annual church picnic to be held at Pat and Mary Ellen Patton's house on the lake. It's going to be a very special picnic because we are saying a very reluctant goodbye to Bob and Irene Shurden and a very special hello and welcome to our new minister and his wife, Andrew and Rebecca Whaley. Please bring your chairs and one of your favorite dishes for our potluck dinner. Drinks will be provided. We will eat at approximately 6:00 p.m. We hope to see all of you at 7472 Circle point Dr. in Talbott! Directions can be obtained from the church office. There will be swimming, boating, and just plain visiting so come and ENJOY!!! If you have any questions, please see Pat or Mary Ellen.



YOUTH MISSION TRIP

The youth in our congregation will be heading to Sunset Gap in Cosby, TN for this year's Mission Trip. The group will be leaving on Sunday, June 26th and returning on Thursday, June 30th.

Participating in this year's Mission Trip are: Danny Bates, Lucas Kirkpatrick, Scott Kustermann, Dallas McCash, Jarret Moser, and Rachael Williams.

***An information packet is being sent out to parents, included will be a map of the center with directions, a copy of the Workers' Compensation Tri-fold, a "what to bring sheet" and a medical release form. A completed medical release form needs to be returned to the office by Sunday, June 19th. If you have any questions, please contact Kathy Juroff (475-8634).*

SAVE THE DATES! MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

APPALACHIAN OUTREACH WEEK

APPALACHIAN OUTREACH WEEK is fast approaching. Our week is Monday, July 4 - Friday, July 8, 2011. We need many VOLUNTEERS to help us cook, serve and clean-up. For Breakfast (Monday-Friday) times are 6:00 a.m. preparation and 7:00 a.m. serve and Dinner (Monday-Thursday) with a 4:30 p.m. preparation time and a 5:30 p.m. serve. On Thursday, the dinner will be served at the new Pavilion on the property that has been acquired by Appalachian Outreach for the future Samaritan House building. Sign-up sheets for those who wish to help are posted on the bulletin board in back hall! JoAnne Vest already has the menus planned. We will have 59 AO workers to feed. Thanks in advance for your help to make this Mission Project a success. If you have any questions, see Sue Swilley at 865-397-8914 or sswilley@aol.com.

YOUTH & CHILDREN'S CHOIR

The Youth & Children's Choir will not meet during the summer but will pick up again in the fall.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

The dates for this year's Vacation Bible School are July 17th-19th! VBS will be from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Be sure to check out the bulletin board in the back hallway for more information.



NEW PASTOR CHOSEN!

Andrew Clark Whaley was approved as the next Pastor of First Presbyterian Church, Jefferson City, TN, during a congregational meeting held on Sunday, May 15, 2011.

Andrew will begin his pastorate with us on Friday, July 1, 2011. He will be ordained at his home church, First Presbyterian Church, Knoxville on June 19th at 6:00 pm, and members of our congregation are welcome to attend.

Rebecca works as a Financial Planning Specialist with Ameriprise Financial in Atlanta, and she has arranged to continue her career with this company when she moves to Jefferson City. Andrew and Rebecca both are natives of Knoxville, where their parents still live. For more information about Andrew, please go to his <http://andrewcwhaley.com/>

MISSION COMMITTEE NAMES YARD SALE RECIPIENTS

Our Annual Mission Yard Sale will be on Saturday, October 1st this year and preparations are getting underway. The proceeds from this year's sale will be divided between the Appalachian mission in Cosby, Sunset Gap, and the Haitian mission of Bruce & Deb Robinson.



Working under CrossWorld, Bruce Robinson, an engineer, has worked in northeast Haiti for close to 30 years digging wells, putting in cisterns, etc. in an effort to provide clean water for drinking and developing irrigation systems for improved food production and sanitation. He hosts mission teams of engineers!! Check out Seattle University for an interesting report (<http://www.seattleu.edu/scieng/haiticoverage.aspx>).

Sunset Gap is a mission to the needy of Cocke and Severe counties, similar to Appalachian Outreach only on a smaller scale, providing home repairs, food pantry, a thrift store, and soon a lending library and GED program. Sunset Gap will host our youth in July for their annual mission trip, this year doing home repairs. Check out their web site for more interesting information (www.sunsetgap.org)

This summer as you clean out your garage, attic, and closets, be sure to set aside those good used items for our sale. We can turn them into money for these worthy organizations. Remember...ONE MAN'S TRASH IS ANOTHER MAN'S TREASURE!!

SIT 'N KNIT GROUP

The Sit 'n Knit Group is asking anyone who has extra crochet hooks or knitting needles to donate them to our cause. Then if anyone is interested in learning to crochet or knit we will have the tools for them. We're hoping to get more people interested in our prayer shawl ministry. If you have any questions, please contact Mary Ellen Patton or Libby Moser.

June 2011
Ushers, Greeters, & Nursery Schedule

JUNE 5

Ushers — Charlie Piper and John Zirkle
Greeters — John and Debby Rinehart
Nursery — Suzanne Fearnside

JUNE 12

Ushers — John and Debby Rinehart
Greeters — Kent and Susan Clouser
Nursery — JoAnne Vest

JUNE 19

Ushers — Pat and Mary Ellen Patton
Greeters — Bill and JoAnne Vest
Nursery — Dianne Reagan

JUNE 26

Ushers — Johan Koppier and Phil Williams
Greeters — Mike and Pam Kustermann
Nursery — Bili Ledgerwood



**PRAY FOR OUR
MILITARY**

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS WHO ARE
SERVING IN THE MILITARY:

LCpl Pryor (Dennis IV), F.D. Major Michael Stinnett
1st BN, 23rd MAR 9 Lost Valley Dr.
WPNS CO 1st PLT Huntington, WV 25705
Unit 42094

Major Kevin Hornburg Spec. Taylor Belton
Major Amy Carpenter 1706 SW 8th St.
13355 Cedarville Way Lawton, OK 73501
Colorado Springs, CO 80922

Col. Martha Sanders Lt Col. Chris Hornburg
99-1440 Aiea Heights Dr. 25617 Creek Run Terrace
#22 South Riding, VA 20152
Aiea, HI 93701-2904

Randy White Dennis Pryor IV
Stationed in Afghanistan Stationed in Afghanistan

If you have a family member or friend who is serving in the
Armed Forces, please let us know so that we can add them to
our list.



Don't forget Father's Day on
Sunday, June 19th.



Congratulations

OUR 2011 GRADUATES ARE:

Shane Hollingshead, Jefferson County
High School, December 2010

Madison Minor, Carson-Newman College,
Bachelor of Arts Degree in Human Services,
December 2010

Josh Adams, Carson-Newman College,
Bachelor Degree's in Financial Economics and
Communications, May 2011

Sarah Cheaves, Walter's State,
Associate's Degree in Agriculture Business,
May 2011

Andrew Dykstra, University of Tennessee,
Ph.D. in Biochemistry, May 2011

Whitney Folsom, University of Kentucky, Col-
lege of Pharmacy, Doctor of Pharmacy Degree,
May 2011

**USHERS, GREETERS and
NURSERY ASSISTANTS**

Within in the next few weeks I will be
compiling the third quarter schedule of
Ushers, Greeters & Nursery Attend-
ants. If you would like to be added/
removed from any of these lists please let me know by
emailing me at fpcjctn@bellsouth.net, calling the church
office (865) 475-2761 or leaving a note in the office
manager box in the hallway. Please let me know by no
later than Sunday, June 19th. Thanks, Heather.



THANK YOU

Dear Church Family,

The Gowan Family would like to thank you for the
many kindnesses, support, and prayers that you have
given us following the F5 tornado that destroyed so
homes in Alabama on April 27th, including Adam and Me-
gan's.

Adam, Megan, and Aidan are now living in an apart-
ment in Huntsville. They have rented furniture, a washer-
-dryer, plates, linens, etc. They have replaced his truck
and we have replaced our car. They plan on rebuilding and
have already talked to their contractor. Adam is back
at work and they are busy trying to get settled before
their baby girl is born in two months. They have certain-
ly used the gifts that you have sent them. Diapers,
clothes, food and household cleaners are only a few of
the items they have replaced thanks to your generosi-
ty.

Thank you again and may God continue to bless you.

The Gowan Family

New Address:

Adam and Megan Gowan
2422 Old Fairway Road
Huntsville, Alabama 35806

Eldertorial
Pat Patton

June 2011. I am writing about June as I experienced it on the farm when I was 10 years old. When the school year ended in late April, off came the shoes and they stayed off except for attending church or a trip to town or the county seat. By June, my feet were tough enough to walk or run on anything or anywhere.

The corn was planted and preparations were made to harvest the wheat with a binder and threshing machine. We were next to last on the threshing ring and I would lay in the yard and wait for the steam engine, with my uncle walking in front of it. Each farmer had to furnish fuel and water for the steam engine.

The mid-day meal was called dinner. No one has really experienced dinner unless he has been to one of these threshing dinners. The women prepared fried chicken, roast beef, pork chops and fried ham along with lots of vegetables and iced tea was served from twenty gallon jugs. The farmer whose wheat was being threshed also had someone carry water to the field workers. This usually involved riding a horse or driving a pony cart.

We lived about a mile from our church. In the summer there were many extra events, such as children's programs and ice cream socials, so we spent a lot of time there. It was not only our church but a place to gather together.

Farmers did a lot of things together. There was no television and very few had a radio. When Franklin Roosevelt, our president at that time, gave a "fireside chat" many would go to the local grocery store to hear him speak. Not too many farmers liked him but they all wanted to hear what he had to say.

The Great Depression didn't affect us much as we raised most of our own food. One of my most remembered moments had to do with the Great Depression. My father was a township trustee and had flour to give to the needy. One family in the area asked him for flour and he refused because they would not work when offered a job. They went to the county and my father was ordered to give them flour. They drove to our house and laughed at him as they carried the flour to the car.

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The Mission Committee has received a Newsletter from Bruce and Deb Robinson who are friends of Eva and John Zirkle and serve as business missionaries in Haiti. We sent them funds last year to help with their efforts to help Haiti recover from the effects of the earthquake. The Newsletter reports on what has happened in Haiti since the earthquake...Hurricane Tomas, then cholera...and their response to these natural disasters. Eva contacted Bruce by E-mail to ask if he had any special needs now. His answering E-mail addresses their most pressing needs. You can read the Newsletter and his E-mail on a Bulletin Board in the back hall. You could also read them on our FPC website. The Mission Committee plans to send them a gift this month, but we would like to send them a larger gift later in June, and give you an opportunity to add a gift of your own to the Mission Committee funds. If you choose to do so, write your check to FPC and put Haiti Relief on memo line.



FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF:

Jim Lester, Tom Kirkpatrick's stepdad, who passed away last week
Tim O'Neill, Frances Wolf's brother, who passed away this week

SPECIAL CONCERNS:

All members of the military and their families, especially those stationed overseas
The unemployed

ILL AND RECOVERING:

BJ Skeen, who is recovering from surgery
Marty Hulett, Melissa Needs' dad, who is recovering from a serious bacterial infection
Marie Nickle, who is undergoing chemotherapy
Ethan Carhart, son of Ina Hoxha Carhart, who has had complications following surgery
Linda Noonkesser, who will be undergoing radiation in the coming weeks
David Nester, who is undergoing treatments following successful surgery
Carl Vandiver, friend of JoAnne Vest, who has been diagnosed with stomach cancer
Kevin Taylor, Seth Jolley's brother-in-law, who is undergoing treatment for 2 brain tumors
Nancy Johnson, Debby Rinehart's sister-in-law, who has completed her radiation treatments
Freida Hunley, Judy Finley's daughter, whose cancer has returned and is undergoing chemotherapy
Sandy Jaros, who is undergoing another round of chemotherapy
Gene Inzer, Judy Finley's brother-in-law
Jan Haney, friend of Martha Sanders, who has suffered a stroke and is undergoing extensive therapy
Lauren Drees, mother of Whitney Folsom's fiancé, who is undergoing chemotherapy
Jean Orth, Bill Ledgerwood's sister-in-law, who has been diagnosed with lung cancer
Chris Jarrett, Debby Rinehart's cousin, who is undergoing treatment for cancer
Lennis Williams, Phil Williams' mother
Ardelia Evans, Allen Evans' mother
Annette Hall, Deborah Scarlett's mom, whose cancer has returned

THOSE UNABLE TO BE WITH US:

Lucille Tinsley
Bonnie Young

IN RESIDENTIAL FACILITIES:

DARBY HOUSE: Pam Rutherford, Betty Wolfe
CHANDLER HOUSE: Argie Saylor, Helen Hodges
ELMCROFT (Knoxville): Aileen Wilson
JEFF. COUNTY NURSING HOME: Elizabeth Felknor, Frances Woodruff, Isabel Sites