



We are glad you chose to worship with us this morning. If you are in search of a church home, we invite you to consider the Collierville Presbyterian family. If you have any questions or want to know more about membership you may let us know through the fellowship pad, or by contacting the pastor or another elder.

Remember in prayer ...

We experience unity in the Spirit as we pray for our brothers and sisters in Christ in this Presbytery and around the world as well as for the Presbyterian Church (USA) Mission Workers in 63 countries. Today we lift up the **First Presbyterian Church (McKenzie, TN)**.

THOSE IN MISSION

- ◆ Robert Gamble and his missionary work with "This Child Here"
- ◆ The Plath Family and their missionary work in Rexburg, Idaho

ALL CHILDREN & YOUTH OF OUR CHURCH

GRADUATE & UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

Ava Jett
Griffin Jett
Allison Kerr
Madeline Lunsford
Alyssa McArthur
John Miller
Kara Robinson
Ethan Williams
Ethan Wright

THE MEN AND WOMEN OF OUR ARMED FORCES

Will Locastro
Michael Foster (Heather Foster's Brother-in-law)
Daniel Hewitt (Karen Wimpee's nephew)
Blake Merr (Billy & Lynn Staggs)
Jeff Cross and Family (Lynn Staggs)

Prayer Requests ...

The Residents of Village of Paijuiles
Mary Ann Harris^(01/10)
Ben Brownlee^{2/13} (Friend of Jim Wilcox)
Trish Gurney^{1/12} (John Gurney's mother)
Tanika Obeysekere^{2/16} (Friend of Cari Barney)
Faye Ray^{6/16} (Melanye Lunsford's mother)
Billy Staggs
Dotty Coulson
Cathy Church

Jo Hall
Mary Ann Epperson
Ruby Mears
Margaret Hewitt (Karen Wimpee's mother)
Ruth Lewis
Tyler Sain
The Family of Howard Wilcox (Jim Wilcox's uncle)
The Family of Linda Sue Haney
The Family of Don Bassett

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA)

COLLIERVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SEPTEMBER 18, 2016



*Rev. Mark Wright, Pastor
Reneé Murray, Accompanist*

Welcome! We are truly glad that you are here today! We hope that you will experience the love and presence of God today as we seek to glorify God and live as His faithful disciples. If you are visiting with us today, you are our honored guests and hope that you will feel at home and a part of our family of faith. Feel free to be yourself, a beloved child of God.

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GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Joy Tetley, England

(As we prepare ourselves for worship, let us individually pray.) **God of illumination, you call us beyond our imagining to tasks beyond our powers. Empower our service and enlighten our worship that we may know and proclaim the light of the world. Amen.**

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREETING ONE ANOTHER

INTROIT

“How Lovely, Lord”

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (**Please stand if able.*)

Leader: We have heard about you, God of all power.

People: You made the world out of kindness, creating order out of confusion;

Leader: you made each of us in your own image: your fingerprint is on every soul.

People: So we praise you.

All: We praise and worship you.

Leader: We have heard about you, Jesus Christ;

People: the carpenter who left his tools and trade; the poor man who made others rich;

Leader: the healer who let himself be wounded; the criminal on whom the soldiers spat not knowing they were fouling the face of God; the savior who died and rose again.

People: So we praise you.

All: We praise and worship you.

Leader: We have heard about you, Holy Spirit.

People: You broke the bonds of every race and nation, to let God speak in every tongue; you made disciples drunk with grace; you converted souls and emptied pockets;

Leader: you showed how love made all things new and opened the doors to change and freedom.

People: So we praise you.

All: We praise and worship you.

***OPENING PRAYER**

***HYMN 461**

“God Is Here!”

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (*In Unison*)

God of the people, you have called us to walk humbly before you and to share in the struggle with the least of these, yet we have failed to live up to this call. Today, we come before you asking your Spirit to empower us to be agents of transformation for our community and the world. Make us a chalice from which all can truly find the living waters of God, who calls us to live a life of service, of humility, and of reconciliation with you, with our neighbors, and with the world. Amen. Now in your mercy, hear our silent prayers. (*In silence, offer your own personal confession.*)

***DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** (*Sung by all*) **“Gloria Patria”**

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 GOD'S WORD

THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

ANTHEM

“Near to the Heart of God”

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Mark 1: 14-20; 2:13-17 (*NT p. 35, 36*)
1 Corinthians 1:26-31 (*NT p. 166*)

SERMON

“First Responders”

MEDITATIVE SILENCE

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

***HYMN 377**

“Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore”

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (*In Unison*) **Apostles' Creed**

(Located on inside, back cover of the hymnal. Alternate Text: Holy Spirit to be spoken where Holy Ghost would be spoken.)

JOYS AND CONCERNS

A TIME OF PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (*Alternate Text: Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.*)

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

***THE DOXOLOGY** **“Old Hundredth”**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

GOING OUT IN GOD'S NAME

***HYMN 335**

“Though I May Speak”

***CHARGE AND BLESSING**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** **“Three-Fold Amen Denmark”**

Amen, Amen, Amen

POSTLUDE

**Those who are able, please stand.*