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SUNDAY SCHOOL		
ATTENDANCE	8/23/2026	28
VIRTUAL ATTENDANCE	8/23/2026	--
OFFERING	8/23/2026	\$1,830.00

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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Pikeville

Service for the Lord's Day

14th Sunday after Pentecost

August 30, 2026



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Welcome & Announcements

Greeting

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Prelude

*Call to Worship

Seek the Lord! Seek God in the wilderness.

Seek God in the sanctuary.

Seek God in the burning bush.

Seek God in the burning heart.

The Lord is here!

This place is holy! We are standing on holy ground.

*Hymn

The God of Abraham Praise

#488

*Prayer of Confession

God of wonders, we confess that we do not understand why you call us when we are scared, clumsy, busy or flawed. We confess that we think we know better than you do who is qualified to do your work. Forgive our fears and excuses and self-doubts. Lend us your fire and your strength, as we go about the work of serving our neighbors, building up your church, loving your children, and tending to the scorched places of our world. Help us to burn for you, without burning up or burning out. Give us a purpose and the courage to pursue it. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

Hear the good news! New life rises from the ashes. In Christ, your sins are dead and you are alive to all that is good. In Christ, we are made whole; in Christ, we are forgiven.

Alleluia! Amen.

*Gloria Patri

*Passing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**



* All who are able may stand.



Prayer for Illumination

Divine Light, shine on these pages that the stories may speak again to us today. Shine on our hearts that we might know how to respond. Amen.

Letters

Romans 12:9-21

Holy wisdom, holy word. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel

Matthew 16:21-28

Thy Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Rob Musick, UPIKE chaplain

Hymn

When Israel Was in Egypt's Land

#334

Affirmation of Faith- *The 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.

Prayers of the People/Lord's Prayer

Offertory

*Doxology

Hymn

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

*insert

*Charge & Blessing

Postlude



Congregation speaks bolded lines

Announcements



- Any members, visitors, and key holders! If you are visiting/working in the church outside of service times, please be sure to let Pastor Scot or Sara know. If during office hours please come in building through the office door. THANK YOU!



- We need your hymn suggestions! Do you have a favorite hymn? Is there a song we haven't played in worship in a while you would like to hear? Have a song suggestion we haven't done before? If so, fill out one of the hymn suggestion cards and place it in the bowl on the table in the main hallway.



- We are still collecting donations of non-perishable food items to have on hand at the Office to hand out to those in need. Examples of what is needed is: canned soups or vegetables, boxed food items, bottles of water and even toiletries.

- Online giving is available! Just scan the QR code below to give using your credit/debit card.



- A special-called congregation meeting will be held on Sunday, September 6, 2026, immediately following worship. The purpose of the meeting is to vote on dissolving the pastoral relationship between Rev. Scot Robinson and First Presbyterian Church, Pikeville. Scot has accepted a call to Cynthiana Presbyterian Church, Cynthiana, Kentucky.



GUEST PEACHER

We extend a warm welcome today to Rev. Rob Musick! Rev. Musick joins us in worship this morning and will be preaching the Sermon.



I Have Decided to Follow Jesus 376

Whoever serves Me must follow Me. John 12:26

1. I have de - cid - ed to fol - low Je - sus, I have de - cid - ed
2. The world be - hind me, the cross be - fore me; The world be - hind me,
3. Tho' none go with me, I still will fol - low, Tho' none go with me,
4. Will you de - cide now to fol - low Je - sus? Will you de - cide now

to fol - low Je - sus, I have de - cid - ed to fol - low Je - sus,
the cross be - fore me; The world be - hind me, the cross be - fore me, No turn - ing
I still will fol - low, Tho' none go with me, I still will fol - low,
to fol - low Je - sus? Will you de - cide now to fol - low Je - sus?

Optional choral ending

back, no turn - ing back. I have de - cid - ed to fol - low Him.

Prayer Concerns

Mission Partners:

Appalachian Pregnancy Care Center
Judi's Place
Thankful Hearts Food Pantry
Thursday's Child
United Helping Hands
WestCare Perry Cline Emergency Shelter
WJSO

Shut-ins in our church family:

Carmella Lawson
Lynn Levy

Long term needs in our church family:

* means was recently requested extra prayers

Pat Arnett
Jayne Baird
Dewey & Kathy Bishop
Brenda Blackburn
Diana Damron
Willis Estep
Linda Ford
Hannah Hopkins
Nathaniel Levy

John McGregor
Guy Moyer
Meg Sidle
Judi Patton
Chip Salyers
Miranda Stacy*
Allison Stewart
Jesse Stewart
Fred Syck
David Zoellers

Family of
Kenny Ray Belcher

Antonia Holland

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Family of
Levi Coleman

Shawn Webb

**The Strausser
Family**

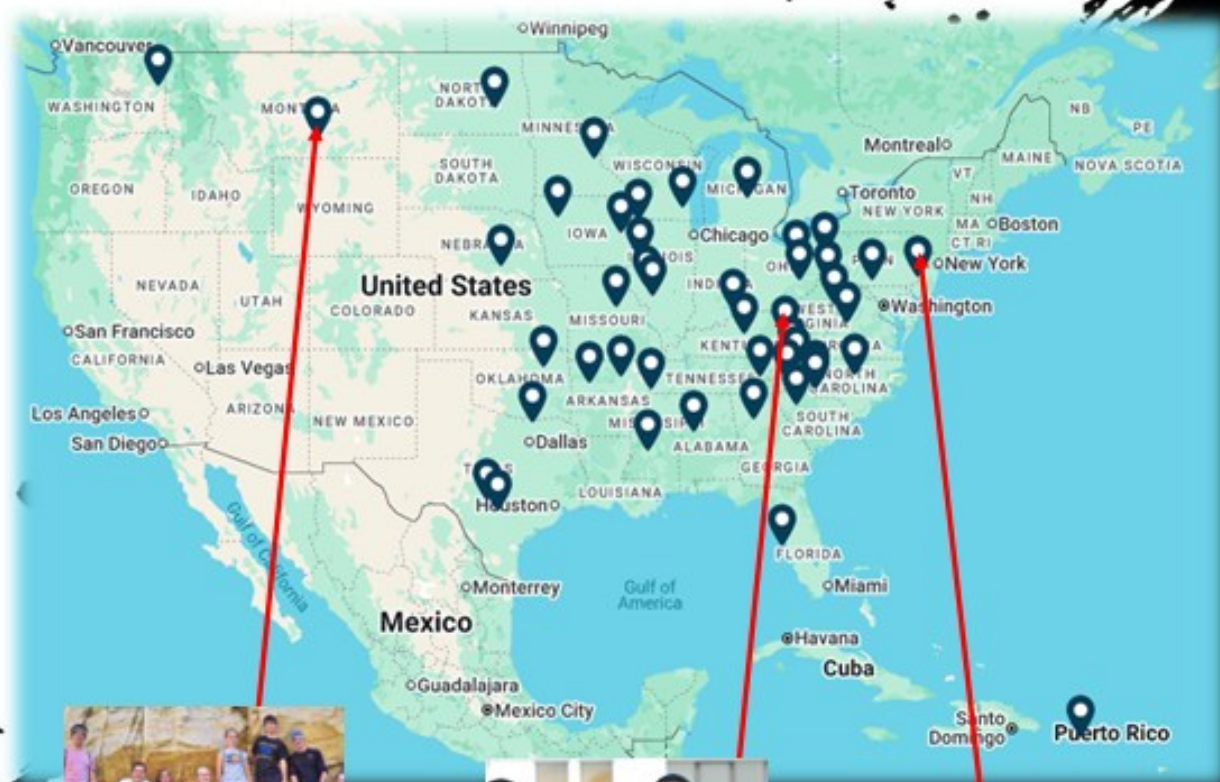
Family of
David Deskins

Family of
Farinda Wood

Please give updates to Prayer Requests as we would love to see how God is working in those moments of need. All Prayer Requests will be taken off the Bulletin after 4 weeks unless requested for more prayer needs.

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Sermon

Date: _____

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