

Serving Today

LITURGISTS: Russ Pearson - Chapel
Mark Plemmons - Sanctuary
SOUND: Gary Hallen
WORSHIP TECHNOLOGY: Youth Group Members
GREETERS & USHERS: Bob Stoots - Chapel
GREETERS & USHERS: Mark and Sarah Barbour - Sanctuary
TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES: Russ Pearson
FLOWER DELIVERY: Kim Alvis

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS ARE DEDICATED
TO THE GLORY OF GOD
in loving memory of
Donald E. Brown and Laura Caroline Brown
by Joyce M. Brown.

First Presbyterian Church

Kingsport, Tennessee

*Seeking to see the face of Christ...
Striving to be the hands of Christ*



Fifth Sunday in Lent
April 3, 2022
8:45 & 11:00 a.m.

GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

BELLS OF GOD'S PRESENCE

WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE CHURCH AND COMMUNITY
MINUTE FOR MISSION ~ Outreach and Evangelism

Allen Wright

PRELUDE

8:45

“Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed”

arr. Duane Funderburk

11:00

“Of the Glorious Body Telling”

Gregorian chant,

arr. Richard Jeffrey-Grey

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, for his steadfast love endures forever.

People: **We have come seeking the God who seeks us. We have been redeemed, so we can tell the world of his love and forgiveness.**

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

People: **God's steadfast love endures forever!**

*HYMN OF PRAISE No. 39

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness” (vs. 1,3)

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, we do not understand why you keep on loving us. We hurt our loved ones.

We turn our backs on need. We seek revenge for petty wrongs in petty ways. We do not understand why you keep on loving us. Yet even as we speak these words, we know your presence and your love.

We are sorry, O God, for we know that sins against one another are sins against you.

Make us strong and tender, we pray, that we may live more as you would have us live.

(silent prayer)

KYRIE

D. Johnson

Lord, have mercy upon us; Christ, have mercy upon us; Lord, have mercy upon us.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, to forgive our follies and foibles,
to accept us as we are, and to set us free from the power of evil and make us what we were meant to be.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

*SUNG RESPONSE

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

**Praise to our Holy God; praise to His loving Son; praise to His Spirit who fills us with grace!
Loved and redeemed, we become Christ's own Body, freed to God's service in lives filled with praise!**

*PEACE OF CHRIST

HEARING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

NEW TESTAMENT READING

1 Peter 3:8-17

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (11:00) ~ Adeline Gray Loren

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 18:21-35

SERMON

“If God Forgave us the Way we Forgive Others”

Mike Shelton

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

“Let Us Break Bread Together”

(No. 525)

**Let us share God's forgiveness on our knees; let us share God's forgiveness on our knees.
When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.**

**Let us break bread together on our knees; Let us drink wine together on our knees.
When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.**

**Let us praise God together on our knees; let us praise God together on our knees.
When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.**

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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.

MORNING PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

(11:00) *As directed, please come forward in the center aisle to receive your elements, and carry them back to your pew by the side aisle. We will partake together as led.*

INVITATION

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

MUSICAL MEDITATION

PRAYER

OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD

(8:45)

“Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive”

(Tune: Amazing Grace)

**“Forgive our sins as we forgive,” you taught us, Lord, to pray;
But you alone can grant us pow'r to live the words we say.**

**You gave yourself that we may share the wine and bread of grace;
With thankful hearts we offer you our words and deeds of praise.**

**Lord, cleanse the depths within our souls, and bid resentment cease;
Then, by your mercy reconciled, our lives will spread your peace.**

(11:00)

“My Song in the Night”

arr. M. Wilberg

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Holy God, it is with joy that we respond to your presence in our lives. Please receive these gifts as our “thank you.” Thank you for choosing us as your own. Thank you for guiding and protecting us through life's storms. Thank you for the privilege of serving you. Thank you for your love.

THE SENDING

*HYMN OF DEDICATION NO. 543

“God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me”

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONCLUDING PRAISE

8:45

“My Faith Looks Up to Thee”

arr. Dennis Alexander

11:00

“If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee”

arr. Harold Vetter