

Serving Today

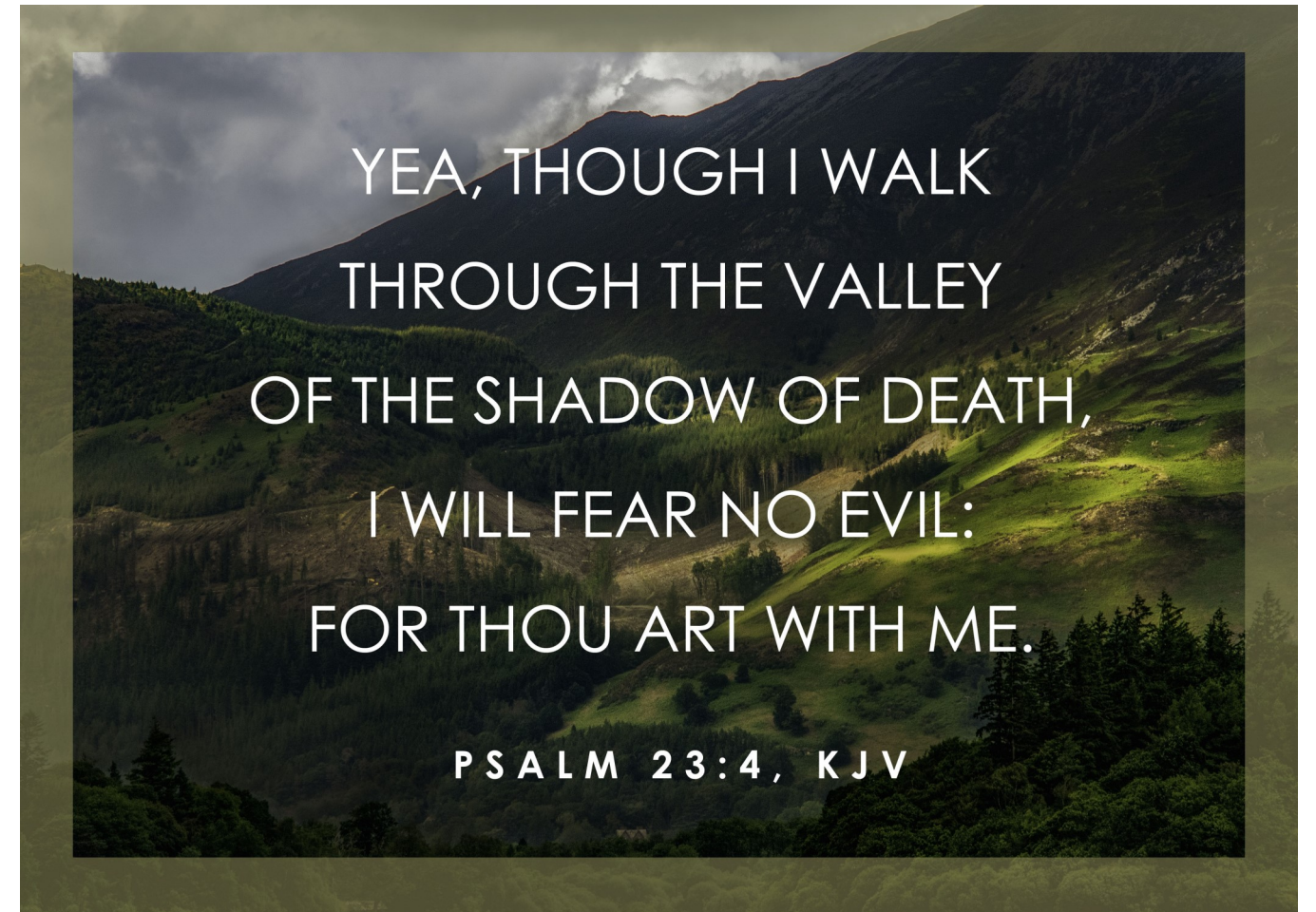
LITURGISTS: Stewart Baggett - Chapel
Lynetta Johnson - Sanctuary
SOUND: Andrew Hagan
WORSHIP TECHNOLOGY: Youth Group Members
TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES: Russ Pearson
FLOWER DELIVERY: Katy Mink

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS ARE DEDICATED
TO THE GLORY OF GOD
in memory of Buddy Waggoner
by Debbie Waggoner.

First Presbyterian Church

Kingsport, Tennessee

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



Service of the Lord's Day
May 29, 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

PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP
Leader: God is like the gentle shepherd,
People: **Leading us beyond our wants,**
Leader: Leading us beyond our fears,
People: **Leading us to a place of rest,**
Leader: Where we sing the music of God's love,
People: **And we feel his strength to walk through the valleys and shadows of this life, leading us all the way home.**

*HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 519 “You Are My All in All”

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION
(Choir): Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants, beyond my fears, from death into life.

Good Shepherd, your love for us is eternal and your care for us is persistent, but how we resist your guidance. We wander off, tempted by quick and flashy solutions. We hold back, cautiously seeing what others are choosing. We bleat our criticisms to anyone who will listen. We rush ahead, confident that we know best. Strong Shepherd, draw us close to you so your voice will echo in our hearts and your love will guide our steps. Call us again by name and lead us in paths of peace...

(silent prayer)

(All): Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants, beyond my fears, from death into life.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON
Leader: The shepherd who calls us to follow him leads us beside still waters and restores our souls. His love is without limit. Brothers and sisters, God’s mercy is embodied in the one we call the Christ, who faithfully leads us all the days of our lives. Know that we are forgiven and be at peace.
People: **Thanks be to God!**

*SUNG RESPONSE “Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”
*Savior, like a shepherd, you have sought us; you have freed us in our need.
You have placed us on your shoulders, from death’s peril we are freed.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, may our lives show forth your ways;
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, may our hearts be filled with praise.*

*PEACE OF CHRIST

HEARING GOD’S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Psalms 23:4-6*

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

GOSPEL READING *John 14:1-6*

SERMON “Through the Shadow” Mike Shelton

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

*HYMN OF RESPONSE NO. 775 “I Want Jesus to Walk with Me”

*I want Jesus to walk with me; I want Jesus to walk with me;
All along my pilgrim journey, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.
In the valley, Lord, walk with me; in the valley, Lord, walk with me;
When the dark fears overcome me, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.
When I dine with my enemies; when I dine with my enemies;
May we share your table of mercy, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD
(8:45) “O Jesus, I Have Promised”
*O Jesus, I have promised to serve you to the end; be now and always near me, my Shepherd and my friend; I shall not fear the valley if you are by my side, nor wander from the pathway, is you will be my guide.
O Jesus, you have promised to all who follow you, that where you are in glory your servant will be too.
And, Jesus, I have promised to serve you to the end; now give me grace to follow, my Shepherd and my friend.*

(11:00) “The Lord Is My Shepherd” H. Goodall

PRAYER OF DEDICATION
Holy God, take our lives and let them be consecrated to you. Take our days and let them be moments for praise. Take our gifts and let them be used to show forth your kingdom. All that you have given, let us hold with open hands and offer back to you. Amen.

THE SENDING

*HYMN OF DEDICATION NO. 803 “My Shepherd Will Supply My Need”

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONCLUDING PRAISE

*Those who are able please stand