

Serving Today

LITURGISTS: Mark Davis - Chapel
Richard Meyer - Sanctuary
SOUND: Olin Babb
WORSHIP TECHNOLOGY: Youth Group Members
GREETERS & USHERS: Carolyn Doerfert - Chapel
GREETERS & USHERS: Roger and Agnese Goin - Sanctuary
TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES: Russ Pearson
FLOWER DELIVERY: Florence Godat

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS ARE DEDICATED
TO THE GLORY OF GOD
in memory of Captain Herb and Amy Ladley.

First Presbyterian Church

Kingsport, Tennessee

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

WHATEVER IS *true,*
WHATEVER IS *honorable,*
WHATEVER IS *just,*
WHATEVER IS *pure...*
IF THERE IS ANYTHING
worthy of praise,
THINK ABOUT THESE THINGS.
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Service for the Lord's Day
July 31, 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 ~ Clothes Closet

PRELUDE

8:45

“Morning Prayer”

Richard Meyer

11:00

“Processional March”

Peter Tchaikovsky

Jeremiah Clarke

Linda Waltner and Tammie Davis, hammered dulcimer

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We gather as God's people:

People: **To seek direction in the living of our lives.**

Leader: We gather as God's people:

People: **To be still and listen for what God would have us do.**

Leader: We rejoice that we are God's people:

People: **To be renewed and restored. To serve, to love and to sing God's praise.**

INVOCATION SONG

“Whatever Is True”

M. Davis

*Whatever is true, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely,
whatever is noble and worthy of praise, think upon these things...(repeat)*

(All join second time)

*HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 630

“Fairest Lord Jesus”

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, we stand before you as broken people-broken in mind and spirit. By our action or inaction, we have left a trail of hurt, anger and grief. We have put our own desires ahead of those we say we love, most especially you. We seek to make amends, but we cannot do it on our own. Create a yearning in our hearts for you and the desire to walk in your ways. We ask your forgiveness, and to be made whole in you...

(silent prayer)

KYRIE

“Sanctuary” *(please join the second time):*

*Lord, forgive me, I am in need of mercy; hear my prayer, Lord; I seek You.
Christ, have mercy, heal and forgive me; may I serve You, all new.*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: God knows our frailties and looks upon us with compassion and mercy.

Receive the gift of God’s forgiveness with joy and thanksgiving!

People: **Thanks be to God!**

*SUNG RESPONSE

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow ”

No. 609

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, Alleluia!
Praise God in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one. Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

*PEACE OF CHRIST

HEARING GOD’S WORD

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Philippians 4:4-9

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 12:43-45

SERMON

“We Are What We Think”

Mike Shelton

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

*HYMN OF RESPONSE NO. 621

“I Will Call Upon the Lord”

(sing through twice)

*A BRIEF STATEMENT OF FAITH

PCUSA

Through the grace of our Lord Jesus, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. He proclaimed God’s reign. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain, and giving his life for the sins of the world. We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. In sovereign love, God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God’s image, male and female, of every race and people. We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life, who justifies us by grace through faith, who sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor. With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD

(8:45)

“Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord”

No. 707

*Take thou our minds, dear Lord, we humbly pray; give us the mind of Christ each passing day;
Teach us to know the truth that sets us free; grant us in all our thoughts to honor thee.*

*Take thou ourselves, O Lord, heart, mind, and will; through our surrendered souls thy plans fulfill.
We yield ourselves to thee: time, talents, all; we hear, and henceforth heed, thy sovereign call.*

(11:00)

“Jesu, Joy of Man’s Desiring”

J.S. Bach, arr. Linda Waltner

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God, every act of giving and every perfect gift is born of you and of your perfect and unchanging love. It is in response to that love that we offer our tithes and offerings. Use them — and us —to advance the gospel of peace. For Christ’s sake. Amen.

THE SENDING

*HYMN OF DEDICATION NO. 408

“There’s a Sweet, Sweet Spirit”

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONCLUDING PRAISE

8:45

“Fairest Lord Jesus”

arr. Dennis Alexander

11:00

“Forest Green”

English folk tune, arr. Anne Barry

*Those who are able please stand