Serving Today

LITURGISTS: Don Sharitt - Chapel

Russ Pearson - Sanctuary

SOUND: Olin Babb

WORSHIP TECHNOLOGY: Youth Group Members
GREETERS & USHERS: Stewart Baggett - Chapel

GREETERS & USHERS: Carol Dixon and Claudia Mihovk- Sanctuary

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES: Russ Pearson **FLOWER DELIVERY:** Kim Alvis

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS ARE DEDICATED TO THE GLORY OF GOD

Breads of the World for World Communion Sunday

Baguette from France - thin stick of bread identified by slits in the top;
Italian Round - rich subtle flavor with crusty slit top crust;
Pita from Greece - flat bread with pocket for fillings;
Naan from India - leavened flatbread made in Tandor oven;
Tortilla from Mexico - unleavened flatbread made with wheat or corn flour;
Rewena Paraoa from New Zealand - Sourdough potato bread.

First Presbyterian Church

Kingsport, Tennessee

Seeking to see the face of Christ...

Striving to be the hands of Christ



World Communion Sunday

Service for the Lord's Day
Oct. 2, 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 Stewardship ~ Jeremy Lively

PRELUDE

8:45 "Korean Communion Hymn" (hymnal #508) 11:00 "Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ" Hyun Chui Lee Jamaican Folk Tune, arr. John Behnke

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Everyone come, and refresh without money and without price.

People: Our hunger is not slight. We thirst for harmony, and hunger for integrity.

Leader: Listen, for we have words of life. Your yearning shall be filled;

your longing shall be touched.

People: Holy God, who satisfied the hungry and quenched the thirst of all who seek you: grant us now the gift of attentiveness, that our eyes may see the favor of your love.

*Hymn of Praise No. 530

"One Bread, One Body"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God, we are familiar with the wilderness. Like Elijah, we know what it is to be bone-weary; to feel discouraged and hopeless; to want to flee all responsibilities and needs that never end. Yet it is our forgetfulness that paves the wilderness path: we forget to be grateful for your many blessings. We forget to serve in your strength, not our own. We forget to pray first, rather than after we have exhausted our own wisdom. We forget that you are always with us, that you care about us in our pain and weariness, that your grace is sufficient for the demands of this day. Forgive us, Lord, and restore to us the peace of your presence...

(silent prayer)

Kyrie

D. Johnson

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: When we return to the Lord, God is gracious and merciful, abounding in steadfast love.

Believe the Good News: In Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

People: Thanks be to God!

*SUNG RESPONSE

"Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me"

No. 582

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

*PEACE OF CHRIST

HEARING GOD'S WORD

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING

1 Kings 17:7-16

GOSPEL READING Mark 6:30-44

SERMON "We Are Never Enough, but God Is" Mike Shelton

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*Hymn of Response no. 526

"Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ"

*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.

MORNING PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

(11:00) Communion will be served by intinction at the 11:00 a.m. service. Worshippers are invited to come forward by rows, take a piece of bread, dip it in the cup and partake. If you prefer, individual cups are available from the elder closest to the outside aisle. If you have difficulty coming to the front of the sanctuary, an elder will be happy to serve you in your seat.

INVITATION
WORDS OF INSTITUTION
THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING
COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE
MUSICAL MEDITATION
PRAYER

OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD

(8:45)

"God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending" (vs. 1,3)

God, whose giving knows no ending, from your rich and endless store, nature's wonder, Jesus' wisdom, costly cross, grave's shattered door: gifted by you, we turn to you, offering up ourselves in praise; thankful song shall rise forever, gracious donor of our days.

Treasure, too, you have entrusted, in your pow'r your grace conferred: ours to use for home and kindred, and to spread the gospel word. Open wide our hands in sharing, as we heed Christ's ageless call, healing, teaching, and reclaiming, serving you by loving all.

(11:00)

"Beautiful Saviour"

Arr.T. Fettke

Vs.1 (German) Beautiful Saviour, King of Creation, Son of God, and Son of Man! Truly I'd love Thee; truly I'd serve Thee, Light of my soul, my Joy, my Crown!

Vs.2 (Spanish) Fair are the meadows; fair are the woodlands, robed in flowers of blooming spring.

Jesus is fairer; Jesus is purer. He makes our sorrowing spirits sing!

Vs.3 (French) Beautiful Saviour; Lord of the nations; Son of God, and Son of Man! Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be Thine!

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God, as we offer our gifts, we sometimes hesitate to give because of the magnitude of the need. Let us give of ourselves and our bounty because we can. Amen.

THE SENDING

*Hymn of Dedication no. 69

"I, the Lord of Sea and Sky"

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONCLUDING PRAISE

8:45 11:00 "This Little Light of Mine/Deep and Wide" "Siyahamba"

Spirituals, arr. Melody Bober South African Freedom Song, arr. John Behnke