

Serving Today

LITURGIST: Cheryl Rice - Chapel
Mark Plemmons - Sanctuary
SOUND: Andrew Hagan
TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES: Russ Pearson
FLOWER DELIVERY: Barbara Maston

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS ARE DEDICATED
TO THE GLORY OF GOD
in celebration of Gary and Catherine Tucker's
50th Wedding Anniversary
on February 16, 2023.

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

February 19, 2023

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 (8:45) “There’s a Sweet, Sweet Spirit” arr. D. Neff
(11:00) Meditation on “O When the Saints Go Marching In” D. Neff

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God’s mighty acts among us are well-known.

People: **We are a people of history.**

Leader: God’s redemptive acts were epitomized in Christ Jesus.

People: **We are a people of faith.**

Leader: God’s salvation gives us hope and courage to affect history.

People: **We are a people of vision.**

Leader: God cherishes fellowship with us in worship.

People: **We are ready to magnify God for what we have been given,
for what we are, and for what, by his grace, we may become.**

*HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 633 “Praise Ye the Lord” (Psalm 150)
(All sing Refrain; Choir sings verses)

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**For this day’s sins, God, grant us mercy: for sloth that wasted hours, or for haste which outran
its benedictions; for fear that stalled bold hopes, or dullness that took everything for granted; for
anger that erupted destructively, or indifference that smothered the soul; for suspicion wrongly held,
or for trust cheaply betrayed; for indecision which avoided the evil, or for compromise which disguised it.**

(silent prayer)

KYRIE “Seek Ye First”

***Lord, have mercy upon my soul; Christ, have mercy on me;
forgive my sins, and make me whole; Lord, forgive, and restore me.***

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: When we reach out in faith, God comes near in love. When we humbly seek forgiveness,
God responds with mercy and grace. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and loved.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

*SUNG RESPONSE “Give Thanks”

***Give thanks with a grateful heart; give thanks to the Holy One; give thanks, because we’re given Jesus Christ,
the Son. And now, let the weak say, “We are strong”; let the poor say, “We are rich, because of what the Lord
has done for us!” Give thanks. Give thanks.***

*PEACE OF CHRIST

HEARING GOD’S WORD

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

NEW TESTAMENT READING *Ephesians 4: 25-32*

GOSPEL READING *Mark 3: 1-6*

SERMON “Manage Your Anger Before It Manages You” Mike Shelton

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

*HYMN OF RESPONSE NO. 43

“On Eagle’s Wings” *(All join on Refrain):*

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.**

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*CHORAL RESPONSE

“Alleluia...The Majesty and Glory”

T. Fettke

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD

(8:45)

“More Love to Thee, O Christ”

***More love to thee, O Christ, more love to thee! Hear thou the prayer I make on bended knee.
This is my earnest plea: more love, O Christ, to thee; more love to thee, more love to thee!***

***More faith stir up, O Christ, more faith in thee! Plant now within my soul - eternity!
In giving set me free; fill my reality, until I see: all life in thee!***

(11:00)

“He’s Got the Whole World in His Hand”

Margaret Bonds

Beth Compton, soprano

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**In giving of our time, talent and treasures to you, God, we show that we are not just believers in Jesus,
but followers of Christ. Accept our gifts, and use them to reach people we would not otherwise meet,
and to bring love, joy and peace to places we would not otherwise go. Amen.**

THE SENDING

*HYMN OF DEDICATION NO. 169

“Dear Lord and Father of Mankind”

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONCLUDING PRAISE (8:45)
(11:00)

A New Hiding Place (with “My Lord, What a Morning”)
“We Shall Overcome”

H. T. Burleigh
arr. A. Hailstork

**Those who are able please stand*