

Serving Today

GUEST ORGANIST: Tim Hagy
SOUND: Olin Babb
GREETERS & USHERS: Lois Carter - Chapel
GREETERS & USHERS: Sharon Engel - Sanctuary
LITURGISTS: Virginia Wooten - Chapel
Mark Plemmons- Sanctuary
TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES: Russ Pearson
FLOWER DELIVERY: Sarah Barbour

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS ARE DEDICATED
TO THE GLORY OF GOD
in honor and memory of family
by Mark and Nancy Knisley.

First Presbyterian Church

Kingsport, Tennessee

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



**"RISE AND GO YOUR WAY;
YOUR FAITH HAS MADE YOU WELL."**

LUKE 17:19 ESV



Service of the Lord's Day

November 19, 2023

8:45 & 11:00 a.m.

GATHERING AS GOD’S PEOPLE

BELLS OF GOD’S PRESENCE

WELCOME

(PRELUDE 8:45) “Lord Speak To Me” Robert Schumann
Tim Hagy, guest organist

*GATHERING MUSIC (11:00)
No. 413 “Come into God’s Presence”
“Hymn of Promise”

*In God’s loving gift of Jesus, I receive God’s mystery; in His death I am forgiven, in His rising I am free;
In the gift, O Lord, you offer, I now give myself to thee: All I am is found in Jesus, filling all eternity.*

“In the Lord I’ll Be Ever Thankful”
*In the Lord I’ll be ever thankful; in the Lord I will rejoice! Look to God; do not be afraid.
Lift up your voices; the Lord is near. Lift up your voices; the Lord is near.*

*With thanksgiving, I’ll bow in worship; with thanksgiving, I will rejoice! All my heart I offer to God;
I lift my voice, singing songs of praise! I lift my voice, singing songs of praise!*

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Sing psalms, hymns and sacred songs;

People: **Let us sing to God with thanksgiving in our hearts.**

Leader: Let everything we do or say be done in the name of the Lord Jesus.

People: **Giving thanks to God through Jesus Christ.**

*HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 367 “Come, Ye Thankful People, Come”

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God, we dream of doing brave deeds and giving generous gifts,
but we seldom do the deeds or give the gifts.**

We are too easily frightened by what might happen.

We are afraid we might be hurt, or have to work too hard, or that we might fail.

We are even afraid of what other people might think. Forgive us for giving in to our selfish fears.

Help us, instead, to see more clearly what we might be able to do,

and give us the courage to help others by trying to do the difficult things.

Make us into your strong, loving people. We ask it in Jesus' name...

(silent prayer)

KYRIE “Hear My Prayer, Lord” (Here I Am, Lord)

*Hear my prayer, Lord, when I call, Lord; I have tried and failed to do your will.
Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, forgive, and heal my sinful heart.*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: The good news is that God loves us just the way we are. Even better news is that God loves us too much
to let us stay like this. By the grace of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and made whole.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

*SUNG RESPONSE “A Mighty Fortress”

*All praise we sing to God on high, the Author of creation.
All praise to Jesus Christ, the Lord, in whom we find salvation.
For though God’s law is sure, ’tis grace doth make us pure;
In faith we’re justified, sealed in the One who died.
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

*PEACE OF CHRIST

HEARING GOD’S WORD

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

NEW TESTAMENT READING *Colossians 3: 12-17*

GOSPEL READING *Luke 17: 11-19*

SERMON “And, Be Thankful” Mike Shelton

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

*HYMN OF RESPONSE NO. 612 “We Praise You, O God”

*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) “Great God of Every Blessing” No. 694

*Great God of every blessing, of faithful loving care, You are the fount of goodness, the daily bread we share.
How can we hope to thank you? Our praise is but a start: sincerely and completely I offer you my heart.*

*Your Word is our salvation, the source of endless grace, in death and life extending your covenant embrace.
In Christ we are one body; each member has a part: sincerely and completely I offer you my heart.*

(11:00) “Ubi Caritas” Ola Gjeilo

*Where charity and love are, God is there. The love of Christ has gathered us into one.
Let us rejoice in Him and be glad. Let us revere, and let us love the living God.
And from a sincere heart, let us love one another. Amen.*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**From your fullness, God, we have received grace upon grace. Grant that we will be good stewards of your
gifts. May we resist the impulse to live for ourselves instead of for others. May we choose generosity over
greed, and humility over influence and power. We pray in the name of the One you sent to save us,
Jesus the Christ. Amen.**

THE SENDING

*HYMN OF SENDING NO. 14 “For the Beauty of the Earth”

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONCLUDING PRAISE
(8:45) “Lord Speak To Me” Robert Schumann
(11:00) “Nachtstücke, Op. 23, No. 3” Robert Schumann

**Those who are able please stand*