

First Presbyterian Church

Kingsport, Tennessee

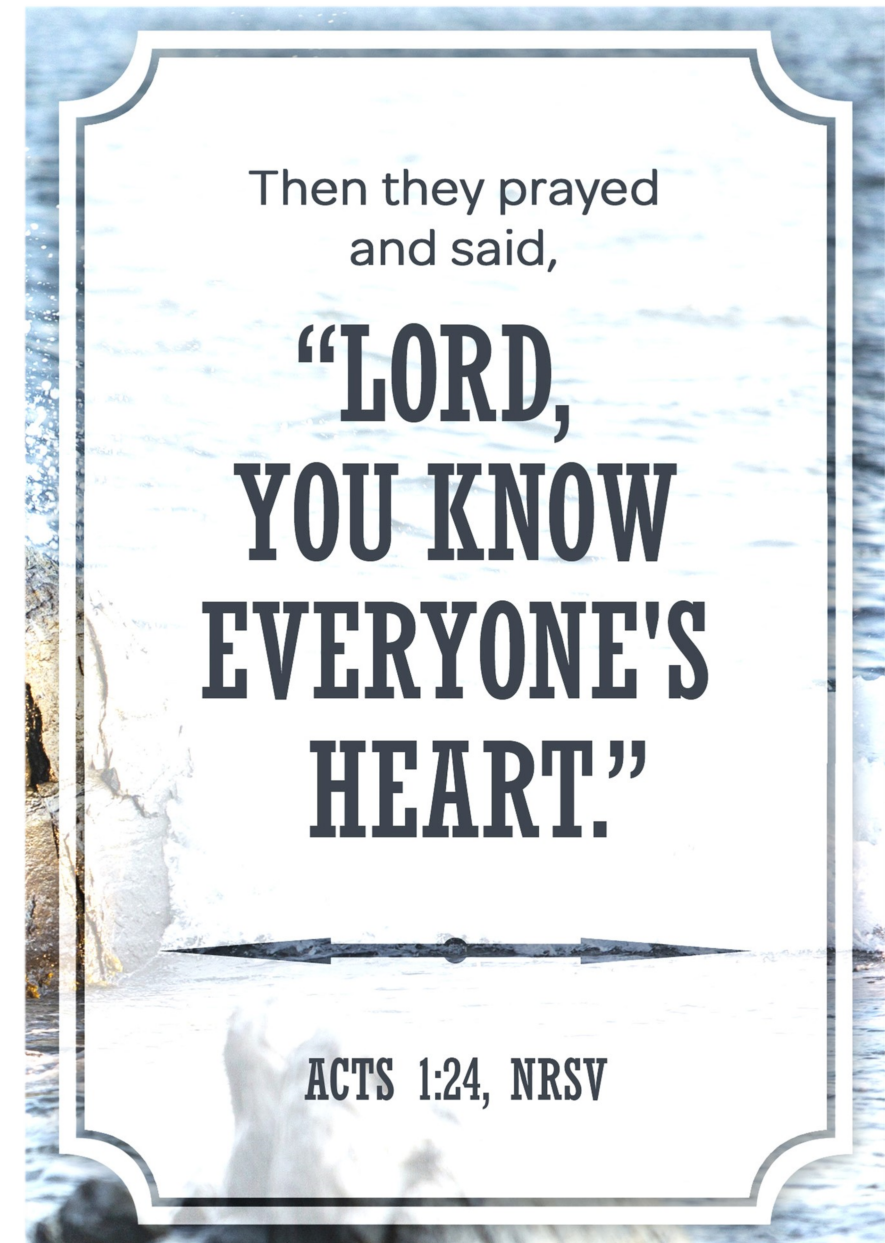
*Seeking to see the face of Christ...
Striving to be the hands of Christ*

Serving Today

LITURGISTS: Mark Davis - Chapel
Claudia Mihovk - Sanctuary
GREETERS/USHERS: Jenny Clemmer and Sharon Engel – Sanctuary
SOUND: Olin Babb
TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES: Russ Pearson
FLOWER DELIVERY: Betty Blass

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS ARE DEDICATED
TO THE GLORY OF GOD

and are presented by Gary and Catherine Tucker
in loving memory of their mothers:
Lucille B. Tucker and Doris A. Williams,
and in honor of all mothers.



Seventh Sunday of Easter
May 12, 2024
8:45 & 11:00 a.m.

GATHERING AS GOD’S PEOPLE

BELLS OF GOD’S PRESENCE

WELCOME

PRELUDE (8:45)
(11:00)

“My Shepherd Will Supply My Need”
“Good Christian Friends Rejoice and Sing”
Jenny Dougan, guest organist

John Carter
Kristina Langlois

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made!

People: **We are glad! We rejoice in it!**

Leader: Our hearts are happy to enter the house of the Lord!

People: **We celebrate the gathering of God's people.**

Leader: We lift our voices in praise and thanksgiving.

People: **We cannot wait to tell what God has done for us!**

*HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 664

“Morning Has Broken”

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God, we are short-sighted and forgetful, and we are sorry. With a word, you created all that is, and your word still has power to deliver us from storms of doubt and fear. But we fail to call on you. We rely on our own resources rather than trust yours. We continue in weakness, forgetting how readily available to us is your strength. Deliver us, God. Calm the storm within us by being our peace, and renew us in love and trust. For the sake of Christ, we pray...

(silent prayer)

KYRIE

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 power that stilled the sea is the same power that defeated sin and death through the life, death and resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ. Receive what he freely offers: forgiveness and new life. Hallelujah!

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

GOSPEL READING

Luke 22: 24-30

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Acts 1: 12-26

SERMON

“God Doesn’t Look at Resumes”

Mike Shelton

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

*HYMN OF RESPONSE NO. 300

“We Are One in the Spirit”

*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)

“As Those of Old Their Firstfruits Brought”

***A world in need now summons us to labor, love, and give;
to make our life an offering, that all may truly live.
The Church of Christ is calling us to make the dream come true:
a world redeemed by Christ-like love, all life in Christ made new.***

***In gratitude and humble trust we bring our best today,
to serve your cause and share your love with all along life’s way.
O God who gave yourself to us in Jesus Christ your Son,
help us to give ourselves each day until life’s work is done.***

(11:00)

“Speak, O Lord”

Arr. M. McDonald

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Thank you, extravagant God, for your blessings in our lives. We offer ourselves in grateful response, seeking to live with such compassion toward others that your blessings will flow through us to bless our community and our world. For the sake of Christ, we pray. Amen.

THE SENDING

*HYMN OF SENDING NO. 319

“Men of Faith, Rise Up and Sing”

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONCLUDING PRAISE

(8:45)

(11:00)

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

“Fanfare on Deo Gracias”

Jennifer Cook

Charles Callahan

**Those who are able please stand*