Serving Today

GREETERS/USHERS: Dan and Dee Dee Dietrich - Sanctuary

LITURGISTS: Don Thompson - Chapel

Russ Pearson - Sanctuary Gary Hallen

SOUND: Gary Hallen
TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES: Russ Pearson
FLOWER DELIVERY: Nancy Knisley

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS ARE DEDICATED TO THE GLORY OF GOD

and in celebration of our 50th Wedding Anniversary on June 15, 2024

First Presbyterian Church

Kingsport, Tennessee

Seeking to see the face of Christ...

Striving to be the hands of Christ



Communion Sunday
June 2, 2024
8:45 & 11:00 a.m.

GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Bells of God's Presence

WELCOME

PRELUDE "All Hail King Jesus" with "Majesty"

Donna Hathaway, guest pianist

arr. Mark Hayes

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Jesus asked Peter, "Do you love me?"

People: We must ask ourselves, "Do we love God?"

Leader: Jesus told Peter, "Feed my sheep."

People: We must answer Christ's call to care for others.

Leader: Jesus calls to the disciples, "Follow me."

People: May we listen, answer and follow the call of Christ.

*Hymn of Praise no. 327

"From All That Dwell Below the Skies" Bryan Underwood, guest organist (11:00)

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Our God, forgive us for failing to understand and accept the great demands placed upon us by your love. We enlist in your causes but find ourselves losing interest. We promise to be courageous but find ourselves afraid. We want to be sensitive but find ourselves hard and callous. Forgive us; take our limitations and turn them into possibilities for service. Have mercy on us and grant us your peace...

(silent prayer)

Kyrie

"Let Us Break Bread Together"

Lord, have mercy upon me, hear my prayer; Christ, have mercy upon me, hear my prayer; When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun, O lord, have mercy on me.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Hear the good news: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, to forgive your follies and foibles, to accept you are, and to set you free from evil and make you what you were meant to be.

People: Thanks be to God!

*SUNG RESPONSE

"Let Us Break Bread Together"

Let us praise God our Father on our knees! Let us praise Christ our Savior on our knees! Holy Spirit, we bow with the saints who surround Your throne:

Praise God, the Three in One.

*PEACE OF CHRIST

HEARING GOD'S WORD

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

GOSPEL READING John 21: 15-19

New Testament Reading Acts 3: 1-10

SERMON "Meeting Jesus in Disguise" Mike Shelton

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*Hymn of Response no. 726

"Will You Come and Follow Me"
(Verses 1-4)

MORNING PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

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, 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) "Be Thou My Vision" *Be thou my vision, illumine my heart; bind me to follow thee, never to part;*

Be thou my vision, illumine my heart; bind me to follow thee, never to part; Sight of thy righteousness, fill now mine eyes; strengthen my striving for thy heavenly prize.

Riches I heed not, nor vain empty praise; thou mine inheritance, now and always; High King of Heaven, my victory won; my heart I offer, O bright heaven's Sun!

(11:00) "Shepherd Me, O God"

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Lord, your call to us is so very clear. You have invited us to bring our gifts, our resources and our love to you to serve on Christ's behalf. We give you thanks for all your gifts to us, and may our lives with you be a journey of hope and promise into the future. In the Master's name. Amen.

THE SENDING

*Hymn of Sending No. 340

"This Is My Song"

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONCLUDING PRAISE

(8:45) (11:00) "To God Be the Glory"
"Toccata on 'Ode to Joy'

arr. Jim Hammerly arr. Paul Fey

M. Haugen

*Those who are able please stand