



Sunday April 12th, 2026
Welcome to First Presbyterian in Kingsport!
10:30am Sanctuary Worship Service

Please sign the friendship pads and you can sign up for our Wednesday Night Supper that starts at 5:30pm. We'd love to have you join us and stay for our weekly Vespers Service beginning at 6:20pm. Please read about other announcements in our weekly update handout.

GATHERING MUSIC beginning at 10:20am ~ "Gaelic Morning," "Fairest Lord Jesus," "For the Beauty of the Earth," "My Shepherd Will Supply My Need," "Sweet Hour of Prayer," "Going Home," "Amazing Grace"

FPC String Band

Tammie Davis (violin), Paul Smith (violin), Bo Grover (violin),
John Alan Smith (cello/bass guitar), Anson Hagan (mandolin)

BELLS OF GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE ~ "How Majestic" by Michael W. Smith, arranged by Fred Bock
Carolyn McPherson, piano and Amy Smith, organ

EASTER GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS ~

Leader: The Lord is Risen!

People: ***He is Risen Indeed!***

SONG OF PRAISE ~

**Our God, is an awesome God,
He reigns, from heaven above,
with wisdom, power, and love,
our God is an awesome God! (repeat)**

SCRIPTURE READING ~ Selections from Psalm 111

*HYMN OF EASTER HOPE ~ "The Day of Resurrection" (No. 233, *Glory to God*)

BIDDING PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND HOPE ~

Leader: Lord, in your mercy...

People: ***Forgive us, O God...***

CHORAL RESPONSE ~ "Hark I Hear the Harps Eternal," arranged by Mark Hayes
Agnese Goin, Tammie Davis, Roger Goin, Jim Amstutz

Reflect on these words as we worship God:

Hark, I hear the harps eternal, Ringing on the farther shore,

As I near those swollen waters, With their deep and solemn roar....

Chorus: *Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah, praise the Lamb!*

Hallelujah, hallelujah, Glory to the great I AM!

And my soul, though stained with sorrow, fading as the light of day

Passes swiftly o'er those waters, to the city far away...

Souls have crossed before me, saintly, to that land of perfect rest;

I can hear them singing faintly, In the mansions of the blest....

*HOLY INTERRUPTION ~

Refrain from *Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks to the Risen Lord!* (No. 240, *Glory to God*)

SCRIPTURE READING ~ John 20:19-31: The risen Jesus, the disciples, and Thomas

SERMON ~ "Behind locked doors" Rev. Russ Pearson

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH ~ The Apostle's Creed (p.35, *Glory to God*)

*HYMN OF RESPONSE ~ “The Lord of the Dance” (No. 157, Glory to God)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE ~

Please write a prayer concern or joy on a notecard and place it in the basket on the table as you leave. Our pastors will pray for your request this week.

THE LORD’S PRAYER

SENDING REFLECTION AND SONG ~ “This Little Light of Mine,” arranged by Mark Hayes
Carolyn McPherson, Amy Smith and congregation

**Please rise when prompted and sing the final chorus:*

This little light of mine, I’m gonna let it shine!

This little light of mine, I’m gonna let it shine!

This little light of mine, I’m gonna let it shine!

Let it shine,

let it shine,

let it shine!

*CHARGE

*UNISON BLESSING ~

Because the tomb is empty, our lives can be full, so we will go into every place and every day as people brimming with the love of God.

We will be graceful in spirit, hopeful in word, faithful in deed.

And we will live for the risen Christ as Christ lives in us.

Alleluia and Amen!

Worship Notes

Please be aware the 10:30am service is live streamed on Facebook and YouTube

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