

FIRST



PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LEBANON



February 11, 2024

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

February 11, 2024 *Transfiguration of the Lord*

11:00 A.M.

THE GATHERING

To Glorify God and Enjoy God Forever

PRELUDE

Chorale

Raymond H. Haan

CHIMING THE HOUR

CHORAL INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 50

Leader: O God, you are my God.

People: I seek you, my soul thirsts for you.

Leader: I have looked upon you in the sanctuary.

People: I have beheld your power and glory.

Leader: Because your steadfast love is better than life,

People: My lips will praise you.

Leader: I will bless you as long as I live.

People: I will lift up my hands and call on your name.

*HYMN NO. 288 *I Sing the Mighty Power of God*

ELLACOMBE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

God of Heaven, in the act of creation, you divided the darkness and brought forth light. And you declared it good.

But we are blinded to your glory by the faithless forces of our age. We confess that we make ourselves the center of attention and fail to point toward Christ. We confess that our hearts are veiled to the truth. Forgive us, we pray.

Shine your light into our hearts so that we may always recognize you in the face of Jesus Christ. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: God's compassion knows no boundaries;

God's grace is greater than all our sins.

Friends, hear the good news of our salvation:

People: In the name of Christ, we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

*KYRIE

No. 572

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

* Those who are able are invited to stand.

***THE PEACE**

The Peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit,
that as the scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed,
we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

2 Corinthians 4:3-6

*For it is the God who said,
"Let light shine out of darkness,"
who has shone in our hearts
to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God
in the face of Jesus Christ.*

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

SPECIAL MUSIC *Meditation on "Holy Ground"*

Darryl G. Nettles

TIME FOR THE YOUNGER DISCIPLES

SERMON

Faith Refracted: Sanctify

Rev. Sherard Edington

RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

***HYMN OF PRAISE** *Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus*

*1. O soul, are you weary and troubled?
No light in the darkness you see?
There's light for a look at the Savior,
And life more abundant and free!*

*Refrain: Turn your eyes upon Jesus,
Look full in His wonderful face,
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim,
In the light of His glory and grace.*

*2. Thro' death into life everlasting,
He passed, and we follow Him there;
O'er us sin no more hath dominion—
For more than conqu'rors we are!*

*3. His Word shall not fail you—He promised;
Believe Him, and all will be well:
Then go to a world that is dying,
His perfect salvation to tell!*

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

THE 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.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* Robert Lau

***DOXOLOGY**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

SENDING FORTH

***HYMN NO. 417** *Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation* REGENT SQUARE

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***CHORAL RESPONSE**

***POSTLUDE** *Sortie on "National Hymn"* Lani Smith



WELCOME

We extend a warm welcome to all who worship with us this morning. If you are seeking a church home, we invite you to become a member of First Presbyterian Church. For more information, please speak to the pastor at the close of the service.

📶 For WiFi access go to FPC_CONNECT and enter password 6154441360.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wednesday Night Fellowship Dinner

February 14, 6:00 p.m.

Pancake Supper

To make a reservation, please call the church office at (615) 444-1360 by Tuesday.

Our Ash Wednesday Service will be held following the pancake supper and will feature the traditional Imposition of Ashes.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS - The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in memory of **JoAnne Adams** by Kathy and Joe Adams.

A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING was held today at 10:45 a.m. The purpose of the meeting is to hold the Annual Meeting of the Congregation and hear the Annual Statistical Report.

DEACONS' CHILI MEAL – The Annual Deacons' Chili Day will be Wednesday, February 21, from 11:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$7.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children and can be purchased from any Deacon or the church office. Carry-out boxes will be available. Beef, turkey, and vegetarian chili will be served as well as drinks and dessert.

YOUTH

YOUTH GROUP (5th -12th grade) will meet on Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. Pastor Sherard is teaching the Youth Sunday School Class.

THIS WEEK AT FPC

Today	Wednesday
9:00 a.m. NCC Worship	6:00 p.m. Fellowship Meal
10:00 a.m. Church School	6:30 p.m. Choir Practice
11:00 a.m. Worship	6:45 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service
12:15 p.m. Session Meeting	
Monday	Thursday
6:00 p.m. New Day AA Group	9:00 a.m. Preschool
Tuesday	6:00 p.m. Boy Scouts
9:00 a.m. Preschool	Friday
4:00 p.m. Prayer Group	Saturday

SESSION

Class of 2024
Max Carter
Nancy Gebhardt
Mickey Stueck
Allen Vance

Class of 2025
W.P. Bone
Nancy Boyd
Jack Emmert
Frank Reeves

Class of 2026
Carol Hill
Margaret Ann Trail

DIACONATE

Class of 2024
Jonathan Bouton
Carol Turner
Van Turner
Sandra Weatherford

Class of 2025
Rachel Low
Anne Donnell
Jim Stueck

Class of 2026
Melissa Cassetty
Karen Hunter-Lowery
Jim Murff

CHURCH COMMITTEES

Clerk of Session – Barbara Howell
Treasurer – Jim Stueck
Budget & Finance – Jim Stueck
Buildings and Grounds – Allen Vance
Christian Education – Nancy Gebhardt
Congregational Care – Nancy Boyd
Outreach – Margaret Ann Trail
Personnel – Jack Emmert
Worship – Mickey Stueck

STAFF

Ministers – All Members of the Congregation
Pastor – Sherard Edington
Organist/Director of Music – Darryl Nettles
Office Administrator – Kristy Vincent
NCC Worship Leader – Natalie Loader
Preschool Director – Angela Hankins
Nursery – Sara Chaney
Custodians – Stratus Cleaning Service

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Children	Adult
Nursery	Crossroads Class
Elementary Class and	Faith Builders Class
Middle- High School Class	Westminster Class

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FINANCIAL UPDATE		
	Expenses	Income
December	\$39,592.74	\$38,136.07
YTD	\$333,584.44	\$327,234.89
	Last Week's Offering	\$8,511.00