

FIRST



PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LEBANON



January 23, 2022

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

January 23, 2022 *Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*

11:00 A.M.

THE GATHERING

To Glorify God and Enjoy God Forever

SILENT MEDITATION

PRELUDE

CHIMING THE HOUR

CHORAL INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

from enfolded liturgies

Leader: God is calling us out of the places we hide, out of insecurity, out of shame, out from under that which silences love and justice.

People: Rise up, people of God!

Leader: Though we may be afraid, though we will be at risk, though the cross stands as a threat,

People: God calls us to courage.

Leader: Our God is a God of resurrection, of new life after devastation, of hope in the grip of evil, and so we dare to proclaim:

People: We believe in the power of love. We believe in solidarity with the suffering. We believe we each are valuable. We believe time together is transformative.

*HYMN NO. 430 *Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!*

DARWALL'S 148TH

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

God of Love and Liberation, we confess that we have sinned and fallen short of your glory. Forgive us when our fear causes us to shun and exclude. Grant us grace when we fail to see the image of God in all your creation. Shed our disdain for difference and equip us to spread the hope of Christ to all people without exception. Amen!

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: In Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven.

People: Alleluia and Amen!

* Those who are able are invited to stand.

***GLORIA PATRI**

Hymn No. 579

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen.*

***THE PEACE**

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

THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

Spirit Divine, each day you raise us up to experience new life.
Open our hearts and guide our reading of your holy word.
Equip us to discern your will for the church today and
empower us to spread Christ's liberating word by caring for
neighbor and stranger without reserve. In God's holy name
we pray, Amen!

ANTHEM

God of Mercy, God of Grace

Jerry F. Davidson

*God of mercy, God of grace, Show the brightness of Thy face;
Shine upon us, Savior, shine, Fill Thy Church with light divine,
And Thy saving health extend, Unto earth's remotest end.*

*Let thy people praise Thee, Lord, Be by all that live adored;
Let the nations shout and sing Glory to their Savior King;
Let all be below, above, One in joy, and light, and love.*

TIME FOR THE CHILDREN

Rev. Sherard Edington

SERMON

The Bible and Sexual Difference

Michael Schulte

RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

***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

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***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.*

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

PROPOUNDING OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS

TO THE OFFICER

TO THE CONGREGATION

Do we, the members of the church, accept *Patricia, Lee, David, Wayne, Jackie, Mark, Patricia, Jonathan, Carol, Van, and Sandra* as ruling elders or deacons, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ? **We do.**

Do we agree to pray for them, to encourage them, to respect their decisions, and to follow as they guide us, serving Jesus Christ, who alone is Head of the Church?
We do.

THE LAYING ON OF HANDS

PRAYER OF INSTALLATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

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SENDING FORTH

***HYMN NO. 420** *God of Grace and God of Glory* CWM RHONDDA

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***CHORAL RESPONSE**

***POSTLUDE**

WORSHIP NOTES – We welcome our guest pianist, **Melody Mosley**. Melody is a pianist and mezzo-soprano, who currently resides in Old Hickory with her husband Adam and their daughters, Lucy and Ellie. A graduate of the Hugh Hodgson School of Music at the University of Georgia, Melody teaches elementary music at Una Elementary School in Nashville.

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.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS FOR 2022—If you would like to provide a flower arrangement in memory of or in honor of loved ones for the sanctuary or chapel for a particular Sunday in 2022, please contact Kristy in the church office.

NEW OFFICERS - At the service today we will celebrate the Ordination and Installation of the new class of church officers.

(* Indicates that the person is to be ordained.)

RULING ELDERS: Patricia Bone, *Jackie Cowden, David Foutch, Lee Lyle, Tracey Hay, Wayne Patton

DEACONS: *Carol Benson, Jonathan Bouton, Mark Fain, Patricia Hatcher, *Carol Turner, *Van Turner, Sandra Weatherford

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING FOOD DRIVE – As the NFL playoffs commence, so does our annual **Souper Bowl of Caring Food**



Drive to collect food for the Wilson County Community Help Center. Our goal this year is to collect 1,000 food items. You can donate your food based on the team you believe will win the Super Bowl (monetary donations are also accepted). When a team loses, their food will be given to the team to whom they lost. On Super Bowl Sunday, ONE team will claim the food drive victory.

YOUTH

YOUTH GROUP (5th -12th grade) –meets on Wednesday at 6:00 p.m.

THIS WEEK AT FPC

Today

8:45 a.m. Worship
9:45 a.m. Church School
11:00 a.m. Worship

Monday

Tuesday

9:00 a.m. Preschool

Wednesday

6:00 p.m. Youth Group
6:30 p.m. Choir Practice

Thursday

9:00 a.m. Preschool
6:00 p.m. Bible Study
6:00 p.m. Boy Scouts
6:30 p.m. Praise Team

Friday

Saturday

ELDERS

Class of 2021
Suanne Bone
Don Goodwin
Adrienne Johnson
David Howell

Class of 2022
Jessica Fain
Mickey Stueck

Class of 2023
Max Carter
Frank Reeves

DIACONATE

Class of 2021
Becky Harm
Lee Lyle
Sandra Patton
Emily Peyton

Class of 2022
Jack Emmert
Marilyn Peyton
Laura Simmons
Margaret Ann Trail

Class of 2023
Margaret Carroll

CHURCH COMMITTEES

Clerk of Session – Barbara Howell
Treasurer – Robin Orewiler
Budget & Finance – Frank Reeves
Buildings and Grounds – David Howell
Christian Education – Mickey Stueck
Congregational Care – Adrienne Johnson
Outreach – Adrienne Johnson
Personnel – Jessica Fain
Worship – Suanne Bone

STAFF

Ministers – All Members of the Congregation
Pastor – Sherard Edington
Director of Music – Branson Clark
Organist –
Director of Christian Education – Michael Schulte
Office Administrator – Kristy Vincent
Preschool Director – Angela Hankins
Nursery – Sara Brown
Custodians – Stratus Cleaning Service

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Children	Adult
Nursery	Crossroads Class
Preschool – 1 st Grade	Faith Builders Class
Elementary Class	Westminster Class
Middle- High School Class	Women's Class

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