

### SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

July 11, 2021 Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 10:00 A.M.

#### THE GATHERING

To Glorify God and Enjoy God Forever

**PRELUDE** Sonata in A major (K.331) W. A. Mozart Andante Grazioso, Adagio, Allegro, Menuetto, Trio

CHIMING THE HOUR

**CHORAL INTROIT** 

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 48

Leader: Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised in the city

of our God.

People: His holy mountain is the joy of all the earth.

Leader: We ponder your steadfast love, O God,

in the midst of your temple.

People: Your name, O God, reaches to the ends of the earth.

Leader: Tell the next generation that this is our God.

People: God will be our guide forever.

\*HYMN NO. 430 Come Sing, O Church, in Joy! DARWALL'S 148TH

#### CALL TO RECONCILIATION

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Merciful Lord, you are our God.

When we feel lost you seek us out.

When we are broken you offer words of healing.

When we feel forgotten you stir our spirits with your love. Despite your never-ending grace, we confess that we don't always listen to your voice. We turn our back to your presence and reject your guidance. Forgive us for not putting our whole

trust in you. Deliver us, we pray. Amen.

#### SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: "Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the

conviction of things not seen." By faith we are made heirs of God. Through Christ, salvation is

ours. Friends, this is the good news!

People: Thanks be to God!

<sup>\*</sup> 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.

SOLO

Give Me Jesus

Hogan

TIME FOR THE CHILDREN

#### THE WORD OF GOD

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

God our helper, by your Holy Spirit, open our minds, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may be led into your truth and taught your will, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Kings 19:1-15

SERMON

God in the Gaps

Rev. Stacy Rector

#### 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 \*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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#### SENDING FORTH

\*HYMN No. 276

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness* 

FAITHFULNESS

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL RESPONSE

\*Postlude

Dialogue in A

Jean-Francois Dandrieu

#### 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.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## Wednesday Night Fellowship Dinner

July 28 6:00 p.m.

Pulled Pork, White Beans, Coleslaw, Tomato Pie, Banana Pudding
To make a reservation, please call the church office at
(615) 444-1360 by Friday, July 23.

WE WELCOME the Rev. Stacy Rector to the pulpit today. Stacy is the Executive Director of Tennesseans for Alternatives to the Death Penalty. She is a native of Dyersburg, Tennessee, and a graduate of Rhodes College and Columbia Theological Seminary. She also currently serves on the Peacemaking and Outreach committees for the Presbytery of Middle Tennessee and on the board of People of Faith Against the Death Penalty.

Sherard Edington has been on vacation with his family this week.

THE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Eleanor Elizabeth Howell by Barbara and David Howell, Virginia Howell, and Rebecca Howell Crew.

SHERRY'S RUN – The 18<sup>th</sup> annual Sherry's Run will be held Saturday, September 11 and FPC is forming a team. Sherry's Run benefits Sherry's Hope, a faith-based non-profit that seeks to bring the hope of Christ to individuals battling cancer and their families. Sherry's Hope helps families and individuals that "are receiving treatment or are in hospice care due to a current cancer diagnosis, who live in Wilson County or a surrounding community and demonstrate a true financial need." If you are already planning on participating and would like to join our team or feel led to join us, register online at sherrysrun.org and join our team, 1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian Church, Lebanon.

#### YOUTH

YOUTH GROUP ( $5^{th}$  - $12^{th}$  grade) – In-person youth group will meet on 1st and 3rd Wednesdays from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. for fellowship and opportunities to serve the homeless in our community.

#### THIS WEEK AT FPC

Today Wednesday
10:00 a.m. Worship 7:00 p.m. No Choir Practice
11:10 a.m. Book Club Thursday
Monday Friday
Tuesday Saturday

# Class of 2021 Class of 2022 Suanne Bone Jessica Fain Don Goodwin Mickey Stueck Adrienne Johnson

Class of 2023 Max Carter Frank Reeves

| Class of 2021       |
|---------------------|
| Becky Harm          |
| Lee Lyle            |
| Sandra Patton       |
| <b>Emily Peyton</b> |

David Howell

DIACONATE
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 – J. D. Plant
Director of Christian Education – Michael Schulte
Office Administrator – Kristy Vincent
Preschool Director – Angela Hankins
Nursery – Sara Brown
Custodians – Stratus Cleaning Service

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

ChildrenAdultNurseryAtypical ClassPreschool – 1st GradeCross Roads ClassElementary ClassFaith Builders ClassMiddle School ClassWestminster ClassHigh School ClassWomen's Class

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