

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
LEWISBURG, TENNESSEE

Service for the Lord's Day

Eleven O'clock

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

August 2, 2020

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

Let us prepare ourselves for worship

PRELUDE

"Near to the Heart of God"

(Arr. Lani Smith)

Naphtali Rothrock, Organist/Pianist

Robert Montgomery, Pastor

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

from Isaiah 55

Listen! Everyone who thirsts, come to the waters! And you that have no money, come, buy and eat!

Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.

Why spend your money for that which is not bread?

Why spend your labor for that which does not satisfy?

Let us listen carefully to the LORD, and eat what is good,

Let us come to the Lord and incline our ears to listen, that we may live.

***SILENT MEDITATION ON THE LYRICS:**

"This is My Father's World"

Hymn #370

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)

from the Prayers of St. Anselm (1033-1109)

Lord, because you have made me,

I owe you the whole of my love;

because you have redeemed me,

I owe you the whole of myself;

because you have promised so much,

I owe you my whole very being.

I owe you more than my whole self, but I have no more, and by myself I cannot render the whole of myself to you.

Draw me to you, Lord; claim me again in the fullness of your love. Forgive, renew your Holy Spirit within me.

I am wholly yours by creation;

make me now all yours, in faith, in hope and in love. Amen.

(Time for Silent Prayer and Confession)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

from Psalm 145

The LORD is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

The LORD is good to all, and his compassion is over all that he has made.

***GLORIA PATRI (SOLO)**

"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."

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SPECIAL MUSIC

SCRIPTURE READING:

Matthew 14: 13-21

Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick.

When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves."

Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat."

They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish."

And he said, "Bring them here to me."

Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

Response after the Reading: Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

TIME WITH THE YOUNGER CHURCH

SCRIPTURE READING: Genesis 32: 22-31

The same night he [Jacob] got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jab'ok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had.

Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak.

When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him.

Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking."

But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me."

So he said to him, "What is your name?"

And he said, "Jacob."

Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed."

Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name."

But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him.

So Jacob called the place Peni'el, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved."

The sun rose upon him as he passed Penu'el, limping because of his hip.

SERMON

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:**

The Apostles' Creed (Traditional)

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.

***SILENT MEDITATION ON THE LYRICS:**

"Great God of Every Blessing"

Hymn #694

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER—ALL ARE WELCOME!

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Pastor: *The Lord be with you.* **People: And also with you.**

Pastor: *Lift up your hearts.* **People: We lift them up to the Lord.**

Pastor: *Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Pastor: O God, we do praise and thank you, joining our voices with choirs of angels and all those of

every time and place who love you and forever sing to the glory of your name,
ALL: Holy, holy, holy, God of power and might! Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest."

(The Prayer continues. concluding with the Lord's Prayer in unison)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy Name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP *(Pre-Packaged Communion in the Pews)*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

INVITATION TO GENEROSITY: *Thank You for your continued donations to this church in the collection plates at each door or through the mail.*

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

***THE DOXOLOGY (SOLO)**

No. 592

*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.*

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE:

"Toccatina in A Minor"

(Gerald Peterson)

**The congregation is asked to stand together, as each is able.*

On Our Hearts and in Our Prayers:

D.J. Gould (Denise Foster's mother) • Family of Waverley Duning • Family of Nancy Crowder (Ken's mother) • Family of Bobby Chaffin (Kathryn Hawkins' father) • Jimmy Goodman • Our Village Manor and at-home members • Lois Purcell • Joe B. Brandon • Carolana Callaway • Barbara Wright • Family of Ernest Henegar • Family of Brad Bradley, especially Nancy • Family of Richard McBride (Dina's brother-in-law) • McDaniel Family (Phyllis' death) • Phillips Family (cancer/relatives of LuAnne Crocker) • Margaret Haynes (friend of the Cobles) • Drew Davidson (broken hip) • Sammie Fox • Melissa Eason • Suzanne Porter (Joe B's sister) • Stacy Harris (Joy Davis' friend) • Janet Franklin • Patti McGilton (Joe B's niece) • Adam Perryman • Deborah Hunter • Joan Hooten • Ed Lambert • Front-Line healthcare workers • School students, teachers and staff

August Birthdays: Kerri (Talley) Love- 3 • Annie Haynes- 8 • Tommy Harris- 15 • Beverly McLain-26 • Linda Crowder- 28 • Hutton Brandon-31

August Anniversaries: Steve and Mary Ann Haynes -22 • Pam and Ed White -26

Announcements and Reminders

Congratulations to Evelyn Leonard and Jim Metcalf on their marriage on August 1. May God's grace richly bless their path in their new life together.

Scholarships Normally, July would be the month that we would honor our kids headed back to college and make our annual scholarship presentations. This is obviously not a normal year, so we will be hand-delivering scholarships to this year to Tyler and Cooper Moorehead, Annie Haynes, Chelsea Coble and Hutton Foster.

School Supplies Needed Regardless of what decisions are finally made about the opening of schools, it is time for our annual drive to collect backpacks, paper, pencils and other supplies. You can drop them off at the church Monday-Wednesday, 8 AM to 4:00 PM. Call first to confirm that someone will be in the office on Thursdays and Fridays.