

# First Presbyterian Church

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*Embodying Christ's inclusive love through heart, mind, and service*

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
Oak Ridge, Tennessee  
*A Congregation of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)*  
March 6, 2022 • *First Sunday in Lent*

*(For the sake of brevity, we occasionally sing selected verses of hymns.)*

**Prelude**

**Welcome**

**Call to Worship**

The season of Lent sets us on a journey that begins in the wilderness.

***We follow the way of Jesus, who faced trouble and testing.***

Our call is to trust God, who does not leave us alone,

***For God leads us not only into the wilderness, but through it.***

**Hymn 39**

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

*Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;*

*There is no shadow of turning with thee.*

*Thou changest not; thy compassions they fail not.*

*As thou hast been thou forever wilt be.*

Refrain:

*Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!*

*Morning by morning, new mercies I see.*

*All I have needed thy hand hath provided.*

*Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!*

*Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,*

*Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above*

*Join with all nature in manifold witness*

*To thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. (refrain)*

*Pardon for sin and peace that endureth,*

*Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,*

*Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow:*

*Blessings all mine with ten thousand beside! (refrain)*

**Call to Confession**

**Litany of Confession**

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you.

***Setting our sights on wealth, privilege, and power have hindered us from seeing your realm. (silence)***

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against our neighbors.

***Our efforts to provide for ourselves have left little room to care for others. (silence)***

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against ourselves.

***We have been poor stewards of our bodies, minds, and spirit. (silence)***

**Assurance of Forgiveness**

## The Peace of Christ

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.  
The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**And also with you.**

Let us share the peace of Christ with one another.

## Sung Response

*Jesus, be with us. Help us each day to follow the gospel and live as we pray.  
Send us your Spirit and show us your way. Jesus, be with us today.*

## Time with the Children

### First Scripture Reading

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

### Sermon

*Lent through Mister Rogers' Eyes:  
Remember Your Roots*

Sharon Youngs

## Musical Reflection

### 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.***

### Call to Prayer

*Take, O Take Me as I Am*  
(sing twice)

(Glory to God, 698)

*Take, O take me as I am; summon out what I shall be;  
Set your seal upon my heart and live in me.*

### Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer (*traditional*)

***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.***

### Hymn 643

*Now Thank We All Our God*

*Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices,  
Who wondrous things hath done, in whom this world rejoices;  
Who, from our mothers' arms, hath blessed us on our way  
With countless gifts of love and still is ours today.*

*O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,  
With ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;  
And keep us in God's grace, and guide us when perplexed,  
And free us from all ills in this world and the next.*

*All praise and thanks to God, who reigns in highest heaven,  
To Father and to Son and Spirit now be given:  
The one eternal God, whom heaven and earth adore,  
The God who was, and is, and shall be forever more.*

## Charge and Blessing

### Sung Response

#### *Irish Blessing*

*May the road rise to meet you, may the wind blow at your back,  
May the sun shine warmly on your face. May the rain fall softly on your field,  
And until we meet again, until we meet again,  
May God hold you in the palm of his hand. Amen.*

### Postlude



*The flowers are given today by Chris Iversen and Peter Bancroft to the glory of God  
and in honor of the people of Ukraine.*



## Announcements

--Thank you to Mimi Tilley for serving as our liturgist today.

--Our special Lenten series on the book *Space for God: Study and Practice of Spirituality and Practice*, written by Don Postema and led by Sharon, begins this Wednesday evening, Mar. 9, at 6:30 p.m. We will meet in hybrid fashion (in person and via Zoom). Check this week's eNews for the Zoom link. You can purchase your own copy of the book online or borrow a copy through the church office.



--This month's Welcome Table is Thursday, Mar. 10, 5:30 to 6:00 p.m. If you'd like to help with this community meal ministry, let Sharon know or call the church office (483-1318).

--If you sign up for a Sunday on the 2022 flower calendar, a reminder to please complete the dedication information on a slip of paper located next to the calendar.

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