

# 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.)*  
April 3, 2022 • *Fifth Sunday in Lent*

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

**Prelude**

**Welcome**

**Call to Worship** *(from hymn 509)*

All who hunger, gather gladly; holy manna is our bread.  
**Come from wilderness and wandering. Here, in truth, we will be fed.**  
You that yearn for days of fullness, all around us is our food.  
**Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.**

**Hymn 664** *Morning Has Broken*

*Morning has broken like the first morning;  
Blackbird has spoken like the first bird.  
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!  
Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!*

*Sweet the rain's new fall sunlit from heaven,  
Like the first dewfall on the first grass.  
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,  
sprung in completeness where God's feet pass.*

*Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning,  
Born of the one light Eden saw play!  
Praise with elation; praise every morning,  
God's recreation of the new day!*

**Call to Confession**

**Litany of Confession**

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you.  
***We have wandered from you, seeking paths that appear more attractive than your way.***

(silence)

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

***We have dismissed others, considering them not as worthy as we are to receive the good things in life.***

(silence)

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

***We have squandered your gifts and laid waste to our relationships.***

(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

### Scripture Reading

Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

### Sermon

*Lent through Mister Rogers' Eyes:  
"It's You I Like"*

Sharon Youngs

## Musical Reflection

### The Eucharist

#### Invitation to the Table

#### Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

***And also with you.***

Lift up your hearts.

***We lift them to the Lord.***

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

***It is right to give our thanks and praise.***

We indeed give you thanks, God of Wonder... all the saints and sinners, with all the faithful we sing to you:

***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory,  
Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.***

Holy are you, God of the prodigals.... Great is the mystery of faith:

***Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.***

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts ... all praise to you, God in Community,  
Holy in One. ***Amen.***

***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.***

#### Breaking of the Bread

#### Communion

#### Prayer after Communion

***Loving and Gracious God, you have gathered us at your table, called us your beloved, and fed us from your body. Transform us to be your body in the world, so that we may serve you and our neighbors with great joy. Amen.***

## Hymn 753

### *Make Me a Channel of Your Peace*

*Make me a channel of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me bring your love.  
Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord, and where there's doubt, true faith in you.*

*Make me a channel of your peace. Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope.  
Where there is darkness, only light, and where there's sadness ever joy.*

*O, Master, grant that I may never seek so much to be consoled as to console,  
to be Understood as to understand, to be loved as to love with all my soul.*

*Make me a channel of your peace. It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,  
In giving of ourselves that we receive, and in dying that we're born to eternal life.*

## 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 today are given by Elaine Wilson to the glory of God  
and in celebration of Darlene's birthday.*



### **Announcements**

- Thank you to Dale Hadden for serving as our liturgist today.
- The Church Life & Witness team is gathering after worship for their monthly brown bag lunch and meeting.
- The youth group is meeting today from 5:30 -7:00 pm in the fellowship hall. They will be packing groceries for welcome table and assembling Easter baskets for Early Head Start.
- Saturday, Apr. 9, is an all-church workday, 8:30 a.m. to noon, concluding with a pizza lunch (bring your own beverage). Bring step ladders, if possible, your favorite tools, and gloves. Tasks for all ages.
- This month's Welcome Table is Thursday, April 14, 5:30 to 6:00 p.m. (drive-thru only).

### **Mark your calendars**

- April 10: Passion/Palm Sunday (reading of the Passion Narrative)
- April 14, 6:30 p.m.: Maundy Thursday (Communion service)
- April 15, noon to 2:00 p.m.: Good Friday (prayer stations and labyrinth)
- April 17: Easter Sunday (brass ensemble)
- April 24: Holy Humor Sunday

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