

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.)

May 10, 2020 • Fifth Sunday of Easter

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship (based on Psalm 66)

*Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth; sing the glory of God's name!
Let the sound of God's praise be heard!
Come and see what God has done, whose deeds among mortals are awesome.
God keeps watch on the nations, ruling with justice and steadfast love.*

Hymn

Come You Faithful, Raise the Strain
Hymn 234 in Glory to God

*Come, you faithful, raise the strain of triumphant gladness!
God has brought forth Israel into joy from sadness,
Loosed from Pharaoh's bitter yoke Jacob's sons and daughters;
Led them with unmoistened foot through the Red Sea waters. '*

*'Tis the spring of souls today: Christ has burst his prison,
And from three days' sleep in death as a sun has risen.
All the winter of our sins, long and dark, is flying
From the Light, to whom we give laud and praise undying.*

*Now the queen of seasons, bright with the day of splendor,
With the royal feast of feasts comes its joy to render;
Comes to glad Jerusalem, who with true affection
Welcomes in unwearied strains Jesus' resurrection!*

*Neither could the gates of death, nor the tomb's dark portal,
Nor the watchers, nor the seal hold you as a mortal:
But today, among your won, you appear, bestowing
Your deep peace, which evermore passes human knowing.*

Prayer of Confession

Loving God, we confess that we do not always keep your commandments. We fail to love you, and we neglect to love our neighbors as ourselves. We are quick to judge others, while being slow to see our own shortcomings. Forgive us, we pray. Reorder our priorities, that we might be more faithful to you in thought, word, and deed; in the name of the risen Christ we pray. Amen.

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

We Are Forgiven

Hymn 447 in *Glory to God*

We are forgiven. We are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God. (repeat)

Scripture Reading

Acts 17:22-31

Sermon

Tailor-Made Messaging

Sharon Youngs

Musical Reflection

Call to Prayer

There Is a Place of Quiet Rest
Hymn 824 in *Glory to God* (verse 2)

***There is a place of comfort sweet, near to the heart of God,
A place where we our Savior meet, near to the heart of God.
O Jesus, blest Redeemer, sent from the heart of God,
Hold us, who wait before thee, near to the heart of God.***

Prayers of the People - with 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

I Love to Tell the Story

Hymn 462 in *Glory to God*

*I love to tell the story of unseen things above,
Of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love.
I love to tell the story, because I know 'tis true;
It satisfies my longings as nothing else could do.*

Refrain

*I love to tell the story; 'twill be my theme in glory
To tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.*

Refrain

*I love to tell the story; 'tis pleasant to repeat
What seems, each time I tell it, more wonderfully sweet!
I love to tell the story, for some have never heard
The message of salvation from God's own holy Word.*

Refrain

*I love to tell the story, for those who know it best
Seem hungering and thirsting to hear it, like the rest.
And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song,
'Twill be the old, old story that I have loved so long.*

Refrain

Charge and Blessing

Sung Response

Irish Blessing

*May the road rise to meet you, may the wind be 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.*

Postlude



*No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, or your faith journey,
you are welcome at First Presbyterian Church.*

First Presbyterian Church—A PC(USA) Congregation

Sharon Youngs	Pastor	Bob Cantrell	Parish Associate for Pastoral Care
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