

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.)
June 13, 2021 • Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

It is good to give thanks to the Lord.

It is right to declare God's steadfast love in the morning and God's faithfulness by night.

Commit your way to the Lord, who will show you the way forward.

Take refuge in God, who will provide all that you need.

Let us worship almighty God!

Hymn 401

Here in This Place
(verses 1 and 4)

*Here in this place the new light is streaming; now is the darkness vanished away;
See in this space our fears and our dreamings brought here to you in the light of this day.
Gather us in, the lost and forsaken; gather us in, the blind and the lame;
Call to us now, and we shall awaken; we shall arise at the sound of our name.*

*Not in the dark of buildings confining, not in some heaven, light years away:
Here in this place the new light is shining; now is the kingdom, and now is the day.
Gather us in and hold us forever; gather us in and make us your own;
Gather us in, all peoples together, fire of love in our flesh and our bone.*

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Holy God, we confess that we have fallen short of who you call us to be. We are too busy judging others' mistakes, rather than focusing on our own shortcomings. We look down on small things, assuming they are unimportant. We give up too soon, rather than trusting your providential care. Forgive us, we pray. Teach us to live by faith, that we might become bolder in showing forth your justice; in Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

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

We Are Forgiven

(Glory to God, 447)

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

Musical Offering *Inch by Inch* David Mallett
Scripture Reading Mark 4:26-34
Sermon *All in Good Time* Sharon Youngs

***Affirmation of Faith** (*adapted by members of FPC*)

We believe in God, the Father Almighty, and in Jesus Christ, His Son, our Lord, and in the Holy Spirit. We seek to know God's will, to walk in God's ways, and to proclaim the Gospel to all people, by our lives as well as by our words. We work and pray for the progress of knowledge, the promotion of justice, the reign of peace, and the realization of human unity in our time. And we look with faith for the triumph of righteousness in our community and in our world. Amen.

Call to Prayer *Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove* (Glory to God, 279)
(verse 4)

*Come, Holy Spirit, heavenly Dove, with all thy quickening powers;
Come, shed abroad a Savior's love, and that shall kindle ours.*

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

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Hymn 250 *In the Bulb There Is a Flower*

*In the bulb there is a flower; in the seed, an apple tree;
In cocoons, a hidden promise: butterflies will soon be free!
In the cold and snow of winter there's a spring that waits to be,
Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.*

*There's a song in every silence, seeking word and melody;
There's a dawn in every darkness, bringing hope to you and me.
From the past will come the future; what it holds, a mystery,
Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.*

*In our end is our beginning, in our time, infinity;
In our doubt there is believing; in our life, eternity.
In our death, a resurrection; at the last, a victory,
Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.*

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

Announcements

—Thank you to Wendel Werner for sharing his gift of music with us this morning.

—The church office will be open from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. this Monday and Tuesday while Adrienne is on vacation. Regular office hours of 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. will resume Wednesday.

—We will receive an offering for our Hunger Fund during worship on June 20. Your gift allows Aid to Distressed Families of Appalachian Counties (ADFAC) to provide food vouchers to clients, helps support Second Harvest and other local food bank ministries, and also supports FPC's Welcome Table and food pantry. Please make checks payable to FPC with "Hunger Fund" on the memo line or visit fpcor.org to give online. Thank you!

—The flower calendar is available again for you to sign up to provide flowers for a Sunday service. (If you cannot sign up in-person, please call the church office.) The flowers come automatically from Oak Ridge Floral. All you do is cover the cost (\$35—payable to FPC prior to the Sunday you choose) and provide Adrienne with information re: wording for dedicating the flowers.



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*The flowers are given today by Eddie and Peggy Ricks to the glory of God
and in memory of Peggy's parents Paul & Sandy Rohwer on their anniversary.*

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Weekly gatherings

(See weekly emails for details.)

Sundays:

9:00 a.m. classes Early Birds; Rise 'n' Shine

11:30 a.m. Post-worship fellowship

Wednesdays:

5:30 p.m. Midweek Bible study

Thursdays:

7:00 p.m. Brewing Questions

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