

# First Presbyterian Church

July 4, 2021 • 10:30 a.m.



*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.)*

July 4, 2021 • *Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**Prelude**

**Welcome**

**Call to Worship** (*from Psalm 148*)

Praise the Lord! Praise God from the heavens; praise God in the heights!

***Praise God, sun and moon; praise God, shining stars!***

Praise God from the earth—mountains and hills, fruit trees and cedars!

***Wild animals and cattle, creeping things and flying birds!***

Let them praise the name of the Lord, for God's name alone is exalted.

***God's glory is above heaven and earth. Praise the Lord!***

**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**

**Prayer of Confession**

***God of abundant life, our lives are immersed in unending blessings from you.***

***And yet, we are hesitant to fully enjoy them. We forget to stop and breathe deeply, or to remember that we do not have to earn our salvation. Forgive us, we pray.***

***Quicken our hearts with your spirit of playfulness, that we might find ways to share joy and gladness each and every day; in Jesus' name. 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.



## Hymn 515

*I Come With Joy*  
(verses 1, 4, and 5)

*I come with joy, a child of God, forgiven, loved, and free,  
The life of Jesus to recall, in love laid down for me,  
In love laid down for me.*

*The Spirit of the risen Christ, unseen, but ever near,  
Is in such friendship better known, alive among us here,  
Alive among us here.*

*Together met, together bound by all that God has done,  
We'll go with joy, to give the world the love that makes us one,  
The love that makes us one.*

## 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

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*Today's flowers are given by Janet Heil to the glory of God  
and in honor of her daughter Julia Smith's birthday.*  
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## Announcements

—As you depart this morning, please leave the communion element cups on the trays in the narthex.

—Thank you to John Purifoy for sharing his gift of music with us today.

—Sharon's sermon series "Good Dog(ma): Life Principles from a Canine Perspective" continues through July:  
July 11: "No Bite"                      July 18: "Squirrel!"                      July 25: "Come"

—The Welcome Table meal will be served drive-thru style, from 5:30 to 6:00 p.m. this Thursday, July 8. If you would like to help, please let Sharon know (fpcpastor@live.com or 771-7178). The food pantry, which distributes groceries with the Welcome Table hot meal, is running low on canned fruit and vegetables. You can leave donations in the narthex on Sundays or call the office to bring them during the week. Thank you!

### 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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Church office open 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday

Sharon Youngs, Pastor    Anna Thomas, Director of Music

Peggy Hinkle, Organist    Devin Earhart, Technical Assistant

Adrienne Walker, Office Manager

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