

First Presbyterian Church

August 1, 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.)

August 1, 2021 • *Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship *(from Psalm 34)*

I will bless the Lord at all times;

God's praise shall continually be in my mouth.

My soul makes its boast in the Lord;

Let the humble hear and be glad.

O magnify the Lord with me,

And let us exalt God's name together.

Let us worship God!

Hymn 81

Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken
(verses 1 and 2)

Glorious things of thee are spoken, Zion, city of our God.

God, whose word cannot be broken, formed thee for a blest abode.

On the rock of ages founded, what can shake thy sure repose?

With salvation's wall surrounded, thou may'st smile at all thy foes.

Round each habitation hovering, see the cloud and fire appear

For a glory and a covering, showing that the Lord is near.

Thus deriving from their banner light by night and shade by day,

Safe they feed upon the manna which God gives them when they pray.

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

God of manna and mercy, each new day brings your blessings in abundance.

And yet, we question whether your provisions are enough. As a result, we store up treasures here on earth "just in case," we say. Forgive us when we doubt your faithfulness. Give us willing and trusting hearts, that we might share your steadfast love generously with everyone we meet; 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

Make Me a Channel of Your Peace
(verse 4)

(Glory to God, 753)

Make me a channel of you 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.

Scripture Reading

John 6:24-35

Sermon

Deeper Hunger, Better Bread

Sharon Youngs

Hymn 523

*You Satisfy the Hungry Heart
(verses 2 and 5)*

Refrain:

*You satisfy the hungry heart with gift of finest wheat;
Come give to us, O saving Lord, the bread of life to eat.*

*With joyful lips we sing to you our praise and gratitude
That you should count us worthy, Lord, to share this heavenly food.*

Refrain

*You give yourself to us, O Lord; then selfless let us be,
To serve each other in your name in truth and charity.*

Refrain

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.

In every time and in every place ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

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 God, author of time ... Great is the mystery of faith:

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

Loving God, give us here a foretaste of the feast to come. ... holy Trinity, now and forever. ***Amen.***

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.

Breaking of the Bread

Communion

Prayer after Communion

You have given yourself to us, Lord. Now we rise from this table to give ourselves to others. May your Spirit continue to strengthen and inspire us in both word and deed, now and always; in Jesus' name. Amen.

Hymn 720

Jesus Calls Us (verses 1, 3, and 4)

*Jesus calls us: o'er the tumult of our life's wild, restless sea;
Day by day his sweet voice soundeth saying, "Christian, follow me."*

*In our joys and in our sorrows, days of toil and hours of ease,
Still he calls, in cares and pleasures, "Christian, love me more than these."*

*Jesus calls us: by thy mercies, Savior, may we hear thy call,
Give our hearts to thy obedience, serve and love thee best of all.*

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 Lewis and Phyllis Phillips to the glory of God
and in memory of Richard Reed, Sr. and Debra Reed Phillips.*
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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 Wendel Werner for sharing his gift of music with us today and to Dave Mullins for serving as our liturgist.

—The **flower calendar** is available for you to sign up (in-person or by calling the church office) to provide flowers for a Sunday service. The flowers come 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 for dedicating the flowers.



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

Tuesdays:

12:15 p.m. Centering prayer

Wednesdays:

5:30 p.m. Midweek Bible study

Thursdays:

7:00 p.m. Brewing Questions

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- ❖ fpcor.org ❖ on Facebook at First Presbyterian Church, Oak Ridge, TN
- 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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