

# First Presbyterian Church

November 15, 2020 • 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.)**  
**November 15, 2020 • *Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time***

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

**Prelude**

**Welcome**

**Call to Worship** *(adapted from Psalm 123)*

To you, O God, we lift up our eyes, you who are enthroned in the heavens!

***Our eyes look to you, O God, our source of life and goodness.***

Watch and wait, for the great day of the Lord is near and hastening fast;

***We watch and wait with courage, faith, and hope.***

**Hymn**

*There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit*

*(Glory to God, 408)*

*There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place, and I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord;*

*There are sweet expressions on each face, and I know they feel the presence of the Lord.*

*Refrain:*

*Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet heavenly Dove,*

*Stay right here with us, filling us with your love,*

*And for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise;*

*Without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived*

*When we shall leave this place.*

*There are blessings you cannot receive til you know him in his fullness and believe;*

*You're the one to profit when you say, "I am going to walk with Jesus all the way."*

*(Refrain)*

**Prayer of Confession**

***Masterful Creator, you have endowed us with more than we need to be your faithful people in and for this world. Yet, we confess that we have squandered your gifts and used them as if they had been given for us alone. We have not done your will, we have rebelled against your love, we have not responded to the cries of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Restore to us the joy of serving you, that others might know your economy of abundant grace; through Jesus 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.



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

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### Announcements

There's a **meeting of the congregation right after worship this morning** for the purpose of electing a new class of ruling elders. FPC members who join virtually will find the Zoom link to the meeting in this past Friday's email from Sharon.

**Conversation on loss:** this monthly gathering, hosted by Elaine Wilson, will be held on Zoom next Sunday, Nov. 22, beginning at 1:00 p.m. Please look for the Zoom link in this week's congregational email.

Susan Reisinger will be our preacher next Sunday, Nov. 22, as Sharon takes a couple days of vacation.

### Weekly online gatherings

*(See weekly emails or call the church office for Zoom links.)*

#### **Sundays:**

9:00 a.m. classes Early Birds, Rise 'n' Shine, and  
Let's Talk About It  
11:00 a.m. Post-worship fellowship  
11:30 a.m. Pathfinders: children's class  
5:30 p.m. Faith seekers: Youth class

#### **Mondays:**

9:30 a.m. Coffee Chat with Sharon

#### **Wednesdays:**

5:30 p.m. Mid-week Bible study

#### **Thursdays:**

7:00 p.m. Brewing Questions

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