

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 18, 2023 • Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Please stand, in body or in spirit.*

Prelude

Welcome

***Call to Worship**

Sing praise to the God who gathers us from all nations to be one people.

Sing praise to the one who receives us in mercy and sends us out to be merciful.

We remember this day our brothers and sisters from many nations who are uprooted from their homes and seek a place and a people among whom they can again be at home.

Open our eyes to the plight of displaced peoples of our world.

Remembering the welcome you have extended to us, help us to be sensitive to their pain and instruments of your healing presence in their search for new life.

***Hymn 100**

My Soul Cries Out with a Joyful Shout

***Call to Confession**

***Prayer of Confession**

(a moment for silent confession)

God of our salvation, incline your ear to us. You have given us power: power to heal, to bring hope, to comfort, to restore. But we ignore that power, choosing to live our own lives. At worst, we abuse that power, storing up riches for ourselves without an eye for the needs of others. Forgive us. Remind us of our call to proclaim your good news, and to welcome each other as we would welcome you.

***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** *(sing twice)*

Jesus, be with us. Help us each day to follow the gospel and live as we pray. Send us your Spirit and show us your way. Jesus, be with us today.

Children are invited to go to the fellowship hall for an activity.

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| Anthem | <i>God is Here Today</i> | arr. Trenney |
| Scripture Readings | Deuteronomy 26:1-11 Ephesians 2:12-22 | |
| Sermon | <i>Pentecost's Welcome</i> | Carolyn Dipboye |
| Musical Reflection | | |

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

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 (*first time, English; second time, Spanish*)

***Holy, holy, holy. My heart, my heart adores you!
My heart knows how to say to you: you are holy, Lord!***

***Santo, santo, santo. ¡Mi corazón te adora!
Mi corazón te sabe decir: ¡Santo eres Señor!***

Prayers of the People with 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.

A Mission Moment

***Hymn 761** *Called as Partners in Christ's Service*

***Charge and Blessing**

***Sung Response** *Irish Blessing* (*inside back cover of hymnal*)

Postlude

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*The flowers today are given by George and Irene Darko
to the glory of God and in memory of their beloved parents.*

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Announcements

- Thank you to Sherrie Fairchild-Keyes for serving as our liturgist this morning.
- Special thanks to our guest accompanist Sophie Wang for sharing her musical gifts with us today, and to Carolyn Dipboye for being our guest preacher while Sharon is away on vacation.
- Because of the Juneteenth holiday tomorrow, the church office will be closed.
- Sharon is still on vacation this week until June 28. Thank you to Susan Reisinger for covering any pastoral emergencies that may arise. Susan can be reached at sreisinger1201@icloud.com or 856 (not a typo) 261-5436.
- Kiersten Ruisard and George Hine are about to become first-time parents! You can sign up to provide a meal for them after Baby Ruisard/Hine arrives by going to this link: <https://mealtrain.com/8vog91>.

Looking ahead:

- Our July sermon series, “Picture This,” begins July 2. Sharon invites you to send her your pictures (and a little bit about them) so that she can include them in the series. Please send them to fpcpastor@live.com.

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