



## First Presbyterian Church

KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE

- Founded 1792 -

*"For Christ in the Heart of Knoxville,"*

*the First Presbyterian Church seeks*

- *to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ*
- *to nurture those within its influence*
- *to serve spiritual and human needs*

*Church School at 9:45 a.m.*

*Sunday Worship Service 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.*

*Coffee Fellowship 9:30 a.m. & 10:40 a.m.*

*Worshipful Wednesday Evening Meal and Programs begin at 5:30 p.m.*

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## A Word of Welcome

To all who are weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are idle and look for service; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to whosoever will come; this church opens wide her doors and offers her welcome in the name of Jesus Christ her Lord.

# ORDER OF WORSHIP RALLY DAY!

11:00 a.m.

August 29, 2010

## ❖THE PREPARATION OF GOD'S PEOPLE❖

PRELUDE

*Five Complets on Kyrie Eleison*

Nicholas Lebègue

*...the Lord is in his holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before him!*

Habakkuk 2:20

Worship begins with the Prelude. As we reverently enter the pews, please use this time for quiet reflection and prayer, so that we, individually and as a great crowd of witnesses, may prepare ourselves to reaffirm our devotion to Him who is the author and finisher of our faith.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Isaiah 40:28-31

Have you not known? Have you not heard?

**The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth.**

He does not faint or grow weary;

**His understanding is unsearchable.**

He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless.

**Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted;**

But those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength,

**They shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.**

Praise the Lord!

**The Lord's Name be praised**

†PROCESSIONAL HYMN 442

*The Church's One Foundation*

Aurelia

†PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(All)*

**Faithful God, you call us to paths unknown, inviting us to trust your Spirit's leading, even when we cannot see the destination. Countless generations have borne witness that you keep your promises, yet we shirk from your call, trusting more in our own limited wisdom than in your boundless faithfulness. Forgive our unbelief in your promises. Give us a willing heart to follow your call wherever it leads; grant that we be counted among the faithful, ever testifying of your rich goodness to all who trust you. *(Silent personal confession)***

MUSICAL RESPONSE *(All)* 565

*Kyrie*

Weaver

**Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

†ASSURANCE OF PARDON

◆†CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *(All)* 576

*Gloria Gloria*

**Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, gloria, alleluia, alleluia!**

†PASSING OF THE PEACE

Since God has forgiven us, we are free to forgive each other. Therefore members of the congregation are invited to turn to each other, saying: "The peace of Christ be with you", responding with "And also with you."

## ❖THE PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD❖

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalm 85  
(Pew Bible, OT Page 543)

Ginny Morrow

SPECIAL TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

◆† (three-year-olds through first graders may leave for Children's Church.)

ANTHEM

*Loving Shepherd of Thy Sheep*

Philip Ledger

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Luke 11:1-4  
(Pew Bible, NT Page 72)

SERMON

*If God Should Speak*

The Rev. Dr. William C. Pender

## ❖THE RESPONSE OF GOD'S PEOPLE❖

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*All*)

from *A Declaration of Faith*

We believe Christ gives us and demands of us lives in pilgrimage toward God's kingdom. Like Christ we may enjoy on our journey all that sustains life and makes it pleasant and beautiful. No more than Christ are we spared the darkness, ambiguity, and threat of life in the world. We are in the world, but not of the world. Our confidence and hope for ourselves and other people do not rest in the powers and achievements of this world, but in the coming and hidden presence of God's kingdom. Christ calls each of us to a life appropriate to that kingdom: to serve as he has served us; to take up our cross, risking the consequences of faithful discipleship; to walk by faith, not by sight, to hope for what we have not seen. Jesus is Lord! He has been Lord from the beginning. He will be Lord at the end. Even now he is Lord.

†HYMN OF RESPONSE 333

*Seek Ye First*

Lafferty

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

PASSING OF THE FRIENDSHIP BOOKS

RECEPTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*Gloria in Excelsis Deo*

W. A. Mozart

Glory be to God on high and on earth peace to all people.

We praise thee. We bless thee. We worship thee. We glorify thee.

We give thanks to thee for thy great glory.

O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son Jesus Christ.

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father.

Thou that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right of the Father, have mercy upon us.

For thou only art Holy. Thou only art the Lord. Thou only art the Most High.

Thou only, O Jesus Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art Most High in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

†DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

†HYMN 411

*Arise, Your Light Is Come!*

Festal Song

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

†CONGREGATIONAL AMEN #535

Tallis' Canon

Go with us, Lord, and guide the way through this and every coming day,  
That in your Spirit strong and true our lives may be our gift to You.

POSTLUDE

*Caprice sur les Grand-Jeux* from *Suite II*

Nicolas Clérambault

†*Those who are able may stand*

◆*Ushers will seat those who are waiting*

## NOTES ABOUT TODAY'S SERVICES

**Worship Note:** Thanks to Connie Steele for “divine” help in the service today.

**The Friendship Book** is passed each Sunday for guests and members to sign. Guests’ names and addresses are used to acknowledge your presence and welcome you to worship. In expressing what it means to be a *family of faith*, the church appreciates your willingness to share this information with us!

## THOSE WHO SERVE TODAY

**Officer in Charge:** Pat Chambers  
**Deacon of the Week:** Sarah Cassell  
**Phone Monitor:** Joe Mont McAfee  
**Library Worker:** Barbara Villadsen

**Baker and Taker:** Phyllis and Ely Driver  
**Nursery Workers:** Sarah Buchanan, Jane Luhn  
and Robyn McAdoo  
**Children’s Church:** Vicki Bible, Thad Morrish and  
Jess and Josh Wright

## LEADERS IN WORSHIP

Dr. William C. Pender . . . . . Senior Pastor  
Dr. Paul Rader . . . . . Associate Pastor  
Mr. J. Ashley Burell . . . . . Organist/Choirmaster