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*CLOSING HYMN	Immortal, Invisible, God O	nly Wise	12

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE Prelude and Fugue in D Major Dietrich Buxtehude

*Please stand if you are able.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN....

The Bridge Refugee Sewing Classes need volunteers -- both people to be floaters and help in the classes and people who will provide childcare. The classes start on February 10th and are biweekly. They are from 10am-12pm again. Any interested volunteers can contact either Kayla (kdavis@bridgerefugees.org) or Peter (pgreen@bridgerefugees.org).

For over 30 years, the Souper Bowl of Caring movement has been inspiring people across the nation to tackle hunger in their local communities. Our Youth ministry will gather non-perishable food items and money to benefit First



Presbyterian's FISH pantry. They will be standing at the doors to the sanctuary on February 11th with large containers to gather all of our food offerings. Please give generously!

Join us for the 2024 Presbytery Youth Summit from February 16-18 at Holston Presbytery Camp! We will explore Psalm 23 together and explore how God is calling us to embrace and live out this beloved scripture. We will stay at Holston Presbytery Camp in Banner Elk, North Carolina and enjoy skiing or snowboarding (optional) on Sugar Mountain. Not a skier/snowboarder? No problem, we will have other fun games and options available. The deadline to register is February 5th, so register soon! Cost: \$200 + \$50 for optional skiing/snowboarding. For questions, please contact Meredith Loftis at meredith@fpcknox.org.

February 23 - 25 - The Racial Justice Task Force of the Presbytery of East Tennessee along with Emmanuel Presbyterian Church and Westminster Presbyterian Church are excited to share the plans to go to Atlanta, GA the weekend of February 23-25, 2024. The cost is \$175 per person which will include the cost of the bus, hotel, and museum tickets. Financial assistance is available. Meals will need to be purchased on your own throughout the trip. Please contact Pastor Meredith Loftis at meredith@fpcknox.org with any questions.

WELCOME

Welcome to First Presbyterian Church, Knoxville. We have been part of the downtown Knoxville community since 1792. We embrace people from all walks of life and seek to share our spiritual journey with our community. We are part of the Presbyterian Church (USA). We are delighted that you have joined us in worship today.

To learn more about us, please make a note on the Friendship Pad, sign up for our Thursday newsletter, or connect with us at fpcknox.org, via the QR code to the right, or through social media.



Hearing enhancement devices and large print hymnals are available for use during the service. Please ask an usher for assistance.

OFFERING

You may place your offering in the offering plates when they are passed, or you are invited give securely online at www.fpcknox.org/donate or by scanning the QR code to the right with your smart phone.



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WORSHIP MUSIC NOTES

FOR OUR YOUNGER WORSHIPPERS

All children are welcome in worship at FPC. Children, Kindergarten through 2nd

Grade, are invited to attend Children's Worship in the Children's Area (2nd floor)

after Special Time with Young Disciples. Worship Bags are available at each

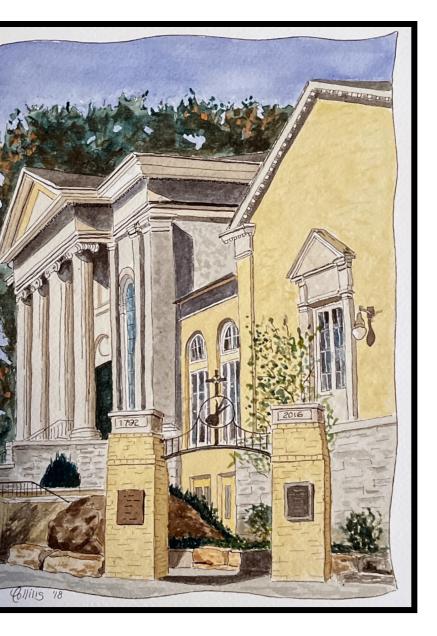
entrance to the sanctuary. A nursery is available for children, in preschool and younger, in the Nursery rooms (2nd floor).

Praise Ye the Lord. the Almighty Tune: Lobe Den Herrren Praise to God the Father Tune: Da n'ase Amen, We Praise Your Name Tune: Amen, siakudumisa Come, Ye Disconsolate

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THE PREPARATION OF GOD'S PEOPLE		*MUSICAL RESPONSE Amen, we praise your nam	Amen, We Praise Your Nam	ne 598	my equal? Who crea	
Prelude	Down to the River to Pray	Arr. Sandra Eithum	Amen, we praise your nam			calling the
TREEODE	Joyful Noise Handbell Choir		Amen, amen, amen, amen			-
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	ND ANNOUNCEMENTS		Amen, we praise your nan	ie, 0 600.		
	e day that the Lord has made;					my God"
	s rejoice and be glad in it!		THE PROCLAM	ATION OF GOD'S WO	KD	the everla
				Maula 1.20, 20		faint or g
*CALL TO V	Vorship	from Isaiah 40		Mark 1:29-39	Bill Morrow	power to
	not known?	1	²⁹ As soon as they left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon			faint and
Have you not heard?		and Andrew, with James and John. ³⁰ Now Simon's mother-in-law was in			wait for t	
,	Lord is an everlasting God,		bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. ³¹ He came and			wings like
	Creator of all the earth.	took her by the hand and inted her up. Then the level left her, and she			not faint.	
	who numbers all the stars		began to serve them. ³² That			
	them each a name;		all who were sick or possess			This is the
•	heals the broken-hearted		gathered around the door. ³⁴ And he cured many who were sick with			Than
			various diseases, and cast ou	•	•	
	binds up all their wounds. No wait for the Lord shall renew their s		the demons to speak, because they knew him. ³⁵ In the morning, while it		Sermon	
		0	was still very dark, he got up	and went out to a deserte	d place, and	
-	shall mount up with wings like ea	agies,	there he prayed. ³⁶ And Simo	on and his companions hunt	ed for him.	
-	shall run and not be weary,		³⁷ When they found him, the	y said to him, "Everyone is	searching for	
they	shall walk and not faint.		you." ³⁸ He answered, "Let u	s go on to the neighboring	towns, so that l	*Hymn of F
			may proclaim the message tl	here also; for that is what I	came out to do."	
*OPENING H	HYMN Praise Ye the Lord, the	e Almighty 35	³⁹ And he went throughout (Galilee, proclaiming the mes	sage in their	PRAYERS OF
			synagogues and casting out o	lemons.		Our Fat
	CONFESSION					thy king
-	d uncontainable God,		ANTHEM Come, Ye I	Disconsolate Ar	r. Terre Johnson	heaven.
for t	rying to contain you, forgive us.		Come, you disconsolate, where	er you languish; come to the	mercy seat,	debts, a
	ng and limitless God,		fervently kneel. Here bring you			temptat
for trying to limit you, forgive us.		earth has no sorrows that heaven cannot heal. Joy of the desolate, light of			kingdom	
Grac	ious and boundless God,		the straying, hope of the penit	• / ·		0
for t	rying to bind you, forgive us.		Comforter, in mercy saying, "E			RECEPTION
Thanks	be to you, O God,		Here see the bread of life; see			
for a	ccepting us as we are		pure from above. Come to the	-		OFFERTORY
and f	or struggling with us		no sorrows but heaven can rer			
to m	ake us what we can be		no sonows but neaven can ref	1070.		The King o
	(a moment for silent confession	n)	Special Time with Young D		Dr. Andy Morgan	I nothing I
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* A ssuranc	e of Pardon		SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON	Isaiah 40:21-31		And where
*MUSICAL R	ESPONSE Praise to God the	e Father 605	²¹ Have you not known? Have	,	,	And so the
Praise to God the Father; praise to God the Son;		from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth? ²² It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its			Good She	
Praise to God the Spirit: praise to the Three-in-One.				-	VD	
Sing praise, sing praise to the Lord on high.		inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a			*Doxology	
Praise to God Almighty; praise to the Holy One.		curtain, and spreads them like a tent to live in; ²³ who brings princes to naught, and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing. ²⁴ Scarcely are they			Praise G	
			_	_		creature
			planted, scarcely sown, scarc	ely has their stem taken ro	ot in the earth,	praise F

when he blows upon them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble. ²⁵ To whom then will you compare me, or who is

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

ual? says the Holy One. ²⁶ Lift up your eyes on high and see: created these? He who brings out their host and numbers them, them all by name; because he is great in strength, mighty in 7, not one is missing. ²⁷ Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O "My way is hidden from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by od"? ²⁸ Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is erlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not r grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. ²⁹ He gives to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. ³⁰ Even youths will and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; ³¹ but those who or the LORD shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and

the Word of the Lord. anks be to God.

"What Do You Know?"

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OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER Rev. Dr. Meredith Loftis father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, ingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in en. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into tation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the om, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

IN OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

RY The King of Love My Shepherd Is Arr. Mack Wilberg Rachel McCord, Jane Conway, Violin ng of love my Shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never; ng lack if I am his and he is mine forever. streams of living water flow my ransomed soul he leadeth, here the verdant pastures grow with food celestial feedeth. through all the length of days thy goodness faileth never; hepherd, may I sing thy praise within thy house for ever.

OXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION Old Hundredth 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.