

First Presbyterian Church

Huntsville, Tennessee

Second Sunday of Easter

April 8, 2018 11:00 A.M.

Prelude

*Call to Worship

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Through Christ, God gives us his blessing:

People: Through Christ, we have life eternal.

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: Alleluia! He is risen indeed!

*Hymn 131

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

*Prayer of the Day (said by all)

Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Concerns of the Congregation

Message to the Children

*Hymn 265

Sing Them Over Again to Me

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lessons

Acts 4:32-35; **Psalm 133**

1 John 1:1-2:2; *John 20:19-31

*Gloria Patri (Hymn 546)

Special Music

Sermon

The Rev. Steve Sexton

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Affirmation of Faith: New Testament Affirmations

Offering

Offertory

*Doxology (Hymn 544)

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn 275

Amazing Grace

Verse 5: When we've been there ten thousand years,

Bright shining as the sun,

We've no less days to sing God's praise

Than when we'd first begun.

*Charge and Blessing

*Postlude

*indicates the congregation may stand

Psalm 133

How good it is, how wonderful,
Wherever people live as one!

It is like sacred oil on the head flowing down Aaron's beard,
Down to the collar of his robe.

It is like the dew of Hermon
Running down the mountains of Zion.

There God gives blessing:
Life forever.

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Affirmation of Faith

*See 1 Cor. 15:1-6; Mark 16:9(16:1-9);
Matt. 16:16; Rev. 22:13; John 20:28*

**This is the good news which we have received,
in which we stand,
and by which we are saved,
if we hold it fast:**

**that Christ died for our sins
according to the scriptures,
that he was buried,
that he was raised on the third day,
and that he appeared
first to the women,
then to Peter, and to the Twelve,
and then to many faithful witnesses.**

**We believe that Jesus is the Christ,
the Son of the living God.
Jesus Christ is the first and the last,
the beginning and the end;
he is our Lord and our God. Amen.**