

**First Presbyterian Church**  
Huntsville, Tennessee  
November 3, 2024

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude *It is Well with My Soul*

Call to Worship

Leader: Welcome home, welcome in.

**People: Here we find a song for our souls and healing for our wounds.**

Leader: Welcome home.

**People: Here we find children's laughter that chases dark clouds away, and quiet prayers that lead us to still waters and green pastures.**

Leader: Welcome to this holy space.

**People: Here, there are friends with a tender embrace, and here, there are words that heal brokenness and reveal God's grace.**

Leader: Welcome home. God has been expecting you. The door is open. Welcome to this festival of renewal and hope.

\*Hymn of Praise 686 *God of Our Life*

Prayer of Confession (unison)

**Loving God, we know that in every generation you call forth leaders to proclaim Your word. We give You thanks that You are still speaking even today. Your Spirit inspires the young to see visions of a new creation and elders to dream of a time not yet known. Yet we confess that we fail to hear Your voice when it comes from unexpected places. Convinced that we are right, we miss the Good News of Your reconciling love. We confess that too often enough is not enough. We confess our unwillingness to live as leaders, to part with passions for self. We confess that too often we sacrifice what is sacred for that which is profane. Forgive us, God. Restore us with humility and awaken us anew to Your presence and Your promise.**

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: The God of creation is a God of mercy.

**People: God is quick to forgive and God's promise of restoration is for all people. We believe the Good News of the Gospel. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!**

\*Gloria Patri pg. 581

Time with Children

Special Music *Jesus Loves Me*  
Christ's Crew

Scripture Psalm 119:97-104

\*Hymn of Preparation 819 *Be Still, My Soul*

Prayers of the People  
Lord's Prayer pg. 35

Offering  
Offertory *He Hideth My Soul*  
Doxology 606  
Prayer of Dedication

Scripture 2 Timothy 3:10-17

Sermon "Leading Through Gravitass"

Hymn of Response 269 *Lead On, O King Eternal*

\*Benediction

\*Postlude *Freely, Freely*

Liturgists: Jim and Angela Morrow

\*Indicates you may stand