

First Presbyterian Church

Huntsville, Tennessee

June 9, 2024

Please remember to silence your cell phone during worship.

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

O Worship the King

Call to Worship

Leader: Those who seek God shall praise the Lord.,

People: All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord;.

Leader: All the families of the nations shall worship before God.

People: Dominion belongs to the Lord, who rules over the nations.

Leader: Posterity will serve God; future generations will be told about the Lord;

People: They will proclaim God's deliverance to a people yet unborn.

O WORD OF GOD INCARNATE

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Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father,
And to the Son,
And to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning,
is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen.

*Hymn of Praise 459 (purple hymnal) *O Word of God Incarnate*

Prayer of Confession (unison)

God who comes to make all things new, we have tried so hard to make things right with You and other people according to our own standards, unwritten laws of our own making. We assume habits of eating and drinking and dressing, trends of culture and conscience, levels of education and vocation, all to prove our worth. Yet You tell us that our standards do not ultimately matter, that our worth to You comes not through what we do, but through what You have done for us in Jesus Christ. Forgive us when we live by our ways rather than by Your grace. Help us to die to our old habits so that we, too, might live for You. Give us the joy of new life that comes with Christ's liberation, for we pray in Jesus' name.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: The gospel is foolishness for those who do not understand. For God's power and love are shown not in our strength but in our weakness. All praise for a God who does know us for who we are but still never gives up on us.

People: Thanks be to God!

*Gloria Patri

Commissioning of Youth Montreat Retreat

COMMISSIONING OF YOUTH MONTREAT RETREAT

Our Youth will be going on their summer youth retreat today. Through engaging worship, lively music, and practices of gratitude and fun, this retreat will offer our youth different opportunities to cultivate their spiritual faith journey and practice sabbath. Our purpose is to provide a secure opportunity that is loving, holy, and

Scripture

Acts 8:26-31

Sermon

"The Church on the Road"

Hymn of Response 451(purple hymnal) *Open My Eyes*

Sacrament of Holy Communion

The Invitation

Pastor: This is the joyful feast of the people of God.

People: They will come from east and west, and from north and south, and sit at table in the kingdom of God.

Pastor: This is the Lord's table; our Savior invites those who trust in Him to share the feast which He has prepared. Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Pastor: Give thanks to God for He is good.

People: His love is everlasting.

Pastor: Holy Lord, Father Almighty, Everlasting God: we thank You for the power which brought our Lord Jesus from death to life and which is promised to us who believe in him. We praise You that, breaking bread by faith, we know Christ risen, and can trust Him to save us from death and from sin. Great and wonderful are Your works, Lord God Almighty. Your ways are just and true. With all the faithful from every time and place, we lift our hearts in joyful praise, for You alone are Holy.

People: Holy, holy, holy, God of power and majesty, heaven and earth are full of Your glory, O God most high!

Distribution of the Bread and Cup

Prayer of Thanksgiving (unison)

God our help, we thank You for this supper shared in the spirit with Your son Jesus, who makes us new and strong, who brings us life eternal. We praise You for

* Benediction

*Postlude *Open the Eyes of My Heart, Lord*

Liturgist: Tom Phillips

*Indicates you may stand.

Mission Statement

We seek to reflect the gospel of Jesus Christ through service and love.

Welcome to all who worship here today! If you are interested in becoming a member of this congregation, please speak to the pastor or an elder. All are welcome!

Prayer Concerns

A listing of prayer requests for church family members and friends is provided in the bulletin mailed to the church mailing list.

Upcoming Events

No Youth Club/Young Adults meetings for the next two weeks.

Every Wednesday is choir rehearsal at 7 PM.

Every Thursday from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM the church will be open for prayer time

OPEN MY EYES

1. Open my eyes, that I may see
Glimpses of truth Thou hast for me;
Place in my hands the wonderful key
That shall unclasp and set me free.
Silently now I wait for Thee,
Ready, my God, Thy will to see;
Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit
divine!
2. Open my ears, that I may hear
Voices of truth Thou sendest clear;
And while the wave notes fall on my
ear,
Everything false will disappear.
Silently now I wait for Thee,
Ready, my God, Thy will to see;
Open my ears, illumine me, Spirit
divine!
3. Open my mouth, and let me bear
Gladly the warm truth everywhere;
Open my heart, and let me prepare

