

First Presbyterian Church

Huntsville, Tennessee

February 20, 2022

Please remember to silence your cell phone during worship.

Music: *Traditional/ Spirituals: When Israel Was in Egypt's Land, Wayfaring Strange, Down by the Riverside, More Like You*

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

*Call to Worship

Leader: We come to worship the God of compassion, even in the midst of a world where there is much cruelty.

People: We gather to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ once more, though we are aware that we often lack the courage of truth and love in daily life.

Leader: Christ, by your presence among us, give us courage to live as your people day by day.

People: We gather as witnesses that God is at work in the midst of human lives, and that love, not cruelty and cowardice, will triumph in the end.

All: Glory be to the living God of mercy and compassion, and to Jesus Christ, the faithful witness! Amen.

***Hymn of Praise 31** *Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven*

*Prayer of Confession (unison)

Holy God, you see into our hearts. You see the true selves we try to hide from others, the sins we fear would destroy our images, the evils that lurk so deep within us we can scarcely name them, the unholy habits that have been with us so long that they no longer prick our consciences. But you also see in us Jesus Christ, the Holy One who took on our sin and covers us in his righteousness. Forgive us for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Silent Individual Confession

*The Assurance of Pardon

Hear the good news! God's Spirit has been poured out upon all flesh, and we have been made one. We are no longer scattered or divided but gathered together to build up the kingdom on this earth. Thanks be to God!

*Gloria Patri 546

Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven

11. Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;
To His feet thy tribute bring;
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
Evermore His praises sing:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise the everlasting King.

2. Praise Him for His grace and favor
To His people in distress;
Praise Him still the same as ever,
Slow to chide, and swift to bless:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Glorious in His faithfulness.

3. Fatherlike He tends and spares us;
Well our feeble frame He knows;
In His hands He gently bears us,
Rescues us from all our foes.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Widely yet His mercy flows.

4. Angels, help us to adore Him:
Ye behold Him face to face;
Sun and moon, bow down before Him,
Dwellers all in time and space.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise with us the God of grace.

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.

