

First Presbyterian Church

Huntsville, Tennessee

February 27, 2022

Please remember to silence your cell phone during worship.

Music

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude *Amazing Grace*

*Call to Worship

Leader: O great God, who are you?

People: O great God, where are you?

Leader: O great God, show yourself to us, in this place, at this time

People: We are listening for you.

Leader: We are here because we want to know you more fully.

People: Let us listen and sing and pray together.

All: Amen.

*Hymn of Praise 91 *A Mighty Fortress is Our God*

*Prayer of Confession (unison)

O God, you know that we cannot withstand the dangers which surround us. Strengthen us in body and spirit so that, with your help, we may be able to overcome the weakness that our sin has brought upon us; through Jesus Christ, your Son our Lord we ask.

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

*Affirmation of Faith

Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For in him all things in heaven and on earth were created: things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers; all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

1. A mighty fortress is our God,
A bulwark never failing;
Protecting us with staff and rod,
And power all prevailing.
What if the nations rage
And surging seas rampage;
What though the mountains fall,
The Lord is God of all;
The Lord of hosts is with us.
2. The waters of God's goodness flow
Throughout the holy city,
And gladden hearts of those who know
God's tenderness and pity.
Though nations stand unsure,
God's kingdom shall endure;
God's power shall remain,
And peace shall ever reign,
The Lord of hosts is with us.
3. Behold what wondrous deeds of peace
God does for our salvation;
God knows our wars and makes them cease
In every land and nation.
The warrior's spear and lance
Are splintered by God's glance;
The guns and nuclear might
Stand withered in God's sight;
The Lord of hosts is with us.

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.

firstborn from among the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

Children's Message

Special Music *His Eye is on the Sparrow*

First Scripture Reading Matthew 20:1-16

***Hymn of Preparation 85** *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

Prayer of the People

Lord's Prayer 12

Offering

Offertory *Peace in the Valley*

Doxology 544

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Prayer of Dedication

Scripture Lesson **Jonah 3:1-5, 10**

Sermon **"Changing God's Mind"**

*** Hymn of Response 317** *Lord, I want to Be a Christian*

*** Benediction**

***Postlude** *In the Sweet By and By*

* Indicates you may stand.

Liturgist: Lee Ann Knudson

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

1. Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious, Thy great name we praise.
2. Unresting, unchanging, and silent as light,
Nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might;
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above
Thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.
3. To all, life Thou givest, to both great and small;
In all life Thou livest, the true life of all;
We blossom and flourish like leaves on the tree,
Then wither and perish; but naught changeth Thee.
4. Thou reignest in glory, Thou rulest in light,
Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight;
All praise we would render; O help us to see
'Tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee!

Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

1. Lord, I want to be a Christian
In-a my heart, in-a my heart,
Lord, I want to be a Christian
In-a my heart.
In-a my heart, In-a my heart,
Lord, I want to be a Christian
In-a my heart.
2. Lord, I want to be more loving
In-a my heart, in-a my heart,
Lord, I want to be more loving
In-a my heart.
In-a my heart, In-a my heart,
Lord, I want to be more loving
In-a my heart.
3. Lord, I want to be more holy
In-a my heart, in-a my heart,
Lord I want to be more holy
In-a my heart.
In-a my heart, In-a my heart,
Lord, I want to be more holy
In-a my heart.
4. Lord, I want to be like Jesus
In-a my heart, in-a my heart,
Lord I want to be like Jesus
In-a my heart.
In-a my heart, In-a my heart,
Lord I want to be like Jesus
In-a my heart.