

First Presbyterian Church
Huntsville, Tennessee
April 3, 2022

Please remember to silence your cell phone during worship.

Music

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude *Blessed Assurance*

Call to Worship *(seated)*

Leader: We are God's handiwork,

People: Fashioned out of dust so we might never lose touch with our mother Earth,

Leader: Shaped by God so we might never forget to whom we belong,

People: Created with a heart so we might feel the bonds of love that stretch between us,

Leader: Made with a deep yearning so we might seek and be found by a faithful God.

People: We are God's delight and we rejoice to praise our Creator.

***Hymn of Praise 213 Crown Him With Many Crowns**

***Prayer of Confession** *(seated)*

Merciful Savior, out of your great love you willingly laid down your life so that we might be reconciled to you. We are awe-struck by the extravagance of your gift and humbled by the magnitude of your love. We confess that we have failed to "go and do likewise." We have failed to love our neighbor, much less our enemy. We have failed to be salt and light, instead allowing worry, fear and busyness to dull and dim our senses to what you would have us do and be. We have failed to trust you, afraid that you might alter our agendas or require us to sacrifice our time or money. Forgive us, Lord. Forgive our casual attitude toward the cross and our forgetfulness of what our sin really cost you.

Silent Individual Confession

***The Assurance of Pardon** *(seated)*

The good news is this: Jesus Christ came into the world to redeem sinners. Hear it and believe -- in Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen.

***Gloria Patri 546**

Children's Message

First Scripture Reading John 18:37-39

Crown Him With Many Crowns

1. Crown Him with many crowns,
The Lamb upon His throne;
Hark, how the heavenly anthem drowns
All music but its own!
Awake, my soul, and sing
Of Him who died for thee,
And hail Him as thy matchless King
Through all eternity.
2. Crown Him the Lord of love;
Behold His hands and side,
Rich wounds, yet visible above,
In beauty glorified:
No angel in the sky
Can fully bear that sight,
But downward bends his burning eye
At mysteries so bright.
3. Crown Him the Lord of peace;
Whose power a scepter sways
From pole to pole, that wars may cease,
Absorbed in prayer and praise:
His reign shall know no end;
And round His pierced feet
Fair flowers of Paradise extend
Their fragrance ever sweet.
4. Crown Him the Lord of years,
The Potentate of time;
Creator of the rolling spheres,
Ineffably sublime.
All hail, Redeemer, hail!
For Thou hast died for me;
Thy praise shall never, never fail
Throughout eternity.

***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..*

How I Love Thy Law, O Lord!

*Hymn of Preparation 253 *How I Love Thy Law, O Lord!*

Prayer of the People

Lord's Prayer 12

Offering

Offertory *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

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

Exodus 20:16-17

Sermon

"Pursuing Truth"

* Hymn of Response

A Prayer for Our Times

*Benediction

*Postlude *Light for A Dark World* (arr. Marilyn White)

*Indicates you may stand.

Liturgists: Adam and Jodi Morrow

Fervently pray for the countries and peoples affected by the COVID-19 virus and the men and women housed at the Scott County Correctional Facility and for all those who love them and await their release.

We pray for the Ukrainians that are affected by war.

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

Upcoming Events

Every Saturday- 5:30-7:00 PM Youth Night and Adult book study

Friday, April 15 Good Friday Service- 6:00 PM

Saturday, April 16- 1:00 PM Easter Egg Hunt

Sunday, April 17- 7:15 AM

Sunrise Service and Breakfast

1 How I love Thy law, O Lord!
Daily joy its truths afford;
In its constant light I go,
Wise to conquer every foe.

Refrain:

Sweeter are Thy words to me
Than all other good can be;
Safe I walk, Thy truth my light,
Hating falsehood, loving right.

2 Thy commandments in my heart
Truest wisdom can impart;
To my eyes Thy precepts show
Wisdom more than sages know.
[Refrain]

3 While my heart Thy word obeys,
I am kept from evil ways;
From Thy law, with Thee to guide,
May I never turn aside.
[Refrain]

A Prayer for Our Times

Revised 3/5/2022

Tom Lough

Referencing a prayer by Bishop Reuben Saenz, Jr.

Frederick C. Atkinson, 1870

MORECAMBE

1. God of all na - tions, thank you for your care.
2. Fam - 'lies with chil - dren, flee - ing now in fear,
3. Lead all your church - es in this quest for peace.

Show your sal - va - tion. An - swer this our prayer.
Be their strong ref - uge. Show them you are near.
Have mer - cy, hear our pray'r and grant re - lief.

We pray an end to war and peace to reign.
Send forth your an - gels, tak - ing charge in love.
Bring com - fort, hope, and strength we ask a - gain.

Be with your faith - ful ser - vants in U - kraine.
Send wis - dom to our lead - ers from a - bove.
We pray in Je sus' ho - ly name. A - men.

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