

# FIRST



# PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LEBANON



February 27, 2022

# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

February 27, 2022

*Transfiguration Sunday*

11:00 A.M.

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## THE GATHERING

*To Glorify God and Enjoy God Forever*

### PRELUDE

### CHIMING THE HOUR

### CHORAL INTROIT

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Just a taste of something glorious,

People: Only a glimpse of something transcendent,

Leader: Just a glimmer of something holy.

People: Yet, enough to grasp that we are in the presence of the Lord—

Leader: Enough to cause us to stop and stare in reverence,

People: Enough to stir our hearts in exaltation,

Leader: Enough to set our feet to dancing,

People: Enough to prompt our voices to pray and praise.

\*HYMN NO. 464 *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

HYMN TO JOY

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CALL TO RECONCILIATION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

God of heaven, although we project the appearance of being powerful, we confess that we are weak.

We break your commandments.

We fail to speak truth.

We follow the proud and self-serving.

We hide behind our fears and allow harm to come to others.

We embrace darkness and shun your light.

Forgive us, we pray. Help us to shine in this world as we were fashioned to do. Amen.

### SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: God's compassion knows no boundaries;

God's grace is greater than all our sins.

Friends, hear the good news of our salvation:

People: In the name of Christ, we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

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\* Those who are able are invited to stand.

**\*GLORIA PATRI**

Hymn No. 579

*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.*

**\*THE PEACE**

The Peace of Christ be with you.  
And also with you.

**THE WORD OF GOD**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)**

Lord, open our hearts and minds  
by the power of your Holy Spirit,  
that as the scriptures are read  
and your Word is proclaimed,  
we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Exodus 34:29-35

*When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses,  
the skin of his face was shining,  
and they were afraid to come near him.*

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

**ANTHEM**

*Christ, Upon the Mountain Stands*

Lehman

*Christ, upon the mountain stands, vision of the Father's blessing;  
blazing forth to all the lands, saints and angels now professing.  
Radiant Son of God divine; Jesus, now in glory shines!*

*Law and prophets have their place in the cloud of wondrous glory;  
chosen witnesses of grace, there to see and tell the story.  
Radiant Son of God divine; Jesus, now in glory shines!*

*God, in majesty, descends, then proclaims to all before him:  
This is my beloved Son! Nations, come now and adore him.  
Radiant Son of God divine; Jesus, now in glory shines!*

*Faithful hearts we lift on high, joyful strains, our voices raising  
for this vision's mystery, songs of wonder, hymns of praise.  
Radiant Son of God divine; Jesus, now in glory shines,  
Jesus in glory shines!*

**TIME FOR THE CHILDREN**

Children are invited to come forward

**SERMON**

*Glow*

Rev. Sherard Edington

**RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE**

**\*HYMN NO. 384**

*O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go*

ST. MARGARET

## \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by  
the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius  
Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell;  
the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into  
heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church;  
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;  
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

## OFFERTORY PRAYER

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### \*DOXOLOGY

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

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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## SENDING FORTH

\*HYMN NO. 411 *Arise, Your Light Is Come!*

FESTAL SONG

### \*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

### \*CHORAL RESPONSE

### \*POSTLUDE

**WORSHIP NOTES** – We welcome Linda Correll George as our guest organist today. Linda received a B.A in Music from Mt. Holyoke College and her M.A. in Composition and Theory at Hunter College, CUNY. While living in New York, she composed the music for five off-Broadway children's musicals. Her college's award in composition led to the performance of her work at New York's Town Hall. Linda was an assistant professor at Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, and retired as an assistant professor from the University of Florida. She and her husband J.C. George live in Mount Juliet.

## WELCOME

We extend a warm welcome to all who worship with us this morning. If you are seeking a church home, we invite you to become a member of First Presbyterian Church. For more information, please speak to the pastor at the close of the service.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Wednesday Night Fellowship Dinner

March 2, 6:00 p.m.

*Pancake Supper*

To make a reservation, please call the church office by Tuesday, March 1 at (615) 444-1360.

Our Ash Wednesday Service will be held following the pancake supper and will feature the traditional Imposition of Ashes.

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THE PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY of the congregation are extended to the family of **Kay Oliver**, who died on November 8, 2021, in Ohio. Kay is a former member of FPC. Cards can be sent to her sister, Sheri Edmiston, 1155 West River Road North, Elyria, OH 44035.

SPRING SPEAKER SERIES—Join us tonight at 6:00 p.m. as we welcome renowned New Testament scholar Dr. Amy-Jill Levine who will deliver a lecture titled *Understanding Jesus Means Understanding Judaism*. For the health and safety of our community, masks are required.

A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING will be held on March 6 at 10:45 a.m. The purpose of the meeting is to hold the Annual Meeting of the Congregation and hear the Annual Statistical Report.

PRAYER CONCERNS: Prayers for health and well-being for Patsy Barnes, Betsy Crosslin, George Gebhardt, Lydia McVicker, Larry Nickelson, Gould Smith Jr., and Allen Vance.

Prayers for those who are homebound or distanced due to the pandemic: Carolyn Beard, Loyce Bradshaw, Pat Climer, Anne Donnell, Rachel Low, and Lois Ann Wauford.

## YOUTH

YOUTH GROUP (5<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> grade) –No Youth Group on March 2 or 9.

## THIS WEEK AT FPC

### Today

8:45 a.m. Worship  
9:45 a.m. Church School  
11:00 a.m. Worship  
12:15 p.m. Christian Ed Mtg.  
6:00 p.m. Speaker Series

### Monday

### Tuesday

9:00 a.m. Preschool

### Wednesday

6:00 p.m. Fellowship Meal  
6:45 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service  
7:15 p.m. Choir Practice

### Thursday

9:00 a.m. Preschool  
6:00 p.m. Boy Scouts  
7:00 p.m. Praise Team

### Friday

### Saturday

## ELDERS

Class of 2022  
Jessica Fain  
Mickey Stueck  
Pat Bone  
Lee Lyle

Class of 2023  
Max Carter  
Frank Reeves  
David Foutch  
Wayne Patton

Class of 2023  
Jackie Cowden  
Tracey Hay

## DIACONATE

Class of 2022  
Jack Emmert  
Marilyn Peyton  
Laura Simmons  
Margaret Ann Trail

Class of 2023  
Margaret Carroll  
Mark Fain  
Carol Benson  
Pat Hatcher

Class of 2024  
Jonathan Bouton  
Carol Turner  
Van Turner  
Sandra Weatherford

## CHURCH COMMITTEES

Clerk of Session – Barbara Howell  
Treasurer – Robin Orewiler  
Budget & Finance – Frank Reeves  
Buildings and Grounds – Tracey Hay  
Christian Education – Max Carter  
Congregational Care – Mickey Stueck  
Outreach – Jessica Fain  
Personnel – Jackie Cowden  
Worship – Wayne Patton

## STAFF

Ministers – All Members of the Congregation  
Pastor – Sherard Edington  
Director of Music – Branson Clark  
Keyboard – Jonathan Snow  
Organist – Darryl Nettles  
Director of Christian Education – Michael Schulte  
Office Administrator – Kristy Vincent  
Preschool Director – Angela Hankins  
Nursery – Sara Brown  
Custodians – Stratus Cleaning Service

## SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

**Children**  
Nursery  
Preschool – 1<sup>st</sup> Grade  
Elementary Class  
Middle- High School Class

**Adult**  
Crossroads Class  
Faith Builders Class  
Westminster Class  
Women's Class

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