

FIRST



PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LEBANON



July 21, 2024

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

July 21, 2024

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

11:00 A.M.

THE GATHERING

To Glorify God and Enjoy God Forever

PRELUDE *My Faith Looks Up to Thee* Dale Wood

CHIMING THE HOUR

CHORAL INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come, out of your busy lives to a quiet time and place.

People: Our souls thirst for some peace and quiet.

Leader: Come, and rest in the Lord who will restore your souls.

People: Our lives need moments of rest.

Leader: Come and find the quiet center. Come, be at peace.

People: Praise God who offers to us a shelter and resting place.

***HYMN NO. 442** *The Church's One Foundation*

AURELIA

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SPECIAL MUSIC *"Flower Duet" from Lakme* Leo Delibes

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Patient God, we have so much going on in our lives with our work, our families, and even our leisure. Sometimes it gets away from us and we lose sight of you. We get so busy and preoccupied with distractions that we neglect to be still and know that you are God. Even our Sabbath time is overwhelming.

Forgive us, Lord. Forgive us and help us to walk in the way of Jesus who showed deep compassion and love for all. Help us to do what is pleasing in his sight. Help us to be his faithful disciples each day. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: By grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God.

People: Thanks be to God! For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

* Those who are able are invited to stand.

*Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.*

*THE PEACE

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

THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

God our helper,
by your Holy Spirit, open our minds,
that as the Scriptures are read
and your Word is proclaimed,
we may be led into your truth
and taught your will,
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 6:30-34

*As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd;
and he had compassion for them,
because they were like sheep without a shepherd;
and he began to teach them many things.*

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

SPECIAL MUSIC

Claude Debussy

"Clair de Lune" from Suite Bergamasque

SERMON

Rest for the Weary Rev. Sherard Edington

Mark 6:30-34

The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, 'Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.' For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

*HYMN NO. 438 *Blest Be the Tie That Binds*

DENNIS

*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

OFFERTORY *"Arioso" from Cantata 156*

J.S. Bach

*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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Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN NO. 376 *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

HYFRYDOL

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

*POSTLUDE

Holy, Holy, Holy

Lani Smith

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

WE WELCOME cellist **Deidre Emerson** to our worship service today. Deidre is Professor of Cello at Tennessee State University and teaches at Nashville State Community College and Trevecca Nazarene University.

THE 4 CENTS A MEAL offering will be received today. Please use the yellow pew envelope.

THIS WEEK AT FPC

Today		Wednesday	
8:45 a.m.	Worship	6:00 p.m.	Brown Bag
9:45 a.m.	Church School	6:30 p.m.	No Choir Practice
11:00 a.m.	Worship	Thursday	
Monday		6:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts
6:00 p.m.	New Day Group	Friday	
Tuesday		Saturday	

SESSION

Class of 2024
Max Carter
Nancy Gebhardt
Mickey Stueck
Allen Vance

Class of 2025
W.P. Bone
Nancy Boyd
Jack Emmert
Frank Reeves

Class of 2026
Carol Hill
Margaret Ann Trail

DIACONATE

Class of 2024
Jonathan Bouton
Carol Turner
Van Turner
Sandra Weatherford

Class of 2025
Rachel Low
Jim Stueck

Class of 2026
Melissa Cassetty
Karen Hunter-Lowery
Jim Murff

CHURCH COMMITTEES

Clerk of Session – Barbara Howell
Treasurer – Jim Stueck
Budget & Finance – Jim Stueck
Buildings and Grounds – Allen Vance
Christian Education – Nancy Gebhardt
Congregational Care – Nancy Boyd
Outreach – Margaret Ann Trail
Personnel – Jack Emmert
Worship – Mickey Stueck

STAFF

Ministers – All Members of the Congregation
Pastor – Sherard Edington
Organist/Director of Music – Darryl Nettles
Office Administrator – Kristy Vincent
NCC Worship Leader – Natalie Loader
Preschool Director – Angela Hankins
Custodians – Stratus Cleaning Service

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Children
Elementary Class and
Middle - High School Class

Adult
Crossroads Class
Faith Builders Class

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