



SEQUOYAH HILLS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY SCHOOL
9:30 A.M.

WORSHIP SERVICE
8:30 and 11:00 A.M.

Interim Pastor..... Rev. Dr. Steve Eason
 Associate Pastor of Young Adult Ministries.....Rev. Mark Lampley
 Associate Pastor of Older Adult Ministries Rev. Rachel Hamburger
 Pastor Emeritus Rev. Dr. William Barron
 Director of Music Andrew Skoog
 Organist/Pianist..... Dr. Eunsuk Jung
 Director of Children’s Ministries.....Mary Emily Morris
 Director of Youth Ministries.....Laura Cutter
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Sequoyah Hills Presbyterian Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP

February 18, 2018

Eight thirty and Eleven O'clock

GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

OPENING SENTENCES AND PASSING THE PEACE

Warren Sanger

MEDITATION: "Do you not realize that God's kindness is meant to lead you to repentance?"

Romans 2:4

SILENT PRAYER

PRELUDE:

"Faith of Our Fathers" (8:30)

arr. Lani Smith

† "Sonata for Cornet and Piano, Op. 18: II. *Andante Con Espressione*"
Tina Erickson, cornet

Thorvald Hansen

WELCOME AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR DISCIPLESHIP

CHORAL INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made.

People: **Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

* HYMN OF PRAISE #275: "God of Our Life"

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION: (*in unison*)

Lord, you are the God of our life. We are not our own; we have been bought with a price, with the precious blood of your beloved Son. Forgive us for all the ways we try to live independently of you, when you call us to walk with you and to trust in you. As we move into this time of Lent, help us to yield ourselves to your reign in our lives, and to cherish ever more deeply the sacrifice of your love . . . (*silent confession*) . . . Through Christ our Savior we pray, Amen.

* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

* RESPONSE OF REPENTANCE #396, vs. 1 and 3:

O for a closer walk with God, a calm and heavenly frame, a light to shine upon the road, that leads me to the Lamb. The dearest idol I have known, whate'er that idol be, help me to tear it from Thy throne, and worship only thee.

LISTENING FOR GOD

† CHILDREN'S TIME

Mary Emily Morris

(As the children come forward, the congregation shall sing "Jesus Loves Me!")

Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so. Little ones to Him belong, they are weak, but He is strong. Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

(Children age four through first grade meet Children & Worship greeters. Children should be picked up below the Sanctuary after the service.)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT: Isaiah 55:6-9

Pew Bible, Page 685

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

† ANTHEM:

"I Am Not My Own"

Craig Courtney

Chancel Choir and Tina Erickson, trumpet

NEW TESTAMENT: Mark 1:14-15

Pew Bible, Page 35

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON:

"Jesus' Very First Sermon"

Rev. Rachel Hamburger

HYMN (*seated*) #391, vs. 5:

**Take my will, and make it Thine; it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is Thine own; It shall be Thy royal throne,
It shall be Thy royal throne.**

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

THE OFFERING

*Attendance registers are in the pews, next to the center aisle.
Please sign and pass them on to the person sitting next to you.*

OFFERTORY:

"Create in Me a Clean Heart"

Carl Mueller

Isiah Rankin, tenor

* DOXOLOGY: (*Congregation sings.*)

**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.**

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: excerpts from *The Heidelberg Catechism*

What is your only comfort, in life and in death? That I belong – body and soul, in life and in death – not to myself but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ, who at the cost of his own blood has fully paid for all my sins and has completely freed me from the dominion of the devil; that he protects me so well that without the will of my Father in heaven not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, that everything must fit his purpose for my salvation. Therefore, by his Holy Spirit, he also assures me of eternal life, and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

* HYMN OF DEDICATION #356: “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: “Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now” Johann Walther

Large-print bulletins, Bibles, hymnals, and assisted-listening devices (Bluetooth and t-coil compatible) are available upon request. Lightweight shawls are hanging on the coat rack for anyone who would like a little extra warmth. Ushers are available to assist you with these items. Please let us know how we can further assist you.

If you feel the Spirit of God moving you to affirm your faith in Jesus, please speak to a pastor following the Service or contact one this week at the church.

May applause resound in our hearts as we ascribe to the Lord the glory of His Name!

** Please stand if you are able.*

‡ Occurs at the 8:30 Service only. † Occurs at the 11:00 Service only.

CALENDAR

TODAY

8:30 A.M. - Worship Service (Sanctuary)
9:15 A.M. - Fellowship Coffee Cart (Bell Tower)
9:30 A.M. - Sunday School (see CE brochure)
10:30 A.M. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
11:00 A.M. - Worship Service (Sanctuary)

MONDAY

10:30 A.M. - Staff Meeting (Fowler Conference Room)
6:00 P.M. - Grief Care (Room 320)
6:30 P.M. - Marriage Enrichment (Barron Hall)

TUESDAY

8:15 – 8:45 A.M. - Tai Chi Set Practices (Barron Hall)

WEDNESDAY

- 8:15 – 8:45 A.M. - Tai Chi Set Practices (Barron Hall)
- 10:30 A.M. - Wednesday Bible Study (Fowler Conference)
- 4:30 P.M. - Joyful Praise Choir (Upper Conference Room)
- Joyful Noise Choir (Children & Worship Room)
- 5:30 P.M. - Wednesday Night Fellowship (Barron Hall)
- 6:00 P.M. - Infant/Toddler Childcare (Room 204)
- Preschool/Elementary Fun & Games (Barron Hall)
- Youth Small Groups (The Loft)
- Younger Women's Bible Study (Fowler Conference Room)
- Women in the Word Bible Study (Room 320)
- 7:00 P.M. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

THURSDAY

- 8:15 – 8:45 A.M. - Tai Chi Set Practices (Barron Hall)

FRIDAY

- 7:00 A.M. - Men's Bible Studies (various locations)
- 8:30 A.M. - Men's Bible Study (The Empty Cup)
- 10:00 A.M. - Tai Chi (Barron Hall)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ARE YOU A VISITOR WITH US TODAY? We are delighted that you are here. If you would like more information about Sequoyah Church, please speak to an usher or visit our website at www.sequoyahchurch.org.

PRINTED COPIES OF PREVIOUS SERMONS are available in the back of the Sanctuary and in the church office. Sermons and recorded worship services are also available on the church website (sequoyahchurch.org) under the Sermons & Media tab.

PLEASE WELCOME TINA ERICKSON, trumpet instructor at the University of Tennessee, to the 11:00 Worship service this morning.

THERE IS NO SUNDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP TONIGHT due to the Presidents' Day holiday weekend. Enjoy a night off with friends and family!

BE SURE TO PASS THE HAND SANITIZERS, located in the pews with the attendance registers, as we are only halfway through the flu season.

LENTEN GROUPS SIGN-UPS are available this morning in the Bell Tower. "Fight Back with Joy" meets on Wednesdays at 6:00 P.M. in Room 320 (led by Rachel Hamburger and Carole Ayres); "Living a Life of Balance" begins on Wednesday, February 21, at 6:00 P.M. in the Fowler Conference Room (led by Erin Saunders); and "A Bible Study with Steve Eason, Four Passages for Lent" begins on Wednesday, February 28, at 6:00 P.M. in Barron Hall.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE 2018 HAITI PARTICIPANTS on the medical mission trip: Mary Bettis, Dan Cauble, Valerie Coleman, Joe Elmore, Amy Gray, Nancy Hays, Debbie Henson, Elizabeth Hull, Donna Kedrow, Jim Kirksey, Mark Lampley, Lisa Oglesby, Kate Pionke, Tandy Steen, and Sheila White. Pick up a copy of "Experience Haiti from Home!" in the Bell Tower or download from the website under Latest Information.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP this week will feature our **ANNUAL SOUP AND CHILI "BRING & SHARE"** beginning at 5:15. Call the church office at 522-9804 to sign-up to bring a crockpot full of your favorite soup or chili to share. Soup or

chili should be brought to Barron Hall by 4:45 P.M. The church will supply salad, drinks, and dessert. There is no cost for the "Bring & Share" dinner.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH are invited to join Laura Cutter and the interns at Future of Hope's *Rise Up: Faith & Justice Summit* on Saturday, February 24, at First Baptist Church downtown. Text Laura at 244-0271 by February 20 if you are interested in going.

THE NEXT MONDAY MOVIE MATINEE is on February 26 at 3:00 P.M. featuring "Same Kind of Different As Me." Location will be announced in next Sunday's bulletin.

HELP IS NEEDED on Tuesday, February 27, at 10:00 A.M. at the West Knox Food Pantry (behind the Church of the Savior; 934 N. Weisgarber Rd, Knoxville, TN 37909) to unload the truck. It will take an hour or less depending on participation. Call the church office if you can help.

WE EXPRESS OUR LOVE AND SYMPATHY to the family and friends of Varina Jenkins LaNieve, who died on Saturday, February 10.

CHURCH DIRECTORIES: Every family or individual who had their picture taken or a picture submitted can pick up a free directory this morning in the Tower entrance. Directories are labeled alphabetically for your convenience. Please initial beside your name on the list provided that you have taken your copy.

THIS SUNDAY'S VOLUNTEERS: Greeter – Daniel Roop; Ushers – Al Akerman, Ned Babb, Joe Bruner, Rusty Burton, Sandy Gillespie, Beau Hannifin, Lee Hyde, Vance Link, Jim Mitchell, Jerry Sinclair, and Judd Spitzer; January Flowers – Kathryn Callaway, Nancy Barger, Susan Schmid, and Tamara Warner.

IN THE NURSING HOMES AND ASSISTED-LIVING CENTERS: Arbor Terrace – Donna Stevens; Clarity Pointe – Mrs. Barbara Knoph; Westmoreland – Ms. Pat Gray and Mr. Tom Wood.