



SEQUOYAH HILLS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30 A.M.

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

ORDER OF WORSHIP

March 18, 2018

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

GATHERING

WELCOME

Rev. Mark Lampley

PRELUDE:

Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed

Robert Farlee

OPPORTUNITIES FOR DISCIPLESHIP

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made.

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

* HYMN OF PRAISE #488:

The God of Abraham Praise

LEONI

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION: *(in unison)*

Lord, you called us to life in the Spirit, yet we seek to satisfy the flesh. We call you gracious, yet we practice greed. We praise you with our lips, O God, yet we do not honor you in our lives. Discontent consumes us as we yearn for still more things. We know that to live by your grace promises inheritance of new life. Redeem our enslavement to corruptible desires, that we may be worthy to be called righteous in Christ . . . *(silent confession)* . . . Through Christ we pray, Amen.

* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

* ACT OF PRAISE #478, vs. 1: *(Congregation sings.)*

STUTT GART

**Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; to His feet thy tribute bring;
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven; evermore His praises sing:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the everlasting King.**

* PASSING THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.
People: **And also with you.**

THE WORD

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (11:00)

(The congregation will sing as the family comes forward.)

**Child of blessing, child of promise, Baptized with the Spirit's sign, with this water,
God has sealed you unto love and grace divine. Child of joy, our dearest treasure,
God's you are, from God you came. Back to God we humbly give you: Live as one
who bears Christ's name.**

(Children may come forward and gather at the font for the baptism as their Children's Time today.)

*(Following the baptism, children age four through first grade meet their greeters for Children &
Worship. Children should be picked up below the Sanctuary after the service.)*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT: Genesis 12:1-4

Pew Bible, Page 10

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM (11:00)

Think on These Things

CRAIG COURTNEY

NEW TESTAMENT: 2 Corinthians 9:8-12

Pew Bible, Page 184

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON:

"Living Into the Promise"

Rev. John McCall

HYMN #361, vs. 1 (*seated*):

CANONBURY

**How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
Is laid for you faith in God's excellent Word!
What more can be said than to you He hath said,
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?**

RESPONDING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Rachel Hamburger

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:

Consider the Lilies
Kayla Beard, soprano

Roger Hoffman

* 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.**

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

* 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.

SENDING

* HYMN OF DEDICATION: *Standing on the Promises* R. KELSO CARTER

Standing on the promises of Christ my king, through eternal ages let his praises ring; glory in the highest, I will shout and sing, standing on the promises of God.

REFRAIN:

**Standing, standing, standing on the promises of God my Savior;
standing, standing, I'm standing on the promises of God.**

Standing on the promises that cannot fail, when the howling storms of doubt and fear assail, by the living Word of God I shall prevail, standing on the promises of God.

REFRAIN

Standing on the promises of Christ the Lord, bound to him eternally by love's strong cord, overcoming daily with the Spirit's sword, standing on the promises of God.

REFRAIN

Standing on the promises I cannot fall, listening every moment to the Spirit's call, resting in my Savior as my all in all, standing on the promises of God.

REFRAIN

* CHARGE AND BLESSING

BENEDICTION RESPONSE

POSTLUDE: *Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus* Paul Kretzchmar

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.*

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)
- Conversations with PNC
- 10:30 A.M. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
- 11:00 A.M. - Worship Service (Sanctuary)
- 12:00 P.M. - Missionary Luncheon (Reception Room)
- 6:30 P.M. - Loft Open House (Youth Room)

MONDAY

- 10:00 A.M. - Staff Meeting (Youth Room)
- 6:00 P.M. - Grief Care (Room 320)

TUESDAY

- 9:00 A.M. - FISH (Barron Hall)
- 6:00 P.M. - Disciple Small Group (The Loft)_

WEDNESDAY

- 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 Childcare (Media Room)
- Youth Small Groups (The Loft)
- Steve Eason's Lenten Bible Study (Chapel)
- 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

- 6:00 P.M. - Called Session Meeting (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)
- 7:30 P.M. - Movie on the Lawn (Front Lawn)

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.

THE REV. JOHN MCCALL, missionary in the Far East, particularly Taiwan and China, joins us today. John travels throughout Taiwan teaching courses on ministry and spiritual formation to pastors, seminary students, and lay leaders of the Presbyterian Church of Taiwan. He helps pastors find encouragement and facilitates and mentors relationships between older and younger pastors.

INTO THE HOUSEHOLD OF FAITH: During the 11:00 Service today, **William Edward Broyles**, son of Michael and Ashley (Grossman) Broyles, will receive the Sacrament of Baptism. Elder and proud grandmother, Gail Grossman, will represent the Session.

THE FLOWER GUILD is using greenery only during the season of Lent.

NEW OFFICER SUGGESTION FORMS are available in the Bell Tower. Current officers are listed on the back of the form. Completed forms may be placed in the offering plate, left in the church office, or given to any member of the nominating committee: Sally Harris (chair), Whit Addicks, Stephanie Daniel, Katie Hays, Vance Link, Kim Rolfes, and Tommy Schmid. Online forms will also be sent via email. Members are asked to turn in nominations by Monday, March 26.

CONVERSATIONS WITH THE PASTOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE (PNC): The PNC invites you to join them at one of the following meeting times for an opportunity to share your thoughts and ideas for our church. Meetings are scheduled for Wednesday, March 21, at 4:00 P.M. (Fowler Conference Room) and at 9:30 A.M. on the following Sundays: March 18 (Room 319), and March 25 (Rooms 321 and 322).

JOIN THE MISSIONARY SUPPORT COMMITTEE for lunch with Rev. McCall in the Reception Room following the 11:00 Worship Service.

THE LOFT GRAND OPENING is today at 6:30 P.M. Come celebrate with us as we reveal the newly updated youth space, the Loft. There will be food and fellowship as we enjoy breaking in our new spot to hang out and learn. Youth and families are welcome. Bring a friend!

EASTER LILIES: If you would like to place a lily (\$20) in the Sanctuary on Easter Sunday in memory or in honor of a loved one, please contact the church office at 522-9804.

FISH is on Tuesday from 9:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. in Barron Hall with deliveries being made between noon and 2:00 P.M. **SPECIAL ITEMS NEEDED:** sandwich bags, shampoo, and dishwashing liquid. If you can help with deliveries, contact Kim Zirkle at 558-9637 or squeeze84@comcast.net

WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER resumes this week featuring Chik-fil-A Nuggets, mac-n-cheese, green beans, biscuits, salad, and dessert. Serving line opens at 5:15 P.M.

THERE IS A CALLED SESSION MEETING to examine the confirmation class on Thursday at 6:00 P.M. in Barron Hall.

MOVIE ON THE LAWN featuring *Toy Story* is Friday, March 23, at 7:30 P.M. on the front lawn (inclement weather location is Barron Hall). Bring your own blanket and/or chair and non-alcoholic beverages. The Neighborhood Outreach Committee will provide the popcorn. Mark your calendars and bring friends!

THE KNOXVILLE MARATHON is Palm Sunday, March 25. If you attend the early service, plan to arrive by 8:00 A.M. to miss the road closures and enjoy doughnuts, coffee, and fellowship before the 8:30 Worship Service.

THE COMMUNITY EASTER EGG HUNT is on Sunday, March 25, from 3:00 to 5:00 P.M. on the front lawn. RSVP to Mary Emily at memorris@sequoyahchurch.org or 522-9804 by March 21.

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES include dinner and worship on Maundy Thursday, March 29 (5:30 P.M. in Barron Hall and 6:15 P.M. in the Sanctuary); Good Friday worship on March 30 at noon (Chapel); Easter Sunrise Service at 6:30 A.M. (Hunter Valley Farm); Traditional Easter Service with the choir at 8:30 and 11:00 A.M. (Sanctuary).

WE EXTEND OUR LOVE AND SYMPATHY to Jamie Scott on the recent death of her mother, Kay Clement.

POISON PREVENTION WEEK is March 18 through 24. Check out the Parish Nurse Bulletin Board across from the Chapel for some information about the Poison Control Center Number and safety at home.

THIS SUNDAY'S VOLUNTEERS: Greeter – Ed Campbell; Ushers – Al Akerman, Ned Babb, Joe Bruner, Rusty Burton, Sandy Gillespie, Beau Hannifin, Lee Hyde, Vance Link, Jim Mitchell, Jerry Sinclair, and Judd Spitzer; February Flowers – Denise Anderson, Samma Bromley, Kathryn Callaway, Cammy Glover, Judy Luttrell, Susan Schmid, Joyce Simms, and Tamara Warner.

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



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