



SEQUOYAH HILLS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30 A.M.
WORSHIP SERVICE 8:30 and 11:00 A.M.

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY January 6, 2019

GATHERING

WELCOME

Rev. Rachel Hamburger

PRELUDE

Toccata in F

Lani Smith

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 #68

What Star Is This

PUER NOBIS NASCITUR

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*in unison*)

O God, our guide, who once used a star to lead people to Jesus Christ, we confess our poor sense of direction. We let ourselves become confused, easily distracted, and lose our way. We fail to follow the signs you provide. Forgive our waywardness, O God. Lead us to the Christ so that we may follow his way to you. Amen.

* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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

LAUDA ANIMA

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.**

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation

Great Thanksgiving

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.

Words of Institution

Intinction (Please come forward to receive the elements if you are able. If not, Communion will be served to you in the pew.)

Prayer of Commitment: **We thank you, O God, that through Word and Sacrament you have given us your Son, who is the true bread from heaven and food of eternal life. So strengthen us in your service that our daily living may show our thanks, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

SENDING

* HYMN OF DEDICATION #285 *God, You Spin the Whirling Planets* AUSTRIAN HYMN

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Echo Alleluia

Lani Smith

Prayer is available after worship at the front of the Sanctuary.

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)

9:30 A.M. - Sunday School (see CE brochure)

10:30 A.M. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

11:00 A.M. - Worship Service (Sanctuary)

5:30 P.M. - Stephen Ministry Supervision (Media Room)

MONDAY

- 10:00 A.M. - Staff Meeting (Fowler Conference Room)
- Sit and Be Fit Exercise (The Loft)
- 11:15 A.M. - Yoga Class (The Loft)

TUESDAY

- 10:00 A.M. - Presbyterian Women (Fowler Conference Room)
- 6:30 P.M. - Stated Session Meeting (Barron Hall)

WEDNESDAY

- 10:30 A.M. - Wednesday Bible Study (Fowler Conference Room)
- 4:30 P.M. - Joyful Praise Choir (Upper Conference Room)
- Joyful Noise Choir (Children & Worship Room)
- 5:15 P.M. - Wednesday Night Fellowship (Barron Hall)
- 6:00 P.M. - Dr. Eason's Bible Study (Barron Hall)
- Infant/Toddler Childcare (Room 204)
- Preschool/Elementary Childcare (Media Room)
- Youth Small Groups (The Loft)
- 7:00 P.M. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

THURSDAY

- 10:00 A.M. - Sit and Be Fit Exercise (The Loft)
- 11:15 A.M. - Yoga Class (The Loft)
- 12:00 P.M. - Church & Community Luncheon (Barron Hall)

FRIDAY

- 7:00 A.M. - Men's Bible Studies (various locations)
- 9:30 A.M. - Beginner's Tai Chi (Barron Hall)
- 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 Hills Presbyterian Church, please speak to an usher or visit our website at www.sequoyahchurch.org.

THE FLOWERS TODAY are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Morgan Mahan Myers with love from her family.

WE WELCOME TO THE LORD'S TABLE Molly Beilharz, who was examined and approved by the Session this morning, and who will participate in her first Communion during the 11:00 Worship Service.

PRINTED COPIES OF PREVIOUS SERMONS are available in the back of the Sanctuary and in the church office. Sermons and recorded Worship Services are available on the church website under the Sermons & Media tab.

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE: At the time the bulletin was printed, 238 pledges had been received totaling \$1,724,760 of which 45 are new pledges. 43 households that pledged in 2018 have not yet pledged for 2019. Pledge cards are available in the pews and in the back of the Sanctuary. A confidential online pledge card is also available on the church website. No pledge is binding, but it does help in planning 2019 programs and budget. Thank you for your generosity!

THE ANCIENT PRACTICE OF PASSING THE PEACE is more than a good morning greeting. "Peace be with you" was a greeting Jesus himself used with his disciples. When we pass the peace, we share the signs of reconciliation and the peace of Christ. The gesture is simple, but the meaning profound. As forgiven and reconciled people, let us share the peace of Christ with one another.

NEW SERMON SERIES: From January through March, Dr. Eason will offer a new sermon series, "A Word a Week." Each week the focus of the sermon will be on a different word in the Bible. Each word builds on the other, revealing God's tenacious love for the world. Join us and invite a friend. If you have to miss, catch our livestream on Sundays at 11:00 at SequoyahChurch.org.

JANUARY CHAPEL SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS: When the apostle Paul was imprisoned in Rome, he wrote a letter to encourage the church in Colossae. Doug White will teach on the major themes in Colossians in our Chapel during Sunday School January 6-27. Doug has been Professor of Practical Theology at Erskine Seminary in South Carolina. All are welcome to attend.

NEW EXERCISE CLASSES BEGIN TOMORROW: The "Sit and Be Fit" class, primarily a chair class that uses weights and bands to increase your strength, endurance and balance, meets from 10:00 to 11:00. The yoga class meets from 11:15 to 12:15. Bring your mat, towel, and water. Classes meet every Monday and Thursday mornings in the Loft (upper level of the Spitzer Building) and will be taught by Covenant Health Bodyworks instructors. The cost is \$3 per class.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN meet on Tuesday at 10:00 A.M. in the Fowler Conference Room.

THE STATED SESSION MEETING is Tuesday at 6:30 P.M. in Barron Hall.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP resumes on January 9 (5:15 to 6:00 P.M.).

DR. EASON'S BIBLE STUDY begins on Wednesday in Barron Hall at 6:00 P.M. He will explore the texts that will be the source of the upcoming Sunday sermon. Come and find out what is behind the scenes of the passage, how a sermon is born from it, and what won't make it into the sermon. All ages welcome. Hope you will join us!

THE CHURCH & COMMUNITY LUNCHEON JANUARY 10. Plan to join us as our own Rev. Mark Lampley shares his experiences from past Haiti mission trips. Please contact the church office, 522-9804, by January 8 to reserve your spot.

SUPPORT OUR HAITI MISSION TRIP by donating non-prescription children's and adult sunglasses in the box labeled "Sunglasses for Haitians" in the church office.

THE NEXT MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT SERIES begins on Monday, January 21, in the Spitzer Education Building, Room 322. Whether you enjoy a deep and loving connection with your partner or struggle to talk about simple things without conflict, we would love for you to join us. The series will go from 6:30 to 8:00 every Monday evening for eight weeks. The workshop will be appropriate for all couples in a deeply committed relationship. A minimum of 12 couples is needed. The cost is \$100 per couple and free childcare is available upon request. The registration deadline is Friday, January 11. Please contact Becky Guyton, rguyton@sequoyahchurch.org or 522-9804, to register or with any questions.

A PARENT AND YOUTH MEETING is planned for Sunday, January 13, at 6:30 P.M. in the Loft to plan spring semester youth ministries. We will engage and educate youth and parents about programming, offer sign-ups and the chance to make payments for key events, reintroduce interns and volunteers, and inform parents on ways to support youth ministry as well as new adult discipleship opportunities. A light supper is provided by youth committee. RSVP to SCatron@sequoyahchurch.org.

SHPC YOUTH ARE INVITED to stay up all night with us at The Loft: Middle School Winter Lock-in February 8, 2019. Meet at the Loft at 8:00 P.M. to kick off the evening with music and games, then head to the Main Event for unlimited games, laser tag, and bowling. Afterward, it is back to The Loft for movies, games, and snacks till the sun comes up. Each guest should bring a sleeping bag with boys bringing a soda/Gatorade to share, and girls bringing a shareable salty or sweet snack. Please return your registration card (and notarized release) and \$35 payment for lock-in to SHPC by January 30, 2019.

SAVE THE DATE: 2019 Montreat Church-Wide Retreat is April 5 through 7. Join us for “Lessons from the Wilderness: What We Learn from Times of Crisis and Challenge” led by Dr. Steve Eason. Registration information is available in the church office and on the website.

AFTER EACH WORSHIP SERVICE two members of our Lay Prayer Team are available at the front of the Sanctuary to pray with and for you. “...pray for one another, so that you may be healed.” James 5:16

THIS SUNDAY’S VOLUNTEERS: Greeter – Louise Lindsay; Ushers –Ned Babb, Joe Bruner, Rusty Burton, Sandy Gillespie, Beau Hannifin, Lee Hyde, Vance Link, Jim Mitchell, Jerry Sinclair, Judd Spitzer, and Beth Sterchi; December Flowers –Denise Anderson, Midge Ayres, Sunnv Biden, Helen Bruner, Anne & Frank Callaway, Ellvn Cauble, Stephanie Daniel, Amelia Daniels, Brandy Downing, Peyton Drysdale, Victoria Frazier, Cammy Glover, Gail Grossman, Cathy Hasson, Florence Johnston, Judy Luttrell, Adrienne McPeake, Linda Raulston, Peggy Tippens, Tamara Warner, and Cathy Youmans.

IN THE NURSING HOMES AND ASSISTED-LIVING CENTERS: Arbor Terrace – Donna Stevens; Avenir Memory Care – Barbara Knoph; Elmcroft – Mamie Vohs; NHC Farragut – Barbara Patterson; Northshore Senior Living – Phyllis Marks; Park Place of West Knoxville – Jim Patteson; Westmoreland – Betty Benson and Pat Gray.



A Stephen Ministry Congregation

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