



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

March 3, 2019

GATHERING

WELCOME

Dr. Steve Eason

INTROIT (8:30)

Surely the Presence of the Lord
Teresa Anstatt, soprano

Lanny Wolfe

(11:00)

This Is The Day
SHPC Chancel Choir

Gordon Young

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 #481 *Praise the Lord, God's Glories Show* LLANFAIR

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*in unison*)

O God, when trials beset us it is natural to fear. Called to be courageous, we find our faith lacking. When asked to take risks, we confess our complacency. By ignoring injustice, we hope that it will subside. You have shown us that you are a God to be trusted. Leading your people, you have stayed by their side. Forgive our reluctance to believe in your guidance, and grant us the wisdom to seek refuge in Christ, in whose name we pray, 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.**

(During flu season, you are welcome to touch elbows, give a pat on the back, or fist pumps.)

THE WORD

CHILDREN'S TIME (11:00)

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 in the Fowler Conference Room after the service.)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Cliff Rodgers

OLD TESTAMENT Psalm 31:9-18

Pew Bible, p. 506

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SOLO

Panis Angelicus
Teresa Anstatt, soprano

César Franck

NEW TESTAMENT 2 Corinthians 12:7b-10

Pew Bible, p. 185

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

"The Thorn!"

Dr. Steve Eason

HYMN #322 (seated)

Spirit of the Living God

LIVING GOD

**Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me;
Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.
Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.**

RESPONDING

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 (8:30)

He Leadeth Me
Eunsuk Jung, piano

Greg Howlett

(11:00)

Awake, My Soul
SHPC Chancel Choir

Craig Courtney

* 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

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

Distribution of Elements (*Please hold the Bread and the Cup, that we might partake of them together as a family of faith.*)

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 #517 *We Come as Guests Invited* WIE LIEBLICH IST DER MAIEN

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *All Glory Be to God on High* Friedrich Zachau

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. - Confirmation Class (The Loft)

- Sunday School (see CE brochure)
- 10:30 A.M. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
- 11:00 A.M. - Worship Service (Sanctuary)
- 12:15 P.M. - Confirmation Class Lunch and Service Project (off site)
- 6:30 P.M. - Middle School Sunday Night Fellowship (The Loft)

MONDAY

- 10:00 A.M. - Staff Meeting (Fowler Conference Room)
- Sit and Be Fit Exercise (Room 232)
- 11:15 A.M. - Yoga Class (The Loft)
- 6:00 P.M. - Grief Care (Room 320)

TUESDAY

- 10:00 A.M. - JOY Fellowship Trip (off site)
- 4:30 P.M. - Youth Serve at Thrive Parkridge (off site)

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. - Infant/Toddler Childcare (Room 204)
- Preschool/Elementary Childcare (Media Room)
- 6:15 P.M. - Ash Wednesday Worship Service (Sanctuary)
- 7:00 P.M. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

THURSDAY

- 10:00 A.M. - Sit and Be Fit Exercise (Room 232)
- 11:15 A.M. - Yoga Class (The Loft)

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.

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.

MARK LAMPLEY AND RACHEL HAMBURGER will return to the office tomorrow. Rev. Lampley is worshipping at First Presbyterian, Charleston, WV during for their bicentennial celebration. Rev. Hamburger is worshipping in California where she has concluded a time of enrichment.

WE WELCOME TO TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICES Teresa Anstatt, daughter of Pat Klein, as our guest soloist.

CHILDREN & WORSHIP will meet in the Fowler Conference Room (in the church office area). Please be sure to pick up your children immediately following worship.

VOLUNTEERS ARE STILL NEEDED FOR OUR HABITAT BUILD: Please consider helping build a home for the Comer family. Gwen and daughter Erica are

worshipping with us at the 11:00 Service today. They are excited about partnering with us and have been preparing by way of hundreds of hours of service on other homes. **Blitz Days are Saturday, March 9 and March 16.** Registration is available in the Bell Tower or on the main page of the church website. When registering online, you must create an account (choose your own username and password; leave "join code" blank; for area of interest, choose "Interested in Construction"; and complete the bio page). You will be automatically redirected to the page where you choose the day(s) you'd like to volunteer.

THE CONFIRMATION CLASS will meet at Jimmy John's on Papermill at 12:15 P.M. for lunch followed by a service project at the West Knox FISH Pantry from 1:00 until 3:00 P.M.

SMALL GROUPS FOSTER DISCIPLESHIP AND FELLOWSHIP, so register now for a short-term group in March and April: Mondays 5:30 to 6:30 P.M. video and Bible study *He Chose the Nails: What God Did to Win Your Heart* led by Mark Lampley; Thursdays 7:30 to 8:30 A.M. *The Daniel Plan: 40 Days of a Healthier Life* led by Rosemary Gilliam and Becky Guyton; Wednesdays 6:00 to 7:00 P.M. New Testament Gospel Parables large-group presentation and discussion led by clergy; and Wednesdays 6:00 to 7:00 P.M. women's study *Following God by Treasuring His Wisdom* led by Erin Saunders. Registration available after worship in the Bell Tower, at Wednesday Night Fellowship, or by calling 522-9804.

JOIN JOY FELLOWSHIP (Adults 55+) for a museum tour and lunch at Bush Brothers Beans on Tuesday, March 5. The group will leave SHPC at 10:00 A.M. and return mid-afternoon. There is the option for a shopping excursion in Dandridge. The cost for lunch is \$15. Call 522-9804 to reserve your spot.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP features grilled chicken, roasted potatoes, yeast rolls, salad, and dessert. The serving line is open from 5:15 to 6:00 P.M.

THE ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP SERVICE begins at 6:15 P.M. in the Sanctuary. Adults, youth, and children are welcome. Worship includes the imposition of ashes on the forehead (or back of hand) signifying from dust we have come and to dust we shall return (cf. Genesis 3:19). This is a casual service that will end by 7:00. The service begins the six weeks of Lent leading up to Easter and offers a time of repentance or confession as we journey, like Christ, to the cross in Jerusalem.

PASTORS' PICKS are on display and ready for check-out in the church library.

ATTENTION, ALL WOMEN: Every other year our women gather on-site for a mini-retreat. Join us for a Lunch and Learn on Sunday, March 10, from 12:15 to 2:00 P.M. in Barron Hall. Following a warm lunch and fellowship, Hanley Roach will speak on anxiety and depression and ways to offer help and hope. Lunch is \$5 and childcare is available with reservation. RSVP at 522-9804. Contact Chandra Becker, Women's Ministries Chair, at 214-499-7532 with any questions.

WE EXTEND OUR LOVE AND SYMPATHY to Joe Reed and family on the death of his brother, Gil Reed, on Saturday, February 23. *"I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die."* John 11: 25-26

THE DEACONS OF SEQUOYAH HILLS are calling every member of the church between now and Easter simply to find out where you are in life and how you are doing. We hope you will take this call. Just hearing from you will be invaluable.

HELP IS NEEDED sorting through the abundant donations recently received at KARM Stores. If you could help on a Saturday in March, contact Dan Gaubas at 356-2475.

JOIN AN ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS: (1) Chapel – Acts; (2) Spitzer Room 322 – John Ortberg's *All the Places We Will Go*; (3) Spitzer Room 320 – 2 Peter; (4)

Spitzer Room 318 – Book of John; (5) Spitzer Room 317 – Life of Jesus through Gospels. All are welcome to attend any class at any time.

DELICIOUS, HEALTH-ENHANCING HOLY LAND OLIVE OIL is available for purchase. The oil, produced by Palestinian farmers, is extra virgin, certified organic, and fair trade. The oil (\$15 per 500ml bottle or \$168 for twelve bottles) is available by contacting Sherry Shepherd at 621-5073 or chshepherd4@aol.com.

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 – Stephanie Benko; Ushers – Ned Babb, Joe Bruner, Sandy Gillespie, Beau Hannifin, Lee Hyde, Vance Link, Jim Mitchell, Jerry Sinclair, Judd Spitzer, and Beth Sterchi. February Flowers – Samma Bromley, Cammy Glover, and Adrienne McPeake.

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.



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