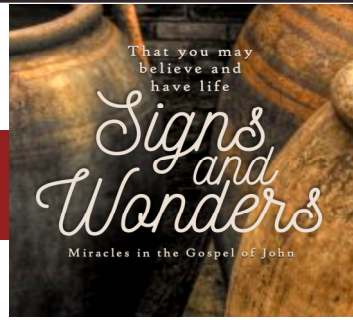


SEQUOYAH HILLS
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Service of the Lord's Day
November 22, 2020 | 11:00 A.M.

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INTROIT *O, How He Loves You and Me* by Kurt Kaiser

MOMENT FOR MISSION: Roses Creek Jennifer White

WELCOME Dr. Jay Howell

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made.

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

*HYMN *Crown Him with Many Crowns* DIADEMATA

*(For those worshiping in person, please use "indoor voices"
while wearing your mask for everyone's safety.)*

Crown Him with many crowns, The Lamb upon His throne; Hark, how the heavenly anthem drowns, All music but its own! Awake, my soul, and sing, Of Him who died for thee, And hail Him as thy matchless King, Through all eternity.

Crown Him the Lord of love; Behold His hands and side, Rich wounds, yet visible above, In beauty glorified: No angel in the sky, Can fully bear that sight, But downward bends his burning eye, At mysteries so bright.

Crown Him the Lord of peace; Whose power a scepter sways, From pole to pole, that wars may cease, Absorbed in prayer and praise: His reign shall know no end; And round His pierced feet, Fair flowers of paradise extend, Their fragrance ever sweet.

Crown Him the Lord of years, The Potentate of time; Creator of the rolling spheres, Ineffably sublime. All hail, Redeemer, hail! For Thou hast died for me; Thy praise shall never, never fail, Throughout eternity.

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison) Rev. Rachel Hamburger

Righteous God, you have crowned Jesus Christ as Lord of all, and conquered sin and death in Him.

We confess that we have not bowed before him and are slow to acknowledge his rule. We give allegiance to the powers and fears of this world.

In your mercy, forgive us. Raise us to proclaim Jesus as ruler of all, that we may trust him, love him, and serve him in joyful witness to your whole world.

*SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*ACT OF PRAISE (Congregation sings.)

GLORIA PATRI

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, World without
end. Amen. (Amen.)**

*PASSING THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT Ezekiel 11:17-20

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SOLO

Because He Lives

arr. Jack Schrader

Aubrey Odle, mezzo-soprano

NEW TESTAMENT John 11:31-44

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Signs and Wonders: Unbound

Dr. Jay Howell

HYMN (seated)

Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

LEMMELE

Turn your eyes upon Jesus.

**Look full in His wonderful face,
and the things of earth will grow strangely dim
in the light of His glory and grace.**

RESPONDING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE /THE LORD'S PRAYER

*As we remain faithful in our giving, this prayer will include time for silent thanksgiving
and dedication as our worshipful offering to God.*

**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.**

*DOXOLOGY (Congregation sings.)

OLD HUNDREDTH

**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** *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** *By Raising Laz'rus from the Dead* sung to MIT FREUDEN ZART

By raising Laz'rus from the dead, ere Thou began Thy Passion. Thou didst, O Lord, remove our dread of death in glorious fashion. For in his life a glimpse we see of wonders in eternity: All likewise shall awaken.

Thou art, O Christ, the Life of all, Thou art the Resurrection. The blessed dead shall heed Thy call and rise unto perfection. Thou who called Laz'rus from the grave Thyself didst rise, the world to save, Granting divine forgiveness.

And so, we raise victorious palms with praise none shall extinguish, And cry to Thee with hymns and psalms, who death for us didst vanquish: "Hosanna in the highest heav'n! All blessing now to Him be giv'n, Who in the Lord's name cometh!"

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE "Hallelujah Chorus" from *Messiah* arr. Andrew Skoog

**Please stand if you are able.*

CALENDAR

Sunday

- 8:15 A.M. - Nursery for 8:30 Service (Room 204)
 - Toddler Childcare for 8:30 Service (Room 209)
- 8:30 A.M. - In-Person Worship (Barron Hall)
- 9:45 A.M. - 2-year-old Sunday School (Room 220/Green Frog)
 - 3-and 4-year-old Sunday School (Room 224/Yellow Duck)
 - 5-year-old/K Sunday School (Room 226/Orange Tiger)
 - 1st-5th Grade Sunday School (Lower level Spitzer/Kingdom)
 - Youth Sunday School (The Loft)
 - Adult Fellowship Class (Room 320)
 - Foundations Class (Room 317)
- 9:45 A.M. - Online Sunday School: Christian Growth, Foundations, Adult Fellowship, and Chapel Class (Zoom)

- 10:30 A.M. - Nursery for 11:00 Service (Room 204)
 - Toddler Childcare for 11:00 Service (Room 209)
 - Extended Session for 2- to 4-year-olds (Room 220)
- 11:00 A.M. - In-Person (Sanctuary) and Livestream Worship
- 5:00 P.M. - Stephen Ministry Supervision (Zoom)

Monday

- 2:00 P.M. - Yoga (The Loft)

Wednesday

- 10:30 A.M. - Adult Bible Study (Zoom)
- 6:00 P.M. - Women's 45+ Bible Study (Zoom)

Thursday and Friday: Church Office Closed

ANNOUNCEMENTS

IN-PERSON WORSHIP is available at 8:30 A.M. in Barron Hall and at 11:00 A.M. in the Sanctuary. Please refer to the Latest Information section of our website for more information and to register.

IF YOU ARE WORSHIPING with us as a visitor, welcome! For more information about any of our ministries, contact Rev. Mark Lampley.

CONSIDERING JOINING SEQUOYAH CHURCH? You are invited to participate in a Zoom meeting for Newcomers on Sunday, December 13, at 9:30 A.M. Email Megan Landers Megan.Landers55@gmail.com or Mark Lampley at MLampley@SequoyahChurch.org. We have several joining that day and would be happy to welcome others!

WORSHIP

THIS YEAR'S CHRISTMAS CONCERT, *Virtually Yours: A Celebration of Christmas*, features Andrew Skoog, Eusnuk Jung, SHPC Scholarship Singers, and a KSO quartet. The concert will be available on December 2 at 7:00 P.M. via email, social media, and on the church website.

TO DONATE A POINSETTIA/CHRISTMAS FLOWERS for the church in honor or in memory of a loved one, please call 522-9804 by Monday, December 7. The cost is \$25 each (checks made payable to SHPC, marked "Poinsettias").

SCHOLARSHIP SINGERS ASSISTING IN WORSHIP: Adia Evans-Ledon, soprano; Conelia Lotito and Aubrey Odle, mezzo-sopranos; Jack Francis and Tim Pope, tenors; Michael Roemer, baritone.

THANKS TO EVERYONE WHO CONTRIBUTED canned goods for Second Harvest at the Thanksgiving Worship Service. Many meals will be provided with your generous donations.

STEWARDSHIP

THANKS TO EVERYONE who joined in our pledge campaign on Commitment Sunday! If you've taken some more time to pray and consider your pledge for 2021, you can submit that pledge online, by mail, or by returning it to the church office. God is good!

MISSIONS AND OUTREACH: CHRISTMAS PROJECTS

Detailed information about each of the following projects is available at sequoyahchurch.org/local-missions:

Roses Creek: To adopt a family or help deliver gifts, email jennifer6178@hotmail.com;

Pond Gap: To purchase gifts for a deserving student, email tootieorchid@comcast.net;

Thrive Parkridge: Donate to the Thrive Holiday Store;

For FISH Christmas Cards, email rguyton@sequoyahchurch.org.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

THE HEALTH AND WHOLENESS COMMITTEE INVITES YOU TO "WALK TO BETHLEHEM" – an imaginary walk that encourages both physical activity and spiritual growth. Two "Sunset Walks" in Lakeshore Park are also scheduled. For more information or to register for a Sunset Walk, go to www.sequoyahchurch.org/care-ministries/ and click on Health & Wholeness.

A NEW EMPLOYMENT MINISTRY: If you need job information or have a job to offer, our deacons have started a new ministry of prayer and support based on a network of ideas and leads. Email your request or opportunity to deacons@sequoyahchurch.org. One Deacon will read your email confidentially and respond.

OUR CHRISTIAN LOVE AND PRAYERS surround Eric Bettis in the death of his son, Thales Craig-Bettis on October 10; Jane Moyer and Jim Culpepper in the death of their son, Townsend Culpepper, on November 4; and Rachel Hamburger in the death of her mother, Mary Hamburger, on November 7.

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

HOLD THE DATE: April 16-17, 2021, for our All-Church Retreat, a "Stay Retreat," on our own SHPC campus, with some extra off-campus adventures for all ages. Speakers will be the Revs. Carson and Janet Salyer. Carson was Associate Pastor here at SHPC from 1983 until 1995. More information coming soon.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

INDOOR SUNDAY SCHOOL: children, youth, the Foundations class, and the Adult Fellowship class will meet in the Spitzer Building at 9:45 A.M. Plan on masking, distancing, and being screened. Please help us by registering in advance at SequoyahChurch.org under Latest Information.

ON-SITE SUNDAY CHILDCARE: 8:15 A.M. Nursery (Room 204), Toddler (Room 209), 10:30 A.M. Nursery (Room 204), Toddler (Room 209), Extended Session (Room 220 – limit of 10 children). Registration is required for childcare.

VIRTUAL SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES for children, youth, and adults are offered each Sunday. Join in for fellowship, prayer, and learning. Information available on the calendar and on our website's Connect and Grow page. Foundations class is now in-person and via Zoom. Link in Sunday email. Teacher: Curtis Jones. Topic: Prayer.

LET US CONTINUE TO BE GENEROUS as we are called and able in our financial commitments to God, as our church is resolved to maintain our commitments to our staff and mission partners as much as we are able during this crisis.

CHECK OUT OUR FACEBOOK PAGE, INSTAGRAM, WEBSITE, AND WEEKLY EMAIL for the most up-to-date information.



A Stephen Ministry Congregation