



SEQUOYAH HILLS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
SERVICE OF THE LORD'S DAY

January 17, 2021 | 11:00 A.M.

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INTROIT *Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus* by Helen Lemmel

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 *O Day of Rest and Gladness* ELLACOMBE

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

**O day of rest and gladness, O day of joy and light! O balm of care and sadness, Most beautiful, most bright. On Thee, the high and lowly, through ages joined in tune. Sing holy, holy, holy, to the great God Triune.**

**On Thee, at the creation the light first had its birth. On Thee, for our salvation, Christ rose from depths of earth. On Thee, our Lord, victorious, the Spirit sent from heav'n. And thus, on Thee, most glorious, a triple light was giv'n.**

**New graces ever gaining from this, our day of rest. We reach the rest remaining to spirits of the blessed. To Holy Ghost be praises, to Father, and to Son. The church her voice upraises to Thee, blessed Three in One.**

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

**Holy God, we confess our sin, in the midst of your deep and abiding love for us. You call us both to work heartily in the fields of your kingdom, and to rest deeply in the presence of your grace. We often fail at both work and rest. We grow weary doing what is right. We shoulder burdens that are not from you. Please restore us to yourself, and redirect our ways, through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Savior.**

\*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

NEW TESTAMENT 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SOLO "O Rest in the Lord" from *Elijah* Felix Mendelssohn  
Cornelia Lotito, mezzo-soprano

OLD TESTAMENT Exodus 5:10-23

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON *Holy Days: Lazybones* Dr. Jay Howell

HYMN (seated) *We Rest on Thee* Edith G. Cherry

**We rest on Thee, our Shield and our Defender;  
We go not forth alone against the foe;  
Strong in Thy strength, safe in Thy keeping tender.  
We rest on Thee, and in Thy Name we go.**

### 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 HUNDRETH

**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      *from The Second Helvetic Confession, 5.224  
and The Shorter Catechism, 7.060*

**“We see that in the ancient churches there were not only certain set hours in the week appointed for meetings, but that also the Lord's Day itself, ever since the apostles' time, was set aside for them and for a holy resting, even from such worldly employments and recreations as are lawful on other days. The whole time was to be spent in the public and private exercises of God's worship, except so much as is to be taken up in the works of necessity and mercy.”**

### SENDING

\*HYMN                              *Teach Me, My God and King*                              FESTAL SONG

**Teach me, my God and King, in all things Thee to see. And what I do in anything, to do it as for Thee.**

**To scorn the senses' sway, while still to Thee I tend. In all I do be Thou the Way, in all be Thou the End.**

**All may of Thee partake; nothing so small can be, but draws, when acted for Thy sake, greatness and worth from Thee.**

**If done t'obey Thy laws, e'en servile labors shine; hallowed is toil, if this the cause, the meanest work divine.**

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE                              *Duo*                              by Gaspard Corrette

*\*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)
- 9:30 A.M. - Virtual Sunday School: Children and Youth
- 10:00 A.M. - Online Sunday School: Adults (Zoom)
- 10:30 A.M. - Nursery for 11:00 Service (Room 204)
  - Toddler Childcare for 11:00 Service (Room 209)
- 11:00 A.M. - In-Person (Sanctuary) and Livestream Worship

**Monday - Office Closed for Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday**

#### Tuesday

- 4:30 P.M. - Youth Serve at Thrive (off site)

#### Wednesday

- 10:30 A.M. - Adult Bible Study (Zoom)
- 6:00 P.M. - Luke/Acts Bible Study (Zoom)
  - Women's 45+ Bible Study (Zoom)
  - Youth Small Groups (off-site)
- 6:30 P.M. - Women's Casual Bible Study (off-site)

## **Thursday**

8:00 A.M. - Men's Bible Study (off-site)

### **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 Pastor Mark Lampley.

**SHPC'S ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** will take place at 11:00 A.M. on January 24, both in-person and by Zoom. Business includes presenting the 2021 budget, electing officers, and approving pastoral terms of call. Log in information will be sent out on Sunday morning.

### **WORSHIP**

**SCHOLARSHIP SINGERS ASSISTING IN WORSHIP:** Sabreena Cherrington and Adia Evans-Ledon, sopranos; Cornelia Lotito, mezzo-soprano; Adriel Baralt, Jack Francis, and Tim Pope, tenors; Joel Brown, baritone.

### **STEWARDSHIP**

**THANKS TO EVERYONE** who has already joined in our pledge campaign for 2021. Currently we have received 228 pledges totaling \$1,677,046. If you're ready to submit your pledge, you can do so online, by mail, or by returning it to the church office. God is good!

### **MISSIONS AND OUTREACH**

**WEARS VALLEY RANCH** is our Local Missions focus for January. This agency provides a Christian home, education, and counseling for children in crisis situations. You can help by donating waterproof gloves and other items for their Ranch store. Our website, newsletter, and Weekly E-News have additional information.

### **CONGREGATIONAL CARE**

**COVID VACCINES:** Our Parish Nurse advises contacting your primary MD. Other avenues would be to contact Knox County Health Department COVID Hotline (215-5555) for availability of vaccine appointments, as well as to watch Local News. Information is constantly updated and as new information becomes available it will be shared.

**EMPLOYMENT NEEDS?** During these months many have had changes in their employment. Our SHPC Deacons are offering support based on a network of ideas and leads. You are welcome to email [deacons@sequoyahchurch.org](mailto:deacons@sequoyahchurch.org) with your need or your job opportunity.

**DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO HAS A NEED** for some tangible assistance (e.g., car part or food card) at a critical time? The Silent Angels Fund provides anonymously for small needs that arise on an unanticipated basis. For more information contact Bobbie Corden at [bobbiecorden@icloud.com](mailto:bobbiecorden@icloud.com) or 850-4041.

## CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

**OUR LOVE AND PRAYERS** surround Celia Angel in the death of her mother, Dr. Cathryn S. Angel, on January 7; and Doug Peek and family on the death of his father, Douglas Peek, Sr., on January 6. Jesus said, *"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted."* Matthew 5:4

**ARE YOU READY FOR THE 2021 SHPC ALL-CHURCH RETREAT?** Mark your calendars for the "Stay Retreat" April 16-17. This weekend of fun and fellowship will include off-campus adventures for all ages. Speakers will be the Revs. Carson (former associate pastor) and Janet Salyer. More information is coming soon.

**WOMEN WALKING IN THE WORD** groups continue meeting, once a week for moments in the Word, and a brisk walk. If you were not a part of a group this Fall but would like to join in, contact Julieanne Foy at [jcfoy@icloud.com](mailto:jcfoy@icloud.com). Groups meet at different times. The fellowship is AWESOME!

## CHRISTIAN FORMATION

**TODAY'S SERMON TEXT** comes from the first five books of the Hebrew Scriptures (Pentateuch) and a section of the Bible including Torah meaning law. This second book speaks of: Deliverance, Covenant, and Guidance. Note how God provides leadership with Moses and redeems his people from bondage.

**A NEW TESTAMENT BIBLE SURVEY COURSE:** This self-paced, online course is open to all from now until June 30. All lectures are pre-recorded and taught by Dr. John Carroll, Professor of New Testament, Union Presbyterian Seminary. For more information, email [Mlampley@SequoyahChurch.org](mailto:Mlampley@SequoyahChurch.org).

**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.

**NEW YEAR RESOLUTION INCLUDE MORE BIBLE STUDY?** Why not join a Virtual Sunday School Class? Classes for children, youth, and adults are offered each Sunday. Join in for fellowship, prayer, and learning. Information is available on the calendar and on our website's Connect and Grow page.

**CURRENT ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL TOPICS INCLUDE** Luke's Gospel (Bible Discovery), 1 Thessalonians (Adult Fellowship), 1st Peter (Christian Growth), and Prayer (Foundations). Consider joining a Sunday

morning Zoom class to learn more about the Bible, spiritual disciples, and faith by following the link in the Sunday morning congregational email.

**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.

