



SEQUOYAH HILLS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
SERVICE OF THE LORD'S DAY

February 14, 2021 | 11:00 A.M.

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

WELCOME Dr. Jay Howell

MOMENT FOR MISSION: London Andrew Attia

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made.

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

*HYMN *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing* AZMON

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

O for a thousand tongues to sing my dear Redeemer's praise, the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of God's grace!

Jesus, the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease; 'Tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life, and health, and peace.

Christ breaks the power of reigning sin, and sets the prisoner free; Christ's blood can make the sinful clean, Christ's blood availed for me.

My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim, to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of Thy name.

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

Gracious God, Your Holy Word confirms Your love, peace, and omnipresence, leaving us in awe. Yet we come before You, pleading for mercy as we hold so tightly to worries and concerns about our future.

We are bombarded daily with overwhelming bad news along with our own struggles and heartaches. It seems as if the world is spinning out of control. But it is not! You are with us always and You are in control. Help us to loosen our grip, to release all that consumes us so we may rest in Your Holy Presence, through Christ our Lord.

*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

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

(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.**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

NEW TESTAMENT Titus 3:3-7

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SOLO

Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!

arr. William Cutter

Matthew Tolson, tenor

OLD TESTAMENT Exodus 33:7-17

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Holy Days: Resting in the Presence

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 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 *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

Dear Lord and Father of Mankind

REST

Dear Lord and Father of mankind, forgive our foolish ways; reclothe us in our rightful mind, in purer lives Thy service find, in deeper reverence, praise.

O Sabbath rest by Galilee, O calm of hills above, where Jesus knelt to share with Thee the silence of eternity, interpreted by love!

Drop Thy still dews of quietness, till all our strivings cease; take from our souls the strain and stress, and let our ordered lives confess the beauty of Thy peace.

Breathe through the heats of our desire Thy coolness and Thy balm; let sense be dumb, let flesh retire; speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire, O still, small voice of calm!

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Great Is the Lord* by Michael W. Smith, 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)
- 9:30 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

6:00 P.M. - Grief Care (Fowler Conference Room)

Wednesday

10:30 A.M. - Adult Bible Study (Zoom)

6:00 P.M. - Ash Wednesday Worship (Sanctuary)

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.

WORSHIP

INTO THE HOUSEHOLD OF FAITH: Gibson Graham Frye, son of Gib and Katie (Mayfield) Frye, will receive the Sacrament of Baptism. Elder Vance Link will represent the Session.

LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR: Today, SHPC joins other neighborhood houses of worship in #LoveYourNeighborKnox, a Sunday dedicated to sharing a message of love for our community. As a church, in the name of Christ, let's love our neighborhood and our city well!

ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP is February 17 at 6:00 P.M. in the Sanctuary and via Livestream. A touch and touchless option for the imposition of ashes will be offered. Registration begins tomorrow on our website and will be included in all weekly emails.

MUSICIAN AND SCHOLARSHIP SINGERS ASSISTING IN WORSHIP: Andrew Skoog, piano/organ; Chloe Freeman, Amara Pappas, and Whitney Rorabaugh, sopranos; Cornelia Lotito, mezzo-soprano; Matthew Tolson, tenor; Joel Brown and Jack Rosamond, baritones.

TODAY'S PRAYER OF CONFESSION was written by Jan Corbitt.

MISSIONS AND OUTREACH

WE WELCOME ANDREW ATTIA, who will give the Moment for Mission at both services today. Andrew began his ministry in Jordan before fulfilling a long-time calling to serve the Lord by ministering and witnessing to Muslims in inner city London.

KNOXVILLE FISH PANTRY is our Local Missions focus for February. SHPC will stock the pantry and pack bags, which are distributed throughout March to those in need. You can help by donating toilet paper and dishwashing liquid (box outside church office). See our website and Weekly E-News for more information.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

PRAYER POSTCARDS: During Lent, we'll be praying for one another as a church family. Each household will receive a postcard with the name of another household for which to pray. Watch your mail for this postcard. Prayer is a way we can "be together" in faith and love!

COVID VACCINES: Our Parish Nurse advises contacting your primary physician or either the following COVID hotlines: Knox County Health Department (215-5555) or Covenant (374-6159) for availability of vaccine appointments, as well as watch local news. Sign-up tips are available on our website and in the weekly E-news.

WOULD YOU LIKE PRAYER FOR A CONCERN, NEED, OR JOY? Each week there are opportunities to receive the fervent prayers of others in our church family. Include your joy, need, or concern (big or small!) on the SHPC Prayer Chain by emailing Pam Fritts at fritts1971@gmail.com.

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

NEW Dates for Our All Church "Stay-Retreat": August 13-15. Our Stay-Retreat, originally scheduled for April 16-17, is being postponed until the fall, as part of our joyful Rally Day weekend here on our church campus. Registration will begin in late June.

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. Groups meet at different times. The fellowship is awesome!

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

THREE NEW SHORT-TERM SMALL GROUPS for fellowship and discipleship include: *Grace and Gratitude* (Wednesdays 8:00 A.M. Fowler Conference Room), *Christ's Temptations* (Wednesdays 6:00 P.M. Zoom), and *The Lord's Prayer* (Thursdays at noon by Zoom). More information and registration available on our website, in weekly E-news, or by emailing 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), 2 Thessalonians (Adult Fellowship), 1 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.

