

We're glad you are here!

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A **call to worship**, typically drawn from sentences of Scripture, expresses God's invitation to gather as Christ's body in this place.

A **call to confession** expresses God's initiative in calling for repentance and promising forgiveness in Christ. As members of Christ's body, we confess the reality of sin, captivity, and brokenness in personal and common life and ask for God's saving grace.

Passing the peace of Christ is a tradition rooted in Scripture that embodies our identity as peacemakers and trains our hearts, hands, and tongues in the ways of peace for the good of neighbor and the glory of God.

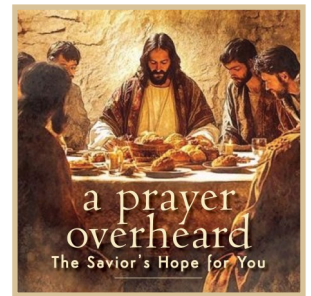
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SEQUOYAH HILLS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
SERVICE OF THE LORD'S DAY

March 1, 2026 | 11:00 A.M.

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GATHER

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

INTROIT

From All That Dwell Below the Skies

by Gordon Young

CALL TO WORSHIP

Dr. Jay Howell

Leader: Come, let us gather at the foot of the cross,

People: and let our hearts be humbled.

All: Let us worship the one who gave all for us.

*HYMN # 264

At the Name of Jesus

GRACE

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

John Luttrell

Gracious God, you give of yourself that we might have life. Yet too often, we respond not with our own grace, but with bitterness or stinginess. We withhold forgiveness, rather than extend it. Forgive us, we pray, and give us hearts to glorify you and to know you by your Son Jesus Christ, in whose name we now silently confess...

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*ACT OF PRAISE

What Wondrous Love Is This

To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing, to God and to the Lamb, I will sing; to God and to the Lamb who is the great I am, while millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing; while millions join the theme, I will sing!

*PASSING THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And, also with you.

OFFERING

WELCOME AND MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

Dr. Howell | Gavin Shepherd,
Extended Communion

The Scriptures bear witness to the Word of God, revealed most fully in Jesus Christ. Our worship centers upon how God is revealed by the Word through teaching, reading, singing, and preaching. Where the Word is read and proclaimed, we believe Jesus Christ, the Living Word, is present by the power of the Holy Spirit.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper offers an abundant feast of theological meaning, including: thanksgiving to God the Father; remembrance of Jesus Christ; invocation of the Holy Spirit; communion in the body of Christ; and a meal of the realm of God. The Reformed tradition understands the Lord's Supper to be a sign of God's covenant.

***DOXOLOGY**

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small; love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

GROW

***PRAYER FOR DEVOTION**

CHILDREN'S TIME

Rev. Mark Lampley

(Children & Worship: Children ages four through first grade will leave for Children & Worship and may be picked up in the lower level of Spitzer building.)

OLD TESTAMENT Isaiah 52:13-15

John Luttrell

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God

by Carl F. Mueller

NEW TESTAMENT John 17:1-5

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

A Prayer Overheard: Ears Burning

Dr. Jay Howell

HYMN (seated)

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear! What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer! O what peace we often forfeit; O what needless pain we bear, all because we do not carry everything to God in prayer!

GO

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Rev. Ben Garris | Rev. Mark Lampley

Invitation and 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.

The Lord's Table

Go: Christian worship and service does not end at the conclusion of the Service for the Lord's Day; we go forth to love and serve the Lord in daily living. In so doing, we seek to fulfill our chief end: to glorify and enjoy God forever.

*We are blessed in order to be a blessing to others. **The charge calls** the church to go forth as agents of God's mission in the world. The Service for the Lord's Day concludes with a blessing in the name of the triune God, such as **the priestly blessing or apostolic benediction.***

*HYMN #735

I Need Thee Every Hour

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Jesus, Lover of My Soul

by Lani Smith

**Please stand as you are able.*

Sunday

- 8:30 A.M. - Nursery for 8:45 Service (Room 204)
- 8:45 A.M. - Worship Service (Barron Hall)
- 9:45 A.M. - Preschool Sunday School (Spitzer Main)
 - Elementary Sunday School (Spitzer Lower)
 - Middle School Sunday School (Loft)
 - High School Sunday School (Room 311)
 - Bible Discovery (Room 318)
 - Faith Gathering (Room 319)
 - Adult Faith Practices (Room 322)
 - Adult Fellowship Class (Room 320)
 - Sojourners (Tree Top Coffee)
- 10:30 A.M. - Nursery for 11:00 Service (Room 204)
- 11:00 A.M. - Worship Service (Sanctuary / Livestream)
- 5:00 P.M. - Stephen Ministry Supervision (Room 322)

Monday

- 12:00 P.M. - LIFE Group- Blackwell (Room 319)
- 6:00 P.M. - Grief Care (Room 320)

CALENDAR

Tuesday

- 7:15 A.M. - Youth Small Groups (off-site)
- 5:30 P.M. - Lenten LIFE Group (Room 320)

Wednesday

- 9:20 A.M. - LIFE Group-Howell (Room 320)
- 9:30 A.M. - LIFE Group-Zeanah (off-site)
- 10:30 A.M. - Dotterweich Bible Study (Room 302)
- 4:30 P.M. - KidsPraise Rehearsal (playground)
- 5:00 P.M. - LIFE Group-Gale/Kimmey (Room 319)
- 6:30 P.M. - Youth Small Groups (Loft and Barron Hall)
- 7:00 P.M. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

Thursday

- 8:00 A.M. - Men's LIFE Group (off-site)
- 10:30 A.M. - Knitters & Stitchers (Room 320)
- 6:00 P.M. - Confirmation Exam (Barron Hall)

Friday-

- 7:00 A.M. - Men's LIFE Group (off-site)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP SERVICES next Sunday morning are at 8:45 A.M. (Acoustic) in Barron Hall and 11:00 A.M. (Traditional) in the Sanctuary and by Livestream at sequoyahchurch.org.

WELCOME to our guests today! Please use the QR code to learn more about our church. Contact Stephanie Daniel, tefdaniel@gmail.com, with questions.



CONSTRUCTION UPDATE: Thank you for your patience as work continues to improve accessibility throughout our building. For regular updates check your Tuesday email "From Pastor Jay's Desk."

WORSHIP

TODAY'S SANCTUARY FLOWERS are given to the glory of God in loving memory of John Wesley Carpenter from his family; and in honor of Caroline Morris and Campbell Dowling, who were married yesterday in the Sanctuary.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

GRIEF CARE meets Mondays at 6:00 p.m. in Room 320 thru March 23. If you are grieving the death of someone close to you, join us for this Christ-centered, grief support ministry. Contact Janna, jpreston@sequoyahchurch.org for details.

HEALTH AND WHOLENESS COMMITTEE reminds you that if you need medical equipment we have numerous items available. Also, if you have borrowed some of our items and are finished with them and would like to donate back to the church, we can use them to help others. Please contact Janna, jpreston@sequoyahchurch.org.


CONGREGATIONAL CARE CALLS: Deacons are making calls until the end of March to offer support. Please welcome their outreach and share any pertinent feedback or pastoral care matters so we can better serve our beloved congregation.

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

JOY FELLOWSHIP COMMUNITY LUNCHEON IS MARCH 19 at noon in Barron Hall. Shelly Bright will share about her experience escaping from Cuba. Lunch menu to be determined. Please RSVP via your Church Center app or contact Janna, jpreston@sequoyahchurch.org.

MEN'S GOLF TOURNAMENT: Mark your calendars for April 20th. The event will be round robin and shotgun start at Willow Creek Golf Club in Farragut. Registration coming soon!

OUTREACH and MISSIONS


CONSTRUCTION MISSION TRIP JUNE 20-27 on beautiful Lake Atitlán has openings—no special skills required, just a willing heart to be part of what God is doing. We need three more people to get group airfare rate. This trip is meaningful work and rich in fellowship. If you've wondered, "Could I really do this?" the answer is yes, and we would be honored to go with you. Use the QR code to register. 

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

ON-SITE SUNDAY CHILDCARE: 8:30 and 10:30 A.M. Nursery/Childcare (Room 204); Extended Session (Room 220).

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES: 9:45-10:45 **Bible Discovery** (*Names of God*), **Faith Gathering** (*Ephesians*), **Faith Practices** (guest speakers), **Adult Fellowship** (*Celebration of Discipline*), or **Sojourners** (Sunday Scripture).

YOUTH SMALL GROUPS MEET THROUGHOUT THE WEEK: Tuesdays 7:15am **Girls of Faith** (Chick-fil-A-West Hills); **Bros & Breakfast** (K Brew-Kingston Pk); Wednesdays 6:30pm, **Girls Gathered in Grace** (Room 311), **Bible Besties** (Room 320), **Middle School Men** (Barron Hall); Sundays 5:00pm **Living Letters** (Loft). Contact Madi, mhowell@sequoyahchurch.org, for more information.

FAITH ON THE MOVE (YOUTH): Join us on March 4, 6:30-7:30pm, dinner provided, for an experience designed to help families grow faith in everyday moments. Register on Church Center app or QR code and come ready to be encouraged, connect, and discover simple ways to keep faith active wherever life takes you. 

RECORDINGS FROM OUR RECENT WINTER SPEAKER SERIES are posted on our website, sequoyahchurch.org, under LiveStream, and on our Church Center app under LiveStream. Steve and Catherine Eason appreciate the warm welcome.

MEETING JESUS ON THE ROAD, a Lenten book discussion, meets Tuesdays at 5:30pm in Spitzer room 320, and there's still time to participate. Join us as we journey in our faith and share joys of hiking and walking as a spiritual practice leading up to Easter. Contact Mark, mlampley@sequoyahchurch.org, for information.

