



SEQUOYAH HILLS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
SERVICE OF THE LORD'S DAY

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

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INTROIT *O God, Beyond All Praising* by Gustav Holst

WELCOME Dr. Jay Howell

MOMENT FOR MISSION: Habitat for Humanity Mike Ewell

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made.

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

*HYMN *Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun* DUKE STREET

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

**Jesus shall reign where'er the sun does its successive journeys run.
His kingdom stretches from shore to shore till moons shall wax and
wane no more.**

**People and realms of every tongue dwell on His love with sweetest
song. And infant voices shall proclaim their early blessings on His
name.**

**Blessings abound where'er He reigns: the prisoners leap to lose
their chains, the weary find eternal rest, and all who suffer want are
blest.**

**Let every creature rise and bring the highest honors to our King.
Angels descend with songs again and earth repeat the loud amen.**

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

**Gracious Lord, we come to You with all of our needs and all of our
unworthy thoughts and actions—all of those things in us that need
Your mighty cleansing and healing power. Forgive us, Lord. Heal
our hearts and our thoughts in our life's journey. Help us to know
the mighty hope that You bring into this world and the offer of Your
divine mercy, through Jesus Christ our Redeemer.**

*SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*ACT OF PRAISE (Congregation sings.) HAMBURG

**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.**

*PASSING THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT Isaiah 61:1-3

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SOLO

My Savior's Love
Matthew Tolson, tenor

by Lloyd Larson

NEW TESTAMENT Luke 4:14-22

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Into the Fire: To Universal Acclaim

Dr. Jay Howell

HYMN (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

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

Live Into Hope

ROCKINGHAM

**Live into hope of captives freed, of sight regained, the end of greed.
The oppressed shall be the first to see the year of God's own jubilee!**

**Live into hope the blind shall see with insight and with clarity,
removing shades of pride and fear — a vision of our God brought near.**

**Live into hope of liberty, the right to speak, the right to be, the right
to have one's daily bread, to hear God's word and thus be fed.**

**Live into hope of captives freed from chains of fear or want or greed.
God now proclaims our full release to faith and hope and joy and peace.**

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Divertissement

by Gordon Young

**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: 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
- 5:00 P.M. - Stephen Ministry Supervision (Zoom)

Monday

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

Wednesday

- 10:30 A.M. - Adult Bible Study (Zoom)
- 5:30 P.M. - Women's 45+ Bible Study (Zoom)
- 6:00 P.M. - *Christ's Temptations* Study (Zoom)
- 6:30 P.M. - Women's Casual Bible Study (off site)

Thursday

- 8:00 A.M. - Men's Bible Study (off-site)
- 12:00 P.M. - *The Lord's Prayer* Study (Zoom)

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 WORSHIPPING with us as a visitor, welcome! For more information about any of our ministries, contact Pastor Mark Lampley.

WORSHIP

8:30 WORSHIP will be on the front lawn beginning next Sunday, March 21. The contingency plan for inclement weather is to move into Barron Hall. Bring your lawn chairs!

HOLY WEEK WORSHIP: Registration for our Holy Week worship services will open on Tuesday, March 23 for Palm Sunday (Mar 28; 8:30 A.M. outdoors, 11:00 sanctuary), Maundy Thursday (Apr 1; 6:00 P.M.), Good Friday (Apr 2; 12 P.M.), and Easter Sunday (Apr 4; 6:45 A.M. outdoors, 8:30 outdoors, 11:00 sanctuary).

DEVOTIONAL BOOKS for months of March, April, and May are available in the church office, Monday through Friday from 9:00 A.M. until 12:00 P.M.

MUSICIAN AND SCHOLARSHIP SINGERS ASSISTING IN WORSHIP: Andrew Skoog, piano/organ; Sabreena Cherrington and Chloe Freeman, sopranos; Gianna Grigalonis and Cornelia Lotito, mezzo-sopranos; Matthew Tolson, tenor; Joel Brown and Jack Rosamond, basses .

TODAY'S PRAYER OF CONFESSION was written by Sis Mitchell.

MISSIONS AND OUTREACH

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY is our Local Missions focus for March. Due to unforeseen delays, the Habitat group build has been postponed until mid-April. We will update this information ASAP. Remember to support this ministry throughout the year by donating, shopping, and/or volunteering at their Restore.

THANKS TO YOUR GENEROUS DONATIONS of gently used items to KARM, in February the Local Missions Committee donated \$400 in KARM gift cards to the women and their families at Serenity Shelter.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

PRAYER POSTCARDS: Each household should have received a postcard with the name of another household to pray for during Lent. Let the Spirit direct your prayers. If you'd like to be in email contact with the person/family for whom you are praying, contact Becky Guyton at rguyton@sequoyahchurch.org

COVID VACCINES: With vaccines now offered at Kroger, Sam's, and other local pharmacies in Knoxville, vaccinefinder.org will locate available vaccines in different locations. Just enter your zip code to find an available vaccine near you and how to sign up to receive it.

Sign-up tips are available on our website and in the weekly E-news.

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.

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES surround Tee and Victoria Cleveland on the birth of their daughter, Millie Barron Linley Cleveland, on March 1; and Bill and Abby (Corbitt) Roach on the birth of their daughter, Blair Emeline Roach, on March 6.

PRAYER AND CARE UPDATES: SHPC has a church-wide email ministry for prayer needs, praises, birth announcements, sharing of deaths, and information about upcoming memorial services. If you would like to be added to the list of those who receive these prayer updates, please email Pam Fritts at fritts1971@gmail.com.

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

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.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND ADULT IN-PERSON SUNDAY SCHOOL resumes on Easter Sunday, April 4, for anyone who wants to meet onsite. Sunday classes for children and adults by Zoom offer fellowship, prayer, and Scripture studies. More information is available on our calendar and sequoyahchurch.org.

CURRENT ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL TOPICS INCLUDE Luke's Gospel (Bible Discovery), Esther (Adult Fellowship), 2 Peter (Christian Growth), and *Words of Life* by Adam Hamilton (Foundations). Use the link in the Sunday morning email to join a Sunday morning Zoom class to learn more about the Bible, spiritual disciples, and faith.

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.

