



SEQUOYAH HILLS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
SERVICE OF THE LORD'S DAY

April 25, 2021 | 11:00 A.M.

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PRELUDE

WELCOME

Rev. Rachel Hamburger

SCRIPTURE READING John 7:37-39

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made

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

\*HYMN

*Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!*

NICEA

**Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee; Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!**

**Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore Thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee, Who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.**

**Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide Thee, though the eye of sinfulness Thy glory may not see, only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee, perfect in power, in love and purity.**

**Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All Thy works shall praise Thy name, in earth and sky and sea; Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!**

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Rev. Mark Lampley

**Gracious God, who pours out freely the gift of your Holy Spirit: we confess before you and to each other that we have failed to acknowledge this most precious gift. We have been satisfied with ordinary things, suspicious of unfamiliar things, and blind to spiritual things. Cleanse us, God, with your celestial fire. Burn away our presumptuous self-sufficiency, and open us in faith to receive the renewing touch of your mighty hand, through Jesus 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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT Joel 2:26-29

Murphy Diddle

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SOLO

*Give Me Jesus*

arr. Moses Hogan

Sarah-Clementine Mire, soprano

NEW TESTAMENT Acts 2:37-42

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

*The Spirit in You: Promised Gift*

Rev. Rachel Hamburger

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

CALL TO PRAYER (Romans 8:26-27)

We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groans that words cannot express. And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints in accordance with God's will.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE /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.**

\*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 *amended from the Brief Statement of Faith*

**We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life.**

**The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church.**

**In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, and to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior.**

**In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"**

#### SENDING

\*HYMN

*There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit*

SWEET, SWEET SPIRIT

**There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place, and I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord; there are sweet expressions on each face, and I know they feel the presence of the Lord. Sweet Holy Spirit, Sweet heavenly Dove, stay right here with us, filling us with Your love; and for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise. Without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived when we shall leave this place.**

**There are blessings you cannot receive till you know Him in His fullness and believe; you're the one to profit when you say, "I am going to walk with Jesus all the way." Sweet Holy Spirit, Sweet heavenly Dove, stay right here with us, filling us with Your love; and for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise. Without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived when we shall leave this place.**

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*\*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 (Front Lawn)
- 9:30 A.M. - Preschool Sunday School (Spitzer Main Level)

- Kingdom Sunday School (Gathering Area)
- Youth Sunday School (The Loft)
- YAGOs Class (Room 322)
- Adult Fellowship Class (Room 320)
- Foundations Class (Room 317)
- Bible Explorers (Chapel/Zoom)
- Christian Growth (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
- 3:45 P.M. - SHPC Serves at KARM (off site)
- 4:30 P.M. - Stephen Ministry Training (Zoom)

### **Monday**

- 10:00 A.M. - Yoga (Front Patio)

### **Wednesday**

- 10:30 A.M. - Adult Bible Study (Fowler Conference Room/Zoom)
- 5:30 P.M. - Women's 45+ Bible Study (Zoom)
- 6:30 P.M. - Women's Casual Bible Study (off site)

### **Thursday**

- 8:00 A.M. - Men's Bible Study (off-site)
- 10:00 A.M. - Yoga (Front Patio)

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

**IF YOU ARE WORSHIPPING** with us as a visitor, welcome! Please sign the sheet on the podium in the back of the room. For more information about any of our ministries, email Pastor Mark Lampley at [mlampley@sequoyahchurch.org](mailto:mlampley@sequoyahchurch.org). The next Newcomers Class is Sunday, May 23 at 9:30 A.M.

**THE SEQUOYAH HILLS EARLY ENRICHMENT PROGRAM BOARD** and SHPC Session are delighted to announce Dottie Arnett as the next SHEEP Director. Amy Kerlin retires on June 30 after serving 17 years. Dottie has served as a teacher and, most recently, as the Director's Assistant. Welcome to a new role, Dottie.

### **WORSHIP**

**THE FLOWERS TODAY** are given to the glory of God from Hugh and Shelly Bright in memory of his mother, Ann Rees Bright, and in loving memory of Irma Harmon from her family.

**MUSICIAN AND SCHOLARSHIP SINGERS ASSISTING IN WORSHIP:** Eunsuk Jung, organ/piano; Adia Evans-Ledon, Chloe Freeman, Sarah -Clementine Mire, and Whitney Rorabaugh, sopranos; Gianna Grigalonis, mezzo-soprano; Breyon Ewing, Jack Francis, Timothy Pope, and Matthew Tolson, tenors; Joel Brown and Jack Rosamond, baritones.

**TODAY'S PRAYER OF CONFESSION** is from *The Worship Sourcebook: Faith Alive Christian Resources*.

## **MISSIONS AND OUTREACH**

**SERENITY**, a ministry of Knox Area Rescue Ministries, is our Local Missions Focus for April. It is a residential recovery program for women seeking restoration from the effects of addiction, domestic violence, and/or homelessness. The Weekly E-News and our web site have details on specific ways to help.

**HABITAT BLITZ DAY** for the group build for Norma Catota and her family is scheduled for Saturday, May 1. The weekly E-News has the link for the specific dates that SHPC has been asked to provide volunteers.

## **CONGREGATIONAL CARE**

**PETS BRING YOUR PEOPLE!** The Health and Wholeness team is hosting a walk around Sequoyah Hills on Saturday, May 1. Meet in the front church parking lot at 10:00 A.M. Coffee, friendly dogs, and all ages welcome. Email Tom Gaines at [tgaines@utmck.edu](mailto:tgaines@utmck.edu) with any questions.

**COMMUNITY LUNCHEONS** resume on Thursday, May 13, at noon on the front patio! Be entertained by SHEEP students, Andrew Skoog, and a scholarship singer, as well as learn more about our new organ! Bring a mask, chair, and \$5.00 for your boxed lunch. RSVP to 522-9804 by May 11.

**COVID VACCINES:** With vaccines now offered at Kroger, Sam's, and other local pharmacies in Knoxville, [vaccinefinder.org](http://vaccinefinder.org) will locate available vaccines in different locations. Walmart and Sam's Club have a "no waste wait list" so no vaccines are thrown out. Call the pharmacy to add your name to the list.

## **CONGREGATIONAL LIFE**

**CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES** surround Jordan and Laura (Stair) Simmons on the birth of their son, Jake Connor Simmons, on April 19.

**HAPPY SPRING!** Join us on Sunday, May 16, for an All-Church Boxed Lunch Gathering on the Front Lawn from noon until 2:00 P.M. There is no cost for lunch. RSVP on the church website, using the link in this morning's email, or using the link in Tuesday's weekly E-news. Bring your own chair!

**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**

**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).

**CURRENT ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL TOPICS INCLUDE** Luke's Gospel (Bible Discovery), *Words of Life* by Adam Hamilton (Adult Fellowship), Psalms (Christian Growth), Prayer (Foundations), and *The Spirit of Disciplines* by Dallas Willard (YAGOs). 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.

