

Welcome to  
*First Presbyterian Church*  
*Virtual Sunday Service*



*March 5, 2023*

*Sunday Worship Service 9:30 A.M.*

*Children and Adult Sunday School 10:30 A.M.*

*Youth Choir 6:00 P.M. Wednesday*

*Adult Choir 7:00 P.M. Wednesday*

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**We Gather in God's Name**

**THE CHIMING OF THE HOUR**

**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME**

**INTROIT**

"How Firm a Foundation"

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

**PASTOR:** Come, all who need help!

**PEOPLE:** **Our help comes from God.**

**PASTOR:** Come, all who desire blessing!

**PEOPLE:** **Our blessing comes from God.**

**PASTOR:** Come, all who long for salvation!

**PEOPLE:** **Our salvation comes from Jesus Christ.**

**PASTOR:** **Let us celebrate these gifts with faith!**

**PEOPLE:** **Let us worship our God today!**

**\*HYMN**

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

No. 12

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,  
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,  
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,  
almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,  
nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might:  
thy justice, like mountains high soaring above;  
thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all, life thou givest, to both great and small.  
In all life thou livest, the true life of all.  
We blossom and flourish like leaves on the tree,  
then wither and perish; but naught changeth thee.

Thou reignest in glory; thou dwellest in light.  
Thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight.  
All praise we would render; O help us to see  
'tis only the splendor of light hideth thee!

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**\*CALL TO CONFESSION**

**\*UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**(adapted from the World Day of Prayer of Taiwan)

**Gracious God, we are selfish and arrogant. We have overlooked human dignity; we ignore the needs of minorities, migrants and immigrants. We hear the cries of the land, women, children, and young people, but we have not done enough to respond to the grace that we have received. These actions have caused some people to suffer and experience oppression. Have mercy on us. New life is possible. We can place our trust in God's healing care. Forgive us, and help us, gracious Lord. Amen.**

**\*SILENT CONFESSION**

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

...In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

**Thanks be to God!**

**\*GLORIA**

"Glory Be to the Father"

No. 581

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.

**CHILDREN'S SERMON**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

"Feed Us, Lord"

**FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 121(NRSV)**

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**ANTHEM**

"Speak, O Lord"

**SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: Romans 4:1-5, 13-17(NRSV)**

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON: "It Depends on Faith"**

**SERMON SERIES: Faith Through Waiting**

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**\*HYMN**

**"We Walk By Faith and Not By Sight"**

**No. 817**

We walk by faith and not by sight;  
with gracious words draw near,  
O Christ, who spoke as none e'er spoke:  
"My peace be with you here."

We may not touch your hands and side,  
nor follow where you trod;  
but in your promise we rejoice,  
and cry, "My Lord and God!"

Help then, O Lord, our unbelief;  
and may our faith abound  
to call on you when you are near  
and seek where you are found.

And when our life of faith is done,  
in realms of clearer light  
may we behold you as you are,  
with full and endless sight.

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: 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.**

**OFFERING**

**\*DOXOLOGY**

**"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"**

**No. 606**

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.

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

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**SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION**

**Invitation to the Table**

**Prayers of the People, Prayers of Thanksgiving & Lord's Prayer**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is truly right to give our thanks and praise...

**Breaking of the Bread & Pouring of the Cup**

**Communion of the People**

**Prayer after Communion**

**\*HYMN**

**"My Faith Looks Up to Thee" st. 1,2**

**No. 829**

My faith looks up to thee,  
thou Lamb of Calvary,  
Savior divine!

Now hear me while I pray;  
take all my guilt away;  
O let me from this day  
be wholly thine!

May thy rich grace impart  
strength to my fainting heart,  
my zeal inspire;  
as thou hast died for me,  
O may my love to thee  
pure, warm, and changeless be,  
a living fire!

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*RESPONSE**

**"Now Unto the King Eternal"**

Now unto the King Eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, be honor and glory forever and ever, amen, amen; be honor and glory forever and ever amen.

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**Welcome!**

**We look forward to meeting you and hearing from you. Here is contact information for our Church Staff as well as members of our Session. Please feel free to contact any one for questions or concerns. If you would like to be more involved with the day-to-day activities of the church please let us know.**

**Please feel free to contact Griffin with any prayer requests or other concerns – or even if you just want to talk! She would love to hear from everyone.**

**Your Church Staff**

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**Prayer Requests**

Please keep these on your prayer list. Hold them in your heart and pray for God's healing power and comfort in the days ahead. Give thanks for God's healing.

- **Wynona Brown:** She is doing better. Prayers of thanks.
- **Caroline Robinson:** Pray for and healing. She fell last week and broke her elbow. She is currently in St. Joe here in London but will be transferring to Laurel Heights at some point She is very thankful for the love of her church and the love of God.
- **Joan Grant:** Pray for her happiness and care. Joan would love visits or calls from her church family.
- **Ronnie Vance:** Please pray for him. He is the brother of Joan Grant and has gone through heart surgery.
- **Ruth Cornelius:** Pray for her peace and that she may feel love from her family, friends and church.
- **Joe Southard:** Please pray for peace. His cancer has spread to his breastbone.
- **Eugene & Marsha Mayes-Burton:** Friends of the church. He had a tumor removed.
- **Jackie Walsh:** Daughter-in-law of Emma Earl Smith-Brewer. Please pray for her as she has recently been diagnosed with cancer.
- **Tammy Lynch:** Diagnosed with Stage 4 bladder cancer. Personal family prayers.
- **Tom Hagedorn:** Please pray for Tom and his family. May they find peace and comfort as Tom undergoes cancer treatments.
- **Judy Sturgeon:** Please pray for her and Wayne that her surgery continues to have good results and healing, and pray for upcoming chemotherapy with good results. Pray for continued recovery and healing.
- **Rob Stansbury:** please pray for Rob and his family. He has recently been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer.
- **Ellen Hickey:** Sister of Karen Webb. Please keep her in your prayers as she has recently undergone brain surgery. She is having daily radiation treatments. Please pray for peace, healing, and comfort as she is very active, making this more difficult.
- **The Crawford Family:** Please keep the Crawford family in your prayers. Jacky's mother recently underwent cancer surgery. She is looking at the next steps of treatment.
- **Lauren Stewart Wright and child:** Please pray for the health of Andie and for it to strengthen without a feeding tube and with the love of her mother. She has been in NICU for a long time.
- **John Brewer** (brother-in-law of Wynona Brown) who lives in a nursing home. He has had another light stroke. Prayer for both his recovery and care, and for his family at this time.
- **Lea Green:** Praying for her healing and discernment as she hears from doctors and decides the next steps she takes to handle her health.

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The Presbyterian Disaster Assistance team is in the process of setting up work sites in Eastern Kentucky to help those still in need of rebuilding. This will be taking place over the coming months. We are putting together a list of people that are willing to help. Right now, there is not a definite time line. If you might be able to help, please pass your name along to Larry Gray.

### **Save the Date!!**

We are having a work day at the church **Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup>** starting at 9:00. There'll be plenty of work for everyone cleaning the inside and the outside. Coffee and snacks will be available. The rain date is April 1<sup>st</sup>.



### **Let the Shenanigans Begin**

Hosted by Women's Fellowship Group

Tuesday, March 7

6:00 PM

FPC Fellowship Hall

#### **Message from the Host**

"May the dreams you hold dearest, be those which come true. The kindness you spread keep returning to you." Join us for a "wee bit o' fun" as we gather together for an evening of games, food and laughter! Be sure to wear your green, bring a snack to share, and if you so desire - a green item for our "Blessing Basket".

If you have old prescription glasses that you no longer need, we are collecting them for the **Lions Club International**. They will have them examined and then will send them to many undeveloped countries around the world to help those that cannot afford them. We have placed a small collection box in the Narthex. If you have any questions, please contact

either: Doris Callebs – (606) 312-8844,  
or Susan Phelps – (606) 224-4302.



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**Sunday school!**

6 and under- "Miss Karen" Jewell  
7-12 - "Miss Betsy" York  
Adult Bible Art- "Miss Mel" Callahan  
Adult Bible Study- John Kelley,  
Richard Webb, Al Plymire and Randy  
Creech  
(The Adult class will be studying the  
Book of John in the library.  
Bible Art is back in the Gym!)

Wednesday's **Bible Study** will meet  
this Wednesday at 6:00 . It will be  
looking at "**Emotions and Faith**".

**March Birthdays**

2nd Theresa Kibby  
4th Debbie  
Crawford  
16<sup>th</sup> Noah Collins  
17th Sally Jackson  
22nd Marian  
Davis  
24th Wynonna  
Brown  
25<sup>th</sup> Mackey  
Williams  
27th Shirley Trooper  
**Anniversaries**  
6<sup>th</sup> Jacque & Vickie  
Phelps

**Personnel &**

**Finance** will meet  
Tuesday, March 14,  
2023, at noon.

**The Youth**

**Choir** will be meeting  
Wednesday's starting  
February 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:00  
PM in the Youth Choir  
Room for practice. We  
look forward to having  
our youth join us!

**Hazard First Presbyterian Church** has received donations of clothing to the point that they will need help to sort the items and get them ready for distribution to flood victims. They have set aside Saturday, **March 11<sup>th</sup> at 11:00** for volunteers to gather at the church. Lunch will be served. If you are willing to help, please let Larry Gray know and he will contact you when a date has been set.

Introduction to Pickleball...Tuesday, March 14,  
2023 @ 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall for  
interested church family! We will go over the  
basics to get you ready to play this fun, social  
and friendly game/sport. Please wear athletic  
shoes suitable for a court activity. Also, you will  
need a pickleball paddle. If you have questions  
or need additional information, please contact  
Diane Bowling or Katie Bowling. Space is limited.  
We anticipate the class lasting through March.  
Let's have fun!!

