

Morning Worship—July 2, 2017
Celebrating our Nation's Christian Heritage

*Please sign the Fellowship Pad and pass it to your neighbor. *Please stand if able. It is our custom to sing, "Amen," after hymns.*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE "Prelude in G Major" J. S. Bach

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Praise be to God who has freed us from oppression!

People: Praise be to God who has healed our wounded souls!

Leader: Let our hearts rejoice at God's redeeming love.

People: Let our voices raise in songs of thanksgiving for all that God is doing for us.

Leader: Come, let us worship the Lord with our whole hearts!

People: May our praise and voices resound with joy! AMEN.

***HYMN OF WORSHIP 564** "O Beautiful for Spacious Skies"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, before you nations rise and fall. Help us to repent our country's wrong, and to choose your way of reunion and renewal. Great God, renew this nation.

Give us a glimpse of the Kingdom you are bringing to earth, where death and violence and hunger will be no more, and where all nations gather in the light of your presence.

Great God, renew this nation. Teach us peace, that we may plow up battlefields and pound weapons into building tools, and learn to talk across old boundaries as brothers and sisters in your love. Great God, renew this nation. Talk sense to us, so that we may wisely end all prejudices, and may put a stop to injustice and cruelty, which divides or wounds the human family. Great God, renew this nation. Draw us together as one people who do your will, so that we may be a light to our nation, leading the way to your promised kingdom, which is even now coming among us. Great God, renew this nation. Great God, eternal Lord, show us there is no law or liberty apart from you; and let us serve you whole-heartedly, as your devoted followers, through Christ our Lord. Hear our prayers as we continue our confession in silence.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, God promises to forgive us, to put our sins out of God's own mind and heart.

People: In this way, God gives us not just a second chance but a new beginning.

Leader: Believe the good news of the gospel.

People: Our salvation is through faith in Christ Jesus. Thanks be to God! Amen.

Gloria Patri (579) GREATOREX, 1851

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.

DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS

Offering in Music "Battle Hymn of the Republic" arr. Michele Murray
Doxology 591 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*

Prayer of Dedication

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES Tom Gillespie

PASTORAL PRAYER & 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.

***HYMN OF WORSHIP (INSERT)** "Faith of Our Fathers"

UNISON PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Speak to us, Lord, by the power of your Holy Spirit, and equip us to be messengers of your life-altering, world-changing, blessing-filled Word. Through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

ANTHEM "A Prayer for America" D. Johnson

LESSONS (page 312/325) 2 Chronicles 7:14

SERMON "If My People" Dr. Jarrod Brown

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (Hymnal Pg. 14) 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.

***HYMN OF WORSHIP 561** "My Country, 'Tis of Thee"

BENEDICTION 604 "Song of Simeon"

POSTLUDE "Pastorale on 'He Leadeth Me'" Gordon Young

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We provide **nursery care** from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM and **Sunday School** for grades K-5 after Time for Young Disciples.

PASTORAL CONCERNS— Martha Bell, Chuck Bolt, Lisa Bolt, Alice & Randy Bradshaw, Beth Brown, Bill Brown, Claire Campbell, John Cao, Nelson R. Clark, Judy Cox (Kristen Cox’s sister-in-law), Maude Dalton, Rev. Cecil Eanes, Bill Erwin, Pauline Fitts, Betty Fitzgerald, Fred Gunn, Lois Hayes, Christina Hermetz (Kelsey Thompson’s sister), Tim Hooker, Kathy Huggins, Kay Huggins (son-in-law of Thomas and Alice Saunders), Conner Jones, Doug Jones, Jana Keen and family, Angela Langford, Ruth Lawton, Mike Lewis (Tom and Ava Barrett’s son-in-law), Larry Mann, Ruth Meadors, Thelma Meadors, Carolyn Miles, Larry Miller, A. B. Motley, Debbie Perrin Neal, Rhoda Neal, Paul Patrick (Charlotte Lowther’s son-in-law), Nancy Poindexter (Jarrod Brown’s aunt), Judy Poythress (Mike Reynolds’ sister), Ella Ryan, Alice Saunders, Lynn Saunders, Alan Sweeney, Linda Terriberly, Tom West

ON THE MEND--(Praise & Gratitude for improved condition) Kevin Bailey, Gwen Baucom, Martha Bell, Chlodine Bittner (Jackson Weller’s grandmother), Kelvin Gunn, Grace Litzenberg, Erica Mann, Lee Norman, Russell Vandiver

Our sincere condolences to the family of Clarence Edmonds, who passed away on June 23.

Come together in
PRAYER

Community Prayer Service
July 17 at 7 p.m.
In the Sanctuary

Choir Robe Donations

We are trying to raise enough money to buy **20 choir robes and stoles**. Our current robes are more than 40 years old, so they are in desperate need of replacing. We are hoping to raise between \$2000-3000. If you would like to contribute, you can make a donation of any amount and write choir robes in the memo line of your check.

We would like most of the money to come in by July 9 so that robes can be ordered and arrive in time for Advent season. Please contribute as you are led to this project.

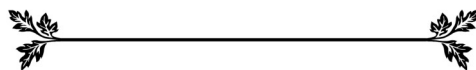
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TO KNOW CHRIST AND MAKE HIM KNOWN

SERVING TODAY

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| Nursery/Sunday School | Leigh Blount & Marissa Meadors |
| Children’s Sunday School | Whitney & Catie Clarke |
| | Lisa & Lia Argyrakis |
| Elders at Front Door | Joyce Perez |
| Friendship Period | C. B. Strange, David Swann |
| Deacon to Receive Offering | Harriet Beale |
| Officers to Count Offering | Kile/Barrett |
| Church School Superintendent | Gail Davis |
| Liturgist | Bunny Hayes |
| Time for Young Disciples | Tom Gillespie |
| Sound System | Sam Meadema |
| Ushers | Team 1 |
| Flower Ministry | Outlook Class |
| Weekend Custodian | Ron Tanner |
| Childcare Specialists | Lea Smith, Kelley Fochler |
| Saturday Lunch Ministry July 8 | Ray Beale |



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**THIS WEEK AT
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN**

MONDAY, July 3

9 a.m. Day School

TUESDAY, July 4, Independence Day

All Day Office Closed

WEDNESDAY, July 5

9 a.m. Day School
6 p.m. Youth
7 p.m. Property Committee

THURSDAY, July 6

5:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

FRIDAY, July 7

All Day Church Office Closed

SATURDAY, July 8

10:45 a.m. Lunch Min. Bible Study
11:15 a.m. Lunch Ministry

SUNDAY, July 9

9:45 a.m. Sunday School:
Mid & High School, Rm 112
Outlook Class, Rm 322
Bible Fellowship, Library
Seekers, Rm 109
11 a.m. Worship, Sanctuary
Mid-worship K-2/3-5 SS