



## First Presbyterian Church

KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE

- Founded 1792 -

*“For Christ in the Heart of Knoxville,”  
the First Presbyterian Church seeks*

- *to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ*
- *to nurture those within its influence*
- *to serve spiritual and human needs*

*Church School at 9:45 a.m.*

*Sunday Worship Service 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.*

*Coffee Fellowship 9:30 a.m. & 10:40 a.m.*

*Worshipful Wednesday Evening Meal and Programs begin at 5:30 p.m.*

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## A Word of Welcome

To all who are weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are idle and look for service; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to whosoever will come; this church opens wide her doors and offers her welcome in the name of Jesus Christ her Lord.

# ORDER OF WORSHIP FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

11:00 a.m.

January 29, 2012

## ✠THE PREPARATION OF GOD'S PEOPLE✠

PRELUDE

Prelude on *A New Commonwealth*

Ralph Vaughan Williams

*...the Lord is in his holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before him!*

Habakkuk 2:20

Worship begins with the Prelude. As we reverently enter the pews, please use this time for quiet reflection and prayer, so that we, individually and as a great crowd of witnesses, may prepare ourselves to reaffirm our devotion to Him who is the author and finisher of our faith.

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We gather for worship as those who echo the faithful expression of the Psalms.  
In the words of Psalms 23, 27, and 121:

People: **We remember the Lord is our shepherd, the Lord is our light and salvation, and the Lord is our keeper in our going out and coming in.**

Leader: In the words of Psalms 42 and 103:

People: **Our souls long for God much like the way our bodies both need and crave water.  
Indeed, all that is within us is called to bless the Lord**

Leader: In the words Psalms 90 and 46

People: **We know that God has been our dwelling place in all generations,  
our refuge and strength in times of turmoil and storm,**

Leader: In the words of Psalms 100 and 150,

People: **We will make a joyful noise to the Lord, giving praise with our voices and instruments.**

Leader: Praise the Lord!

People: **The Lord's name be praised!**

†PROCESSIONAL HYMN 482

*Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty*

Lobe Den Herren

†PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(All)*

**Holy God, you see us as we are, and know our inmost thoughts. We confess that we forget that all life comes from you and that to you all life returns. We live for "our will to be done" rather than for "your will to be done." Instead of our trials and difficulties making us stronger and more open to you, we have fixated on our complaining; we have resorted to anger as our outlet; and we have withdrawn from you and from the faithful company of disciples. Only your grace can sustain us. Lord, in your mercy, forgive us, heal us and make us whole. Set us free from our sin, and restore to us the joy of your salvation now and forever. *(Silent personal confession)***

MUSICAL RESPONSE *(All)* 573

*Kyrie* (sung responsorially)

Richard Proulx

**Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

†ASSURANCE OF PARDON

◆†CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *(All)* 579

*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.**



## NOTES ABOUT TODAY'S SERVICES

*The Friendship Book* is passed each Sunday for guests and members to sign. Guests' names and addresses are used to acknowledge your presence and welcome you to worship. In expressing what it means to be a *family of faith*, the church appreciates your willingness to share this information with us!

### THOSE WHO SERVE TODAY

**Officer in Charge:** Anne Hart

**Deacon of the Week:** Joanna Pennoyer

**Phone Monitor:** J. D. Lee

**Library Worker:** Barbara Villadsen

**Baker and Taker:** Joan Regester and Ely and Phyllis Driver

**Nursery Workers:** Carolyn Noey, Linda Rader and Kate Shadwell

**Children's Church:** Brianna Cook, Susan Fox, Amy Gilbert and Kallee Pittenger

### LEADERS IN WORSHIP

Dr. William C. Pender ..... Senior Pastor

Dr. Paul Rader ..... Associate Pastor

Mr. J. Ashley Burell ..... Organist/Choirmaster

### Jehovah-jireh (The Lord will provide)

*The Hebrew words written across the chancel* are taken from the twenty-second chapter of Genesis which tells the story of Abraham's willingness to sacrifice his son. The words were first handwritten on the chancel wall in 1866 by one of the church members working to restore the war-ravaged and much-abused buildings after they were returned to the congregation by the government.



The Chi-Rho is a Christian symbol associated with the liturgical season of Ordinary Time. It consists of the first two letters of the Greek word for Christ or Christos (anointed one) The letters that make up the Chi-Rho are: Chi = X and the letter Rho = P, The fusion of these two letters into an abbreviation became a symbol for Christ.