



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 8:45 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 BAPTISM OF THE LORD

11:00 a.m.

January 8, 2012

❖THE PREPARATION OF GOD'S PEOPLE❖

PRELUDE

Down Ampney (Come Down, O Love Divine)

Herbert Sumsion

The text and tune to the Prelude may be found in the hymnal, #313

...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: The God whose splendor clothes the world in light:

People: Illumine the shadows of our hearts!

Leader: The Christ whose words set the world to rejoicing and whose touch brought the broken to their feet:

People: Call forth our joy and our service!

Leader: The Spirit who refreshes as the wind and warms as a flame:

People: Dwell within us, prompting dreams and visions!

Leader: Let us worship the triune God, Creator, Savior, and Sustainer ... Father, Son, and Spirit.

†PROCESSIONAL HYMN 492

Baptized in Water

Bunessan

†PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(All)*

God of freedom, who liberates us from captivity, release us with your forgiveness this day. Prisoners to self-interest, we have disregarded neighbors. When slander has been rampant, we have remained silent. Where rumor is tantalizing, we have been willing vehicles to increase hurt. We give a blind eye to the need around us. Help us to halt our destructive ways, lest we consume ourselves and others. Free us from the chains self-righteousness, retribution, and indifference. In your liberty, enable us to love as you have loved us. In Jesus' name, we pray. *(Silent personal confession)*

MUSICAL RESPONSE *(All)*

Kyrie (sung responsorially)

Richard Proulx

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

†ASSURANCE OF PARDON

◆†CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *(All)*

Gloria in Excelsis (see insert)

Craig Phillips

†PASSING OF THE PEACE

Since God has forgiven us, we are free to forgive each other. Therefore the congregation are invited to turn to each other, saying: "The peace of Christ be with you," responding with "And also with you."

❖THE PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD❖

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Genesis 1:1-31
(Pew Bible, OT Page 1)

Pam Teague

SPECIAL TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

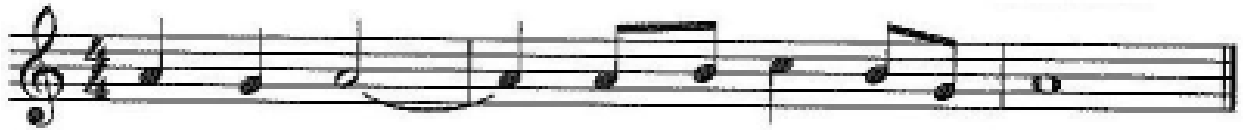
◆† (three-year-olds through first graders may leave for Children's Church.)

Brianna Cook

PSALTER

Psalm 29
Jim Watkin, cantor
The congregation may join at the invitation of the cantor

Hal H. Hobson



Praise the Lord. — Praise the name of the Lord.

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SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Acts 19:1-7

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

(Pew Bible, NT Page 139)

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Every Time I Feel the Spirit

The Rev. Dr. William C. Pender

❖THE RESPONSE OF GOD'S PEOPLE❖

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS FOR THE CLASS OF 2014

(please see insert)

†HYMN OF RESPONSE 522

Lord, When I Came Into This Life

Land of Rest

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY/PASSING OF THE FRIENDSHIP BOOKS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

RECEPTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Come Down, O Love Divine

Down Ampney
arr. Philip Dietterich

†DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**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.**

†HYMN 315

Every Time I Feel the Spirit

African-American spiritual

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

The Heavens Were Opened from Windows of Comfort

Dan Locklair

†Those who are able may stand

◆Usbers will seat those who are waiting

NOTES ABOUT TODAY'S SERVICES

The new officers for the Class of 2014 will be ordained/installed at the 11:00 a.m. worship service.

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: Virginia Conley

Deacon of the Week: Liz Key

Phone Monitor: Earl Hagler

Library Worker: Barbara Villadsen

Baker and Taker: Debbie Malone and Bill and Mary Lou Butler

Nursery Workers: Connie Steele and Rachel

and Emmie Trentham

Children's Church: Brianna Cook, Bryce Elliott, Susan Garlington,
and Brent Trentham

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.