

CONFIRMATION SERVICE 2022

First Presbyterian Church
FOR CHRIST IN THE HEART OF KNOXVILLE 

“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*

LEADERS IN WORSHIP

The Rev. Mark R. Curtis, Senior Pastor

The Rev. Meredith Loftis, Associate Pastor

Mr. Mark Pace, Organist/Choirmaster

Mr. Alex McGavic, Children and Youth Ministries Coordinator

ORDER OF WORSHIP
CONFIRMATION SERVICE
FEBRUARY 16, 2022

PRELUDE

If With All Your Hearts
Eric White, Tenor

Felix Mendelssohn

*If with all your heart ye truly seek Me, Ye shall ever surely find Me, Thus saith our God.
Oh, that I knew where I might find Him, That I might even come before His presence.*

WELCOME

† CALL TO WORSHIP

Jennifer Maryanski

Leader: Jesus says, "I am the Way for you."
People: And so we come to follow Christ.
Leader: Jesus says, "I am the Truth for you."
People: And so we come to dwell in the Light.
Leader: Jesus says, "I am the Life for you."
**People: And so we come, leaving behind all else to which we cling.
And so we come to worship God!**

† INVOCATION

Bill Butler

We are not alone; we live in God's world. We believe in God, who has created and is creating. Who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new. Who works in us and others, by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the church: to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in creation, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen.

† OPENING HYMN 726

Will You Come and Follow Me (vs. 1,3-5)

Kelvingrove

1. Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known,
Will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?
3. Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name?
Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same?
Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen,
And admit to what I mean in you and you in me?
4. Will you love the "you" you hide if I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around,
Through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?
5. Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.
In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM OF BIKEYOMBE KISUBI AND CHRISTIAN CANDINO

CALL TO ORDER

Rev. Meredith Loftis

PUBLIC PROFESSION OF FAITH

PRESENTATION OF THE CONFIRMANDS

EXPRESSIONS OF FAITH

QUESTIONS TO THE CONFIRMANDS

QUESTION TO THE CONGREGATION

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

PRAYER FOR THE CONFIRMANDS AND LAYING ON OF HANDS

Craig Wrisberg

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

(Confirmands and their families and guests will be invited to come forward to receive communion around the table in small groups.)

COMMUNION MUSIC

Aria on a Chaconne

Prelude

Joel Martinson

William Harris

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Brandon Spurlock and Susan Fox

Question: Do you believe in God, the Father?

Response: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

Question: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

Response: I believe 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.

Question: Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

Response: 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.

† SENDING HYMN 450

Be Thou My Vision

Slane

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| 1. Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me, save that thou art;
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light. | 3. Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise;
Thou, mine inheritance, now and always;
Thou and thou only, first in my heart,
High King of Heaven, my treasure thou art. |
| 2. Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true Word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
Thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tower;
Raise thou me heavenward, O Power of my power. | 4. High King of Heaven, my victory won,
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all. |

† BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Hymn to Joy

Michael Burkhardt

† - Please stand if you are able.

2022 CONFIRMATION CLASS

HENRY BARTON

Son of
Grant & Laura Barton
Susan Fox, Elder Friend

MARY VIRGINIA BOHNER

Daughter of
Douglas and Laura Bohner
Jane Luhn, Elder Friend

JACK BRYAN

Son of
Jason & Jenny Bryan
Britton Leitch, Elder Friend

CHRISTIAN CANDINO

Son of
Becky Candino & Stephen Candino
Jennifer Maryanski, Elder Friend

HARRIS EDDINS

Son of
John & Holly Eddins
Ginny Morrow, Elder Friend

BIKEYOMBE KISUBI

Grandson of
Alphonsina Amisi
Son of
First Presbyterian Church
Under the Care of
Tedd & Joanna Pennoyer
Bill Butler, Elder Friend

J.P. PENNOYER

Son of
Tedd & Joanna Pennoyer
Craig Wrisberg, Elder Friend

MAX PITTENGER

Son of
Sam & Kallee Pittenger
Pat Chambers, Elder Friend

NICK & JACK RIORDAN

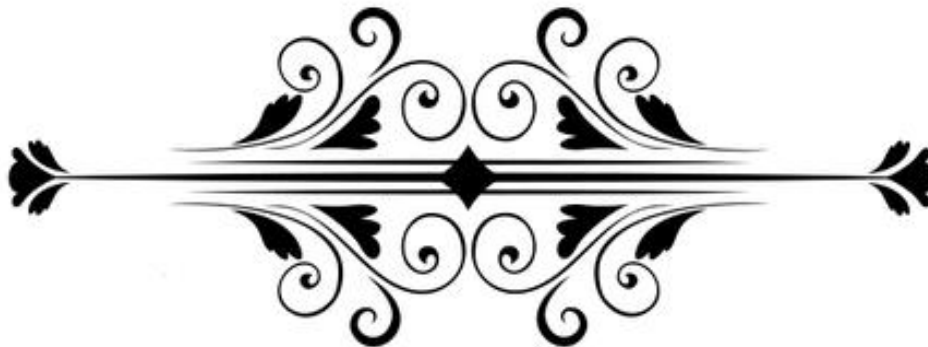
Sons of
Mike & Colleen Riordan
Brandon Spurlock & Joanna Pennoyer,
Elder Friends

CHARLIE SMITH

Son of
Preston & Emily Smith
Greg Efurd, Elder Friend

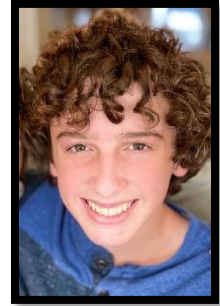
ETHAN & ALEX WILCOX

Sons of
Jennifer Wilcox and the late Ian Wilcox
Craig Wrisberg, Elder Friend

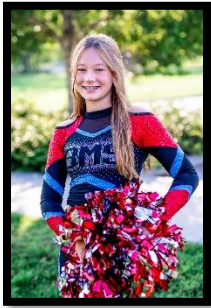


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Henry Barton, 17, is in 11th grade at the Webb School. He enjoys traveling, reading, rock climbing and playing video games. Henry is currently working on his Eagle project for Scouts, and he plays the trombone in the school band.



Mary Virginia Bohner is a 14-year-old 8th Grader at Bearden Middle School. She was born in Florida and baptized as an infant at Community Presbyterian Church in Celebration, Florida. In her spare time, she loves to dance. She is a senior member of GO! Contemporary Arts Dance Company and Captain of the Bearden Middle School Dance Team. Some of her favorite memories at First Presbyterian Church have been made at Worshipful Wednesdays.



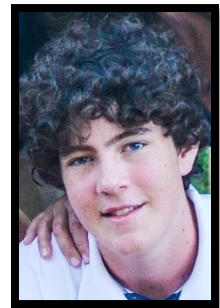
Jack Bryan is a 14-year-old freshman at L&N STEM Academy. He plays baritone in the concert band. In his free time, Jack enjoys reading and playing video games.



Christian Candino is a 15-year-old sophomore at South Doyle High School. He has been attending First Presbyterian Church since he was 4 months old! What he likes about going to First Presbyterian is the accepting atmosphere and strong feelings of family and community.



Harris Eddins is a soon to be 16-year-old freshman at West High School. His passion is baseball. Duke, a rescue mutt, is one of his cherished family members. Church is a big part of Harris' life, and his goal is to have read through the Bible before he goes to college.



Bikyeombe "BK" Kisubi was born in Tanzania, Africa. BK has been a part of our congregation for over 7 years. He is a freshman at West High School and spends most of his free time training and playing soccer.



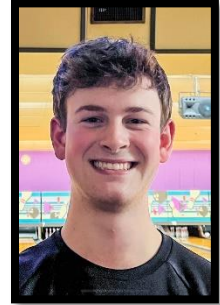
Jerry Philip "JP" Pennoyer is a life-long member of FPC. He is a sophomore at Concord Christian School and has recently joined the wrestling team. He loves tinkering with all things mechanical, especially old cars.





Max Pittenger is a fun-loving, compassionate 8th grader at Berean Christian School where he plays basketball and participates in the STEAM club. Some of his favorite things are: UT basketball, animals, Minecraft, baking, and creating art. He loves attending FPC and appreciates the teachers and mentors he has had over the last 14 years.

Jack Riordan is a junior at Knoxville Central High School and has been a member of First Presbyterian Church since birth. He is an outfielder and a pitcher on the Central Baseball team and is also very active in the Central High School chapter of Young Life. Jack has attended Young Life camp in Sharptop Cove, GA and Carolina Point, NC and has even volunteered on Young Life work crew serving other students in attendance. He works at Ham'n Goodys downtown on Gay Street on Saturdays in his spare time.



Nick Riordan is an 8th grader at Gresham Middle School. He's a member of the Gresham Varsity Basketball team, the Gresham Varsity Baseball team, and is on the Tennessee Nationals 14U Travel Baseball team. Nick has been a member of First Presbyterian Church since birth and was baptized here in 2008.

Charles Henry Smith is a 15-year-old freshman at Bearden High School. He is currently training for the football team at Bearden High School and plays baseball with Farragut Baseball Inc League. Charlie enjoys hanging out with friends, anything involving youth at church, and being active.



Alex Wilcox is a 19-year-old graduate of Hardin Valley Academy. He is in the process of enlisting with the Tennessee Air National Guard. He enjoys hanging out with friends and going on vacations with his family.

Ethan Paul Wilcox is a 19-year-old graduate of Hardin Valley Academy. He currently is enrolled in Pellissippi State Community College. When he isn't working or in class, he enjoys video games, watching movies, and reading Japanese Manga.

