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Worship Service 9:30 AM Fellowship Hall 10:30 AM Sunday School Nell Davis Communicants' Reception Worship Service Sanctuary 11:30 AM 2:30 PM Easter Music Rehersal Choir Room High School Small Group Student Center 6:00 PM Monday, March 21 10:00 AM Women's Prayer Ministry Session Room 5:15 PM Diaconate Monthly Meeting Nell Davis Instrumental Ensemble Sanctuary 6:30 PM Bell Choir Practice SS 208 Tuesday, March 22 Women's Continental Breakfast 8:45 AM Connector 9:30 AM Women of the Covenant Nell Davis Grace and Peace (GaP) Tower 10th Floor 9:45 AM All-Staff Meeting Tower 402 10:00 AM 11:45 AM Women's Luncheon Fellowship Hall 12:00 PM Beatitude Living Tower 404 ONE Bible Study 10th Floor 6:00 PM 6:30 PM Virtual House of Prayer Zoom Wednesday, March 23 6:30 AM Dead Theologians Society Fellowship Hall 4:30 PM Deacon-on-Call Connector World Missions Prayer Time Tower 303 5:30 PM Midweek Meal Fellowship Hall Student Center 6:00 PM Middle School Small Group 6:15 PM Midweek Kids Children's Wing Adult Elective Chapel Choir Room Choir Rehearsal Officer Training Tower 403 Rapha Fellowship SS 209 & SS 212 Thursday, March 24 5:30 PM Stephen Ministry Tower 301 7:30 PM Virtual House of Prayer Zoom Friday, March 25 10:15 AM Support Staff Meeting Tower 8th Floor 12:00 PM Card-E-Ology 6:00 PM First Friends Student Center

This Week at 1st Pres Sunday, March 20



The Vision of First Presbyterian Church of Chattanooga is to be a city-center church compelled by Christ's love to make disciples in our homes, city, and the world.

The Lord's Day SUNDAY, MARCH 20, 2022 11:30 AM

† Please stand as you are able.

Prelude

"Amazing Grace & Fairest Lord Jesus" arr. Frances Callahan Reformation Bell Choir

Welcome and Announcements

Preparing Hearts and Minds for Worship "To God Be the Glory" arr. Joel Raney

THE PRAISE OF GOD'S PEOPLE

†CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 33:1-5

Reader: Shout for joy in the LORD, O you righteous!

Praise befits the upright.

People: Give thanks to the LORD with the lyre;

make melody to Him with the harp of ten strings!

Reader: Sing to Him a new song;

play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts.

People: For the word of the LORD is upright,

and all His work is done in faithfulness.

He loves righteousness and justice;

the earth is full of the steadfast love of the LORD.

†Prayer of Invocation

†Hymns of Praise

"Come, All Christians, Be Committed"
"My Jesus, I Love Thee"
No. 648 (vv. 1,3,4)

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Saturday, March 26

†Affirmation of Faith

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 at 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.

Welcoming New Members

<u>9:30</u>	<u>Service</u>	11:30 Service
Taylor Brown	Camp Reardon	Anna Fluhrer
Joelle Casson	Emmie Reardon	Miles Reese
Owen Joynt	Elizabeth Reynolds	
Reese Pond	Elsbeth Wilson	

Baptism of New Member

Miles Cooper Reese, son of Rachel Reese

PRAYER FOR CHRIST'S PEOPLE

OFFERTORY

"Nearer, My God, to Thee" arr. Dan Forrest

Greeting & Dismissal to Children's Church*

*Please check in your children PreK-1st grade at the check-in station by the Fellowship Hall level elevator and walk them to the PreK-K dept.

†Doxology

THE WORD FOR GOD'S PEOPLE

SERMON

Revelation 3:14-22 — "The Halfhearted Church"

"Revelation: Roadmap for Daily Life, Refuge for the Future" Dr. Gabe Fluhrer

TASTING GOD'S GRACE

Confession of Sin and Assurance of Pardon

O Lord, we would come to You with the penitence of the prodigal son, confessing that we have sinned against heaven and in Your sight. You give freely of the Bread of Life to all who seek Your fullness,

and You bestow a father's blessing on every returning wanderer.

We have wandered from You.

We have squandered the goods You have given us as though they belonged to us,

forgetting that our life and breath and all things are from You.

Often we have lived as if we had no heavenly Father to thank for His goodness.

We sought satisfaction in earthly pleasures,

but they were only as husks to our souls.

And now we come back crying,

"Why should we perish with hunger, when there is bread enough in our Father's house to spare?"

We thank You that we feel our wanderings, and You incline our hearts to come back to You.

O gracious Father, have mercy on us. Grant us forgiveness. Amen.

THANKSGIVING

Pastor: The Lord be with you. People: And also with you. Pastor: Lift up your hearts. People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Pastor: It is right and good and a joyful thing, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

WORDS OF PRAISE

Pastor: Christ, our Passover, was sacrificed for us. Alleluia!

People: Alleluia!

Pastor: These are the gifts of God for the people of God. Take these in remembrance that Jesus Christ died for you. Feed on them in your heart by faith, and drink remembering that Christ's blood was shed

for you.

†Hymn of Response

"Have Thine Own Way, Lord"

No. 688 (vv. 1,4)

THE SENDING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

†Benediction

from 2 Corinthians 13:11,14

Pastor: Finally, brothers, rejoice. Aim for restoration, comfort one another, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

People: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Postlude

"Simple Gifts" arr. Martha Lynn Thompson Reformation Bell Choir

Sermon Notes:		
1. Christ Appears		

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2. Christ Condemns

3. Christ Calls

4. Christ Gives Us Confidence

The flowers today are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Wayne and Roberta Thomas, who faithfully served on the Flower Committee for many years, by the friends of the Flower Ministry.

The flowers will be arranged by the Flower Committee and delivered by volunteers to our homebound and hospitalized on Monday, March 21st.