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*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.*

Worship Service | August 22, 2021  
11:00 AM

PRELUDE

*"All Glory Be to God" by Mark Hayes*

PREPARING HEARTS AND MINDS FOR WORSHIP  
*"Revelation 19" arr. Jack Schrader*

THE PRAISE OF GOD'S PEOPLE

CALL TO WORSHIP

*Psalm 57:5, 7-11*

Reader: Be exalted, O God, above the heavens! Let Your glory be over all the earth!

**People: My heart is steadfast, O God, my heart is steadfast! I will sing and make melody!**

Reader: Awake, my glory! Awake, O harp and lyre! I will awake the dawn!

**People: I will give thanks to You, O LORD, among the peoples; I will sing praises to You among the nations.**

Reader: For Your steadfast love is great to the heavens, Your faithfulness to the clouds.

**People: Be exalted, O God, above the heavens! Let Your glory be over all the earth!**

HYMNS OF PRAISE

*"Holy God, We Praise Your Name" No. 103 (vv. 1,2,4)  
"Revelation Song"*

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*Westminster Shorter Catechism Q&A 1 and 2, Psalm 115:1, 18*

Reader: What is the chief end of man?

**People: Man's chief end is to glorify God, and to enjoy Him forever.**

Reader: What rule hath God given to direct us how we may glorify and enjoy Him?

**People: The Word of God, which is contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, is the only rule to direct us how we may glorify and enjoy him.**

**All: Not to us, O Lord, not to us, but to your name give glory, for the sake of your steadfast love and your faithfulness! We will bless the Lord from this time forth and forevermore. Praise the Lord!**

HYMN OF ASSURANCE

*"He Will Hold Me Fast"*

PRAYER FOR CHRIST'S PEOPLE

OFFERTORY

*"Idyll of Praise" by Craig Courtney*

GREETING & DISMISSAL TO CHILDREN'S CHURCH\*

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

Doxology

*No. 732*

THE WORD FOR GOD'S PEOPLE

SERMON

*"What Is the Meaning of Life?"*

*Romans 11:33-36*

Dr. Gabe Fluhrer

TASTING GOD'S GRACE

CONFESSION OF SIN AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

**O most great, most just and gracious God,  
we confess that we have all sinned**

**and come short of the glory of God.**

**We have neglected Your holy worship.**

**We have not sought first Your kingdom.**

**You have revealed Your wonderful love to us in Christ  
and offered us pardon and salvation in Him,  
but we have turned away.  
We have run into temptation,  
and the sin that we should have hated, we have committed.  
Have mercy on us, most merciful Father!  
In Your Son is our salvation, in Your promises our hope.  
Take us for Your children and give us the Spirit of Your Son,  
through Jesus Christ our only Savior. 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

*"To God Be the Glory"*

*No. 55*

#### THE SENDING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

#### BENEDICTION

*Romans 15:5-7*

Pastor: May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.

**People: Thanks be to God! Amen.**

*"Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say rejoice." (Philippians 4:4)  
The flowers today are given to the glory of God and in memory of my husband  
Gordon L. Smith Jr. and in honor of our wedding anniversary by Frances Smith.*

*Flowers from today's display will be arranged by the flower committee and delivered  
by volunteers to our homebound and hospitalized on Monday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>.*

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