

FEBRUARY 12, 2023



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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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The Rev. Dr. Evan R. Smith

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FEBRUARY 12, 2023

10:30 AM

Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

Welcome to the house of the Lord! May God's grace and peace fill you.

PRELUDE

STRIKING THE HOUR

GREETING

CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

Announcements

Prayer Concerns

INTROIT

The Steadfast Love of the Lord

Chancel Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: The God of the covenant has set before us either life and prosperity, or death and adversity.

P: **We choose life, so that we, and our children, may live long in the blessed provision of the Lord our God.**

L: Therefore, worship the Lord your God; obey and hold fast to him.

P: **For in the Lord we have life and length of days.**

L: Let us worship God!

HYMN

Take My Life and Let It Be Consecrated

(vs.1, 2, 5, 6)

CH 221

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess we have been quick to judge others in anger, but slow to judge ourselves by the same standards; we have received forgiveness, but denied it to others; we have broken your commandments, if not by outright disobedience, then by failing to keep them in our hearts; and we have allowed the flesh to resist and

rebel against your Spirit. Forgive our sins, O Lord, and bless us with the freedom that is ours when we do the work of forgiveness well. Refresh us with the joy of your Spirit, that we might be led and inspired by the breezes that flow from your gracious presence; in the name of Christ we pray. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

L: All of us have a common purpose in Christ, for we are God's servants, working together in worship and mission.

P: Therefore, let us be reconciled to one another in accordance with the atonement of Jesus Christ, by whose sacrifice we have been reconciled to God.

L: Truly, in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven; therefore, be at peace with God, with one another, and with yourself.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

God Is So Good

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God is so good, God is so good,
God is so good, He's so good to me.

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 on 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.

OFFERING

Offertory

O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

DOXOLOGY

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

Prayer of Dedication

ANTHEM

Living for Jesus

Chancel Choir

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

OT LESSON

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

SERMON

The Vows We Make

The Rev. Dr. Evan R. Smith

HYMN

Trust and Obey (vs. 1, 4, 5)

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CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE

The Bond of

Love

Chancel Choir

POSTLUDE

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Today **February 12**

10:30 AM Worship

NO Chancel Choir after worship

Session after worship

Greeters & Ushers: All are needed

Tuesday **February 14**

10 AM Friendship circle meeting afterwards lunch at
Pampered Palate Cafe

Wednesday **February 15**

11 AM Bible study in Sanger Classroom

Thursday **February 16**

5:15 PM JuBELLation Handbell Choir practice

Next Sunday **February 19**

10:30 AM Worship

Chancel Choir Practice immediately following worship

Greeters & Ushers: All are needed

PRAYERS

Prayer Concerns

Linda Licklitter

Roger Harris

Nita Wimer

Anita Haessly

Talitha Hippeard

Shut-Ins

Charlotte Dale – Brightview Senior Living

Tim Clemmer – The Legacy

Jean Flower – The Legacy

Birthdays

15 Christopher Scott Hippeard

18 Kailyn Jane Swisher

19 Micah Benjamin Smith

20 Bliss Nuckols

Anniversaries

14 Linda & Steve Kincheloe

17 Linda & Howard Lickliter

Serving Our Country

Scott Dice – Son of Melissa and Harry Dice

Nick Dubyk – Grandson of Betty and Willis Clemmer

Matthew Witcofsky – Son of Janet and Joe Witcofsky

QUICK REMINDER

Please call the Church Office (885-8159) if you or someone in your family goes into the hospital. This is the only sure way that we will know of your situation, so visits and other support can be given.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREETERS & USHERS

Sign-up sheet for greeters and ushers for the month of **February** is on the table in back of the sanctuary. Thanks you for your help.

THANKS

It is with the deepest gratitude that I thank God first of all & you for your ongoing support throughout my illness and recovery. It was so nice to be back in person with you last week and I look forward to being able to continue that. Howard & I greatly appreciate all your calls, texts, emails & the many meals you've so generously provided for us. I also thank Pastor Evan for his phone calls and visits. We cannot thank you enough.

2 Thessalonians 1:3 “we must thank God at all times for you”

Yours in Christ

Linda Lickliter

THE SESSION

Class of 2023

Frank Brown
Mary Rainey
Debbie Sedr
Jerry Siford

Class of 2024

Amanda Harris
Jim McKenna
Rick Myrah
Sherrill Robinson

Class of 2025

Sue Gochenour
Pickle Nuckols
Pam Snyder
Paul Wolfe

Evan R. Smith, Moderator

Nancy Swisher, Clerk

TRUSTEES

Class of 2023

Betty Clemmer

Class of 2024

Caroline Woebke

Class of 2025

Jim Sargent

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Moderator.....Mary Rainey
Vice-Moderator.....Pat Blackley
Secretary.....Talitha Hippeard
Treasurer.....Sue Gochenour

SESSION COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Christian Education/Worship.....Mary Rainey & Jim McKenna
Membership & Outreach..... Debbie Sedr & Sherrill Robinson
Mission & Community Service.....Frank Brown & Amanda Harris
Stewardship and Finance.....Pam Snyder
Property.....Paul Wolfe & Rick Myrah
Personnel.....Pam Snyder

CHURCH STAFF

Pastor.....The Rev. Dr. Evan R. Smith
Secretary.....Kay Waitier
Music Director.....Pam Snyder

Organist.....Pam Snyder