



SEQUOYAH HILLS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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WORSHIP SERVICE 8:30 & 11:00 A.M.

SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30 A.M.

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

January 5, 2020

GATHERING

WELCOME

Dr. Jay Howell

PRELUDE

Toccata

Théodor Dunois

OPPORTUNITIES FOR DISCIPLESHIP

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made.

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

* HYMN #386

O for a World

AZMON

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*in unison*)

Rev. Rachel Hamburger

**As we come into a new year, O God, we want our lives to be new,
new in authentic love and meaningful service,
new in our experience of community,
beyond making resolutions,
to being real with you and with one another.
Lord, have mercy upon us in the walls we build,
the ways we hide,
and in the sin that remains in us
that could receive your refreshing forgiveness!
Make us new, O Lord, as you promise you will.**

* SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

* ACT OF PRAISE #9 (Congregation sings.)

GLORIA PATRI

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, Amen.**

* PASSING THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

THE WORD

CHILDREN'S TIME (11:00)

(Children are invited to come forward as we pass the peace. Following the Children's Time we will sing "Jesus Loves Me" as children ages four through first grade meet their greeters for Children & Worship. Children should be picked up below the Sanctuary after the service.)

Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so. Little ones to Him belong, they are weak, but He is strong. Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

(8:30) David Riestenberg

(11:00) Richard Swan

OLD TESTAMENT Psalm 133

Pew Bible, p. 575

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SOLO

What Songs Were Sung
Sarah-Clementine Mire, soprano

John Jacob Niles

NEW TESTAMENT 1 John 1:5-10

Pew Bible, p. 238

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Real: In the Light

Dr. Jay Howell

HYMN #322 (seated)

Spirit of the Living God

LIVING GOD

Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me;

Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.

RESPONDING

THE OFFERING

Rev. Mark Lampley

*Attendance registers are in the pews, next to the center aisle.
Please sign and pass them on to the person sitting next to you.*

OFFERTORY (8:30)

Day by Day
Eunsuk Jung, piano

arr. Greg Howlett

(11:00)

"Praise Ye the Lord of Hosts" from Christmas Oratorio
SHPC Chancel Choir

C. Saint-Saëns

* DOXOLOGY (*Congregation sings.*)

**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 / MISSION TRIP COMMISSIONING

(11:00)

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer

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.

Words of Institution

Distribution of Elements (*Please hold the Bread and the Cup, that we might partake of them together as a family of faith.*)

Prayer of Commitment: **We thank you, O God, that through Word and Sacrament you have given us your Son, who is the true bread from heaven and food of eternal life. So strengthen us in your service that our daily living may show our thanks, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

SENDING

* HYMN #504

Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether

UNION SEMINARY

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

The Trumpet Shall Sound

arr. Lani Smith

Prayer is available after worship at the front of the Sanctuary and in the Chapel.

Large-print bulletins, Bibles, hymnals, and assisted-listening devices (Bluetooth and t-coil compatible) are available upon request.

Lightweight shawls are hanging on the coat rack for anyone who would like a little extra warmth.

*Ushers are available to assist you with these items.
Please let us know how we can further assist you.*

If you feel the Spirit of God moving you to affirm your faith in Jesus, please speak to a pastor following the Service or contact one this week at the church.

May applause resound in our hearts as we ascribe to the Lord the glory of His Name.

** Please stand if you are able.*

CALENDAR

TODAY

- 8:30 A.M. - Worship Service (Sanctuary)
- 9:30 A.M. - Sunday School
- 10:15 A.M. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 11:00 A.M. - Worship Service (Sanctuary)
- 12:00 P.M. - Nursery New Year Party (Kingdom)

MONDAY

- 10:00 A.M. - Staff Meeting (Fowler Conference Room)
- 10:15 A.M. - Yoga (The Loft)
- 6:30 P.M. - Disciple Two (The Loft)

TUESDAY

- 5:30 P.M. - International Missions Committee (Fowler Conf. Room)
- 6:00 P.M. - Disciple V (The Loft)

WEDNESDAY

- 10:30 A.M. - Wednesday Bible Study (Fowler Conference Room)
- 4:30 P.M. - Joyful Praise Choir (Upper Conference Room)
- Joyful Noise Choir (Children & Worship Room)
- 5:15 P.M. - Wednesday Night Fellowship (Barron Hall)
- 6:00 P.M. - Disciple Fast-Track Bible Study (Room 322)
- Infant/Toddler Childcare (Room 204)
- Preschool/Elementary Childcare (Media Room)
- Youth Small Groups (The Loft)
- 6:15 P.M. - Bible Studies:
 - 1st-5th Grade (Kingdom)
 - Women with Younger Children (Fowler Conf. Room)
 - Women 45+ (Reception Room)
- 7:00 P.M. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

THURSDAY

- 8:00 A.M. - Men's Bible Study (off site)
- 10:00 A.M. - Yoga (The Loft)
- 12:00 P.M. - Church & Community Luncheon (Barron Hall)

FRIDAY

- 7:00 A.M. - Men's Bible Studies (various locations)
- 9:00 A.M. - Beginner's Tai Chi (Barron Hall)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ARE YOU A VISITOR WITH US TODAY? We are delighted that you are here. If you would like more information about Sequoyah Hills Presbyterian Church, please speak to an usher or visit our website at www.sequoyahchurch.org.

INTERESTED IN JOINING SEQUOYAH HILLS PRESBYTERIAN? There will be a visitors class offered Sunday, January 19, between worship services. The class is not required, but it is encouraged.

THE FLOWERS TODAY are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Morgan Mahan Myers with love from her family.

SHPC'S ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING is on Sunday, January 26, at 11:00 A.M. in the Sanctuary for the purpose of presenting the 2020 budget, approving changes in the pastors' terms of call,

electing officers for the class of 2022-2023, and electing four at-large members to serve on the Nominating Committee.

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE: As John Compton shared on Commitment Sunday, "What difference can a difference make?" So far, 235 pledges have been received totaling \$1,750,320, of which 103 are new or increased pledges over last year. Thank you and praise God! We are already ahead of last year's pace. Forty-one households that pledged in 2019 have not yet pledged for 2020. If you have not yet pledged for 2020, please prayerfully discern how God is leading you to commit to our church's ministry in the coming year. Pledge cards are available in the pews and in the back of the Sanctuary, in addition to a confidential online option on the church website. Thank you for your generosity!

FISH DONATIONS: Every family is being asked to bring a specific item each month for FISH. In January, those who are able are asked to bring a 4-pack of toilet paper (double roll) to the church office. Thank you for your help with our FISH ministry.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP is in Barron Hall from 5:15 to 6:00: Chick-fil-A. RSVP and prepayment required by Tuesday at noon. Youth/adults \$8, children/seniors \$5, and family \$25 maximum. Wednesday Bible studies offered after dinner are listed in the calendar section above.

THE CHURCH & COMMUNITY LUNCHEON is on Thursday at noon in Barron Hall with speaker Jay Howell and the program "A Preacher's Life." Please call the church to make your reservation for a boxed lunch by Tuesday, January 7. The cost for lunch is \$5. Invite a friend to join us in the new year.

WANT TO READ THE NEW TESTAMENT TOGETHER? Wednesday evenings 6-7 there will be a pastor-led presentation and discussion with provided guide. Contact mlampley@sequoyahchurch.org for more information by January 6.

A NEW BIBLE STUDY FOR MEN in their 20s, 30s, and 40s begins on Thursday, January 9, 8:30 to 9:30 A.M. in the Study Room at Chick-fil-A, 4944 Kingston Pike. Curriculum options will be discussed at first gathering. Interested? Contact Mark Lampley via text at 771-5044 or mail MLampley@sequoyahchurch.org.

THE SHPC WOMEN'S RETREAT is one of the highlights of the year. The 2020 Retreat is February 28 – March 1 at the beautiful RT Lodge in Maryville with guest speaker Laura Strunk. Laura and her husband David live in Maryville with their three children ages 9, 6, and 3. Laura worked for 10 years with Young Life in Denver before moving to Tennessee. She is currently going through training in Spiritual Direction, a practice which helps people grow in awareness of God's presence in their everyday lives and invites them to live deeply out of that awareness. Laura will be focusing on how we as women can be rooted through Christ in the transitions of life. Registration forms will be available on January 8.

SHPC YOUTH MIDDLE SCHOOL LOCK-IN begins on January 24 at 8:00 P.M. in The Loft. Play all night. Sleep all day. Cost \$45. Brochures are available on Laura Cutter's office door or check out the link on our website.

YOU DON'T HAVE TO WALK ALONE: Do you or someone you know need prayer? After worship, there is a Deacon in both the Chapel and at the front of the Sanctuary available to talk with you or to pray with you. All prayers are held in confidence. You may also fill out the "prayer request" form found in our pews and place it in the offering plate. You will be prayed for!

Stephen Ministers and Deacons also stand ready to offer support in any way. Call Sis Mitchell (584-8447) for Stephen Ministry or Cathy Henry (898-9131) for Deacons.

If you have a joy or concern you would like to add to our prayer list that goes out to many "Pray-ers" in our congregation, email Pam Fritts at fritts1971@gmail.com.

DURING OUR JANUARY SERMON SERIES, WE INVITE "OFFERINGS" UP TO GOD in the form of written responses, in addition to financial and prayerful responses. Following the theme of each week's sermon, worshipers will be able to use pew rack inserts to "give up" something to God as a word or short phrase with no associated author name given. During the Offering, anonymous and confidential offerings may be given on weekly themes: sinfulness, hatred, weaknesses, and blessing respectively. Pastors, Deacons and

our Prayer Groups will then pray for these specific offerings.

SHPC GUATEMALA MISSION TRIP PARTICIPANTS are commissioned at today's 11:00 worship. Our medical and non-medical team departs January 11 and returns January 18. We will be collaborating with Central American doctors, nurses, and translators from the Porch de Solomon in the western highlands of Panajachel to offer medical care, education, and pastoral care. Thanks to all those who have prayerfully, financially, and logistically supported our team which includes: Dan Cauble, Kate Pionke, Jim Kirksey, Valerie Coleman, Nancy Hays, Donna Kedrow, Pam and Katherine Kincaid, Merrill White, Sheila White, Debbie Henson, Amy Gray, Lisa Oglesby, J Corbitt and Mark Lampley.

TRY A SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS. You are welcome to attend any class at any time: (1) Chapel – The Book of Job, (2) Room 232 – Christmas studies from Matthew and Luke, (3) Spitzer Room 317 – Message, Faith, and Spirit, (4) Spitzer Room 320 – The Book of 1 Peter, and (5) Spitzer Room 322 – Adam Hamilton's *The Journey*.

THIS SUNDAY'S VOLUNTEERS: Greeter – Andy Cheadle; Ushers – Ned Babb, Joe Bruner, Sandy Gillespie, Beau Hannifin, Lee Hyde, Vance Link, Jim Mitchell, Jerry Sinclair, Judd Spitzer, and Beth Sterchi. December Flowers – Denise Anderson, Midge Ayres, Sunny Biden, Helen Bruner, Kathryn Callaway, Ellyn Cauble, Stephanie Daniel, Amelia Daniels, Peyton Drysdale, Casey Field, Cammy Glover, Gail Grossman, Marion Hannifin, Cathy Henry, Florence Johnston, Stevens Koella, Cheryl Kershaw, Judy Luttrell, Wendy Matthews, Adrienne McPeake, Jane Moyer, Linda Raulston, Karen Reed, Jennifer Sanger, Susan Schmid, Beth Sterchi, Peggy Tippens, Tamara Warner, and Cathy Youmans.

IN THE NURSING HOMES AND ASSISTED-LIVING CENTERS: Arbor Terrace – Donna Stevens; Little Creek – Bobbie Congleton; NHC Farragut – Barbara Patterson; Northshore Senior Living – Phyllis Marks and Margaret Rodgers; Park Place of West Knoxville – Jim Patteson; Westmoreland – Betty Benson and Pat Gray.



A Stephen Ministry Congregation

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