

SERVICE OF WORSHIP FOR AUGUST 7, 2022

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

INTROIT 351 *All Who Love and Serve Your City* CHARLESTOWN

Gathering Around The World

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 50:1-6

One: From the rising of the sun to where it sets,

All: the heavens declare the righteousness of God.

One: God calls to all the earth,

All: and the earth reflects God's beauty.

One: A faithful heart proclaims God's righteousness.

All: Let us worship God in spirit and truth!

***HYMN 13** *The Mighty God with Power Speaks*

KINGSFOLD

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

Holy God,
you promise us a life full of blessing,

but we do not always believe.

You invite us to hope,

but we fall back into fear.

You urge us to give freely,

but we cling to what we have.

You call us to watch intently for you,

but we grow lazy and self-absorbed.

Forgive us.

Increase our hope, strengthen our love,

and keep us alert to the wonders you work

in the world every day.

For the sake of Jesus we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Beloved of God, hear the good news! By faith we have been saved, our guilty hearts washed clean. Refreshed, revived, and renewed, empowered by the Holy Spirit, let us live as ones who are freed and transformed, giving thanks to God for this wonderful Good News:

All: Through Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!

**for portions marked with an asterisk,
you're invited to rise in body or spirit*

*PASSING THE PEACE

We invite you to share the peace of Christ with others.

*RESPONSE 581

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.

Listening To the Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION OF GOD'S WORD

FIRST READING

Isaiah 1:10-20

(The scripture readings can be found on the side panel of the bulletin)

SHARING FAITH WITH THE YOUNGER CHURCH

ANTHEM 350 *Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning*

AFRICAN AMERICAN
SPIRITUAL

SECOND READING

Luke 12:32-40

SERMON

Responding to the Word

***HYMN 507** *COME TO THE TABLE OF GRACE*

TABLE OF GRACE

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

CHURCH CREED
Inside front of hymnal

SHARING OUR PRAYERS

See prayer concerns list, back page

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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Invitation to the Table

Great Thanksgiving

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord!

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise!

Sharing the Feast

Prayer after Communion

GIVING BACK TO GOD'S KINGDOM

*In obedience to Christ and with love for our neighbors,
let us bring our offerings to God.*

*THE DOXOLOGY 606

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Christ, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, you heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God Sends Us Forth

*HYMN 463

How Firm a Foundation

FOUNDATION

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

*BLESSING

HYMN

Irish Blessing

POSTLUDE

Visiting today? Welcome!

Please tell us a little about yourself!

You can scan this QR code with your smartphone to fill out our online form.

We would love to get to know you better!



This Week

Tues., Aug. 9 @ 5:00pm - Christian Education Committee

Wed., Aug. 10 @ 10:00am - Quilting Bee

Wed., Aug. 10 @ 12:00pm - Packing Boxes @ God's Food Pantry

Wed., Aug. 10 @ 4:30pm - Mission Committee Meeting

Wed., Aug. 10 @ 7:00pm - Deacon Meeting

Thur., Aug. 11 @ 6:00pm - United Way gathering on homelessness

Thur., Aug. 11 @ 6:00pm - Centering Prayer

Worship Assistants Next Week

Liturgist.....Mary Jones

Ushers.....Kim King & Richard Wright

Sound.....Josh Jones & Mary Beth Waller

First Reading—Isaiah 1:10-20

¹⁰ Hear the Lord's word, you leaders of Sodom.
 Listen to our God's teaching,
 people of Gomorrah!
¹¹ What should I think about all your sacrifices?
 says the Lord.
 I'm fed up with entirely burned offerings of rams
 and the fat of well-fed beasts.
 I don't want the blood of bulls, lambs, and goats.
¹² When you come to appear before me,
 who asked this from you,
 this trampling of my temple's courts?
¹³ Stop bringing worthless offerings.
 Your incense repulses me.
 New moon, sabbath, and the calling of an assembly—
 I can't stand wickedness with celebration!
¹⁴ I hate your new moons and your festivals.
 They've become a burden that I'm tired of bearing.
¹⁵ When you extend your hands,
 I'll hide my eyes from you.
 Even when you pray for a long time,
 I won't listen.
 Your hands are stained with blood.
¹⁶ Wash! Be clean!
 Remove your ugly deeds from my sight.
 Put an end to such evil;
¹⁷ learn to do good.
 Seek justice:
 help the oppressed;
 defend the orphan;
 plead for the widow.
¹⁸ Come now, and let's settle this,
 says the Lord.
 Though your sins are like scarlet,
 they will be white as snow.
 If they are red as crimson,
 they will become like wool.
¹⁹ If you agree and obey,
 you will eat the best food of the land.
²⁰ But if you refuse and rebel,
 you will be devoured by the sword.
 The Lord has said this.

Second Reading—Luke 12:32-40

³² "Don't be afraid, little flock, because your Father delights in giving you the kingdom. ³³ Sell your possessions and give to those in need. Make for yourselves wallets that don't wear out—a treasure in heaven that never runs out. No thief comes near there, and no moth destroys. ³⁴ Where your treasure is, there your heart will be too.
³⁵ "Be dressed for service and keep your lamps lit. ³⁶ Be like people waiting for their master to come home from a wedding celebration, who can immediately open the door for him when he arrives and knocks on the door. ³⁷ Happy are those servants whom the master finds waiting up when he arrives. I assure you that, when he arrives, he will dress himself to serve, seat them at the table as honored guests, and wait on them. ³⁸ Happy are those whom he finds alert, even if he comes at midnight or just before dawn. ³⁹ But know this, if the homeowner had known what time the thief was coming, he wouldn't have allowed his home to be broken into. ⁴⁰ You also must be ready, because the Human One is coming at a time when you don't expect him."

*Scripture verses taken from
 the Common English Bible translation*



Prayers for Comfort, Concern, and Healing

Our Neighbors in Eastern Kentucky, Paul Henderson; Bill House; George Joplin; Richard Wright's sister, Peggy; Mary Jane Lackey; Ed Mick & family; Ed Cook; Jon Burlew; Sherry Woodall's sister, Ardenia; Leslie Phillips; Becky Pitman's sister, Rhonda Roark

Current Giving

	Rec'd Wk of 7/31/22	Needed Weekly	Received YTD	Needed YTD
Pledged Offering	\$970	\$3,682	\$90,943	\$114,142
Non- Pledged	\$445	\$728	\$28,626	\$22,568

Assisting In Worship

Ministers.....Every Member
Liturgist.....Cathy Wright
Ushers.....Paula Burlew, Jimmy & Jo Salmon
Sound.....Jon Burlew & Paul Guffey
Director of Music.....Theresa Jean Kibby
Piano & Organ.....Debby McDonald
Pastor.....Rev. Andrew Bowman

Deacons:

Paula Burlew	Eileen Stockham	Marty Whitson
Cindy Fountain	Mary Beth Waller	Katie Jones
Carol Prater	Susie Lackey	George Joplin
	Stephanie Ousley	

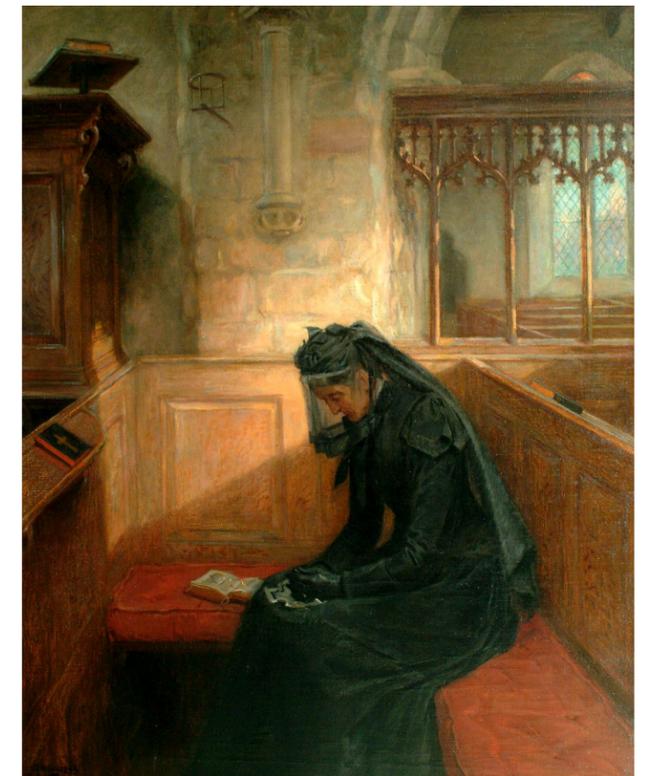
Elders:

<i>Class of 2022</i>	<i>Class of 2023</i>	<i>Class of 2024</i>
Forrest Brock	Bill Fountain	Charlie Leveridge
Chris Phillips	Kimberly King	Zack Vaught
Erin Stephens	Perry Waller	John Wright

First Presbyterian Church

August 7th, 2022

Nineth Sunday after Pentecost



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People of God, Welcome Home!

May Christ's peace and presence fill your heart as you worship this day, and may you go forth with the light and love of God shining within you.

We welcome you to worship, and ask that any electronic devices be placed on silent so that all may hear what God has to say.

Due to the personal boundaries and preferences of others, please ask before offering a hug or handshake.

Our sanctuary is equipped with a T-coil system for people with hearing difficulty.