First Presbyterian Church

Tullahoma, Tennessee

6th Sunday after Epiphany

February 16, 2025

Vision Statement:

Worshipping God, growing together, serving others, and welcoming all

Service for the Worship of God - 10:30 a.m.

Welcome and Announcements

If you are visiting with us and would like to leave your contact information, please, fill out the "Welcome" card (located in the pew rack) and place it in the offering plate later in the service.

Prelude

Still your heart and prepare to worship God.

Water is poured into the baptismal font calling us to remember our baptism.

The acolytes symbolically bring the light of Christ into the service.

Call to Worship (responsively)

Led by Liturgist

It is good to praise the Lord

and make music to your name, O Most High,

to proclaim your love in the morning

and your faithfulness at night.

Invocation

Liturgist

**Hymn No. 406 (2 times)

We Are Standing on Holy Ground

**Call to Confession

Liturgist

**Prayer of Confession (responsively)

Led by Liturgist

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear my voice!

Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand?

But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered.

I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in his word I hope; my soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning, more than those who watch for the morning.

O Israel, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem.

**Choral Response, No. 399 (2 times)

God Welcomes All

God welcomes all, strangers and friends; God's love is strong, and it never ends.

Story Time with Young Christians

Special Music

Prayer of Illumination No. 458

Thy Word Is a Lamp unto My Feet

(Refrain) - Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

When I feel afraid, and I think I've lost my way, still you're there right beside me. Nothing will I fear as long as you are near. Please be near me to the end. (Refrain)

First Lesson: Psalm 1

Found on page 489 in the Old Testament of the pew Bible

Holy Word, Holy Wisdom
Thanks be to God

Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 15:12-20

Found on page 176 in the New Testament of the pew Bible

Holy Word, Holy Wisdom

Thanks be to God

Sermon: The Book about Everything

**Affirmation of Faith (Unison)

As followers of Jesus Christ, living in this world - which some seek to control, but which others view with despair - we declare with joy and trust: Our World belongs to God! From the beginning, through all the crises of our times, until his kingdom fully comes, God keeps covenant forever. Our world belongs to God! God is King! Let the earth be glad! Christ is victor; his rule has begun. Halleluiah! The Spirit is at work, renewing the creation. Praise the Lord!

Prayers of the People (Leader) and The Lord's Prayer (unison): 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.

Presentation of Ourselves and of our Gifts

Call to Offering

Liturgist

Contributions can also be made online at www.fpctullahoma.org

Offertory

**Doxology, No. 609

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures high and low.

Alleluia, alleluia! Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one.

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

**Prayer of Dedication

Liturgist

**Hymn 263

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

Acolytes take the light out of the service, symbolizing that worshippers are to take the light of Christ into the world where our service begins.

**Charge and Benediction

**Postlude

**All who are able are invited to stand.

Ministers – Our entire congregation Stephen G. Yates, Pastor David Hiebert, Organist Katie Prasser, Minister to Children Bethany Sterling, Minister to Youth Robert Wright, Choir Director Martha Bradley, Liturgist

Announcements for February 16, 2025

Sunday, February 16

9:00 Sunday school for adults

10:30 Worship Service

11:30 Montreat Fundraiser in Williams Family Center

7:00 p.m. Cold Night Program – We are hosting February 16-22.

Monday, February 17

7:00 p.m. Tullahoma Soccer Association Board meeting in Fellowship Hall

7:00 p.m. Cold Night Program in Williams Family Center

Tuesday, February 18

8:30 Learning Place Preschool

12:00 p.m. Deadline for turning in articles and information for the March Newsletter

7:00 p.m. Cold Night Program in Williams Family Center

Wednesday, February 19

8:30 Learning Place Preschool

5:00 – 6:30 p.m. Kingdom Kids for 3-year-olds – 5th grade

5:00 - 6:30 p.m. Presbyterian Youth Connection for middle school students

6:30 - 8:00 p.m. Presbyterian Youth Connection for high school students

7:00 p.m. Cold Night Program in Williams Family Center

Thursday, February 20

8:30 Learning Place Preschool, including chapel

7:00 p.m. Cold Night Program in Williams Family Center

Friday, February 21

7:00 p.m. Cold Night Program in Williams Family Center

Saturday, February 22

9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Girls Night Out Quilt Guild meeting in Fellowship Hall 7:00 p.m. Cold Night Program in Williams Family Center

Next Sunday, February 23

9:00 Sunday school for adults

10:30 Worship Service followed by Congregational Meeting

11:30 Mission Committee meeting in the parlor following the Congregational Meeting

Annual Congregational Meeting – The Session has called a Congregational Meeting to be held following the worship service on February 23 for the purpose of receiving committee and organization reports for 2024, for receiving the report of the 2024 Nominating Committee to elect an Elder to fulfill a one-year-term in the Class of 2025, for electing members-at-large for the 2025 Nominating Committee, and to approve the Terms of Call for the pastor.

Liturgists are still needed. Please sign up using the list on the lectern in the narthex if you are willing to serve.

FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP AT GONDOLA RESTAURANT!

The Family Activities and Outreach Committee invites

the congregation to a time of food and fellowship at Gondola Restaurant in Tullahoma on Thursday, February 27, from 6:00 - ?

Gondola has an extensive menu including a wide selection of appetizers and salads, traditional Greek dishes, pasta, pizza, beef, chicken, seafood and sandwiches. The menu can be viewed at www.gondolatullahoma.com. As a reminder, you are responsible for your own food and drink tab.

For planning purposes we would like to know how many will be attending. Please complete the form below and put it in the offering plate or return it to the church office.

See you at Gondola Restaurant!

| Food and Fellowship at Gondola Restaurant |
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| Name: |
| Number attending: |