

PRELUDE

WORD OF WELCOME

Rev. Dr. Carl Grosse

CALL TO WORSHIP

Shelley Miller

Leader: There is no other God equal to our God
All: **The LORD is a righteous God and a Savior**
Leader: Turn to God and be saved, all you ends of the earth
All: **For the LORD is our God, and there is no other**

*HYMN

O Worship the King

Hymnal #104 (Verses 1,3, 4)

Verse 1: O worship the King, all glorious above, and gratefully sing His wonderful love:
our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days, pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.

Verse 3: Thy bountiful care, what tongue can recite? It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;
it streams from the hills, it descends to the plain, and sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

Verse 4: Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail, in Thee do we trust, nor find Thee to fail.
Thy mercies, how tender, how firm to the end, our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

Shelley Miller

Please sign and pass the friendship register located on the center aisle under the pew in front.

CALL TO CONFESSION

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Leader: Seek the LORD while He can still be found, call upon God while He is near. Let the wicked abandon their ways and the sinful their plans. Let them return to the LORD so that God may have mercy on them, because our God is generous with forgiveness. Let us pray together.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: **Heavenly Father, we like to say You are first in our lives. Do our lives back that up? How many times this past week alone did we put You on a back burner while we did what we wanted? Maybe they were just little things, no harm and no foul. Or maybe You aren't as "first" as we think. Forgive us for thinking religion is just for church and needs to stay out of the real world. Forgive us for thinking that making a show of religion fools anyone, especially You. Help us to love You like we mean it, for we ask in Jesus' Name, AMEN.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Shelley Miller

Leader: With an everlasting love I have comforted you says the LORD, your Redeemer. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

*GLORIA PATRI

**All: 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

Shelley Miller

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

ANTHEM

This is the Day the Lord Has Made

Hayes

This is the day the Lord has made and I will be exceeding glad!

This is the day the Lord has made and I will be exceeding glad!

This is the day the Lord has made and I will be exceeding glad!

This is the day the Lord has made and I will be exceeding glad!

Who is like unto our God the Lord, strong and mighty?

Who is like unto our God who reigns above in glorious splendor?

*You are the Rose of Sharon, the Lover of my soul. You are my heart's desire,
My soul implores me to exalt your Holy name. Your name is music unto my ears;
And I must sing of the great love You've shown to me because my heart will not be still.*

This is the day the Lord has made and I will be exceeding glad!

This is the day the Lord has made and I will be exceeding glad!

This is the day the Lord has made. I will be glad!

FAITHFUL FRIENDS

Children ages 5 through 8th grade are dismissed at this time for children's worship.

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

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SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 6:24-34

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SERMON

"Full Circle"

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*HYMN

Breathe On Me, Breath of God

Hymnal #393 (Verses 1, 2, 3)

Verse 1: Breathe on me, Breath of God, Fill me with life anew,
That I may love what Thou dost love, And do what Thou wouldst do.

Verse 2: Breathe on me, Breath of God, Until my heart is pure,
Until with Thee I will one will, To do and to endure.

Verse 3: Breathe on me, Breath of God, Till I am wholly Thine,
Until this earthly part of me Glows with Thy fire divine.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

All: 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.

CALL FOR OFFERING

Shelley Miller

Leader: Let's thank God with our offerings.

OFFERTORY

His Eye Is On The Sparrow

Hayes

*DOXOLOGY

All: Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father Son and Holy Ghost.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Rev. Dr. Carl Grosse

*HYMN

Seek Ye First

Hymnal #713

Verse 1: Seek ye first the kingdom of God And His righteousness;
And all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, Alleluia!

Verse 2: Ask, and it shall be given unto you; Seek, and ye shall find.
Knock, and the door shall be opened unto you. Allelu, alleluia!

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Rev. Dr. Carl Grosse

*CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION

All: Make us one, Lord, make us one; Holy Spirit, make us one.
Let Your love flow so the world will know, we are one in You.

POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sanctuary Flowers this week are given in memory of Sam Sharpe, Jr. by his loving mother Carolyn Sharpe. If flowers are given in honor or memory of you or someone in your family, you may take them home following worship or you may leave them to be donated to Random Acts of Flowers. They will distribute them to nursing home or hospital patients that need a little something to brighten their day. We ask that you leave the ceramic container, as it belongs to FCPC.



F3: Family, Faith, Food: We are excited to bring back our Wednesday night F3 programming. F3 will take place every Wednesday from September 25 to October 30th. We are pleased to announce that there is no charge for the meal this fall! However, signups are required to account for the amount of food needed. The deadline to signup is the Monday of each week at noon. We will be studying "On Purpose: Finding God's Voice in Your Passion." Come be with your church family, enjoy some good food and explore your faith this fall at F3. Scan the QR code to sign up!

Youth Volunteers Needed: Want to hang with the cool kids? Have a knack for making dinner or just eating dinner? Then come volunteer with the Youth Group! We're currently needing helping hands to make meals for Sunday evenings and hang out with our teens on Sundays. Contact Shelley Miller, Kyle Nolen, or any member of the Youth Committee for more details. Sign up using the link in the weekly word!

Women's Fellowship Craft: What a better way to celebrate autumn than crafting velvet pumpkins and hankie angels to decorate your home? Get into the harvest spirit and join the FCPC ladies on Sunday, October 6 following worship in the Fireside Room for an afternoon of crafting and fellowship. This event is BYOS, "Bring Your Own Sandwich." Drinks and dessert will be provided! Sign up by clicking the link in the Weekly Word.



PNC Survey: The Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) would love your valuable input for our work. Please answer the following questions using the QR code. Your answers will be confidential- no need to put your name. Please complete the survey by October 2. If you would like a paper copy, see any member of the PNC.

FCPC Fall Festival: The Fall Festival Auction will feature 74 items!! A huge THANK YOU to everyone contributing! The online auction has begun- you can now bid on items using the link in the Weekly Word or visiting our Facebook page. Online auction will end noon on Wednesday, October 23, and will re-open for live silent auction the day of the festival. Saturday, October 26 auction will end at 5:30 pm but the fun at the festival will continue.



UKirk Meal Sign Up: FCPC has committed to providing UKirk, the PCUSA campus ministry at UTK dinner on the following dates: October 23, 2024, February 26, 2025, March 26, 2025, and April 23, 2025. We need to provide a meal for 25 to 30 people plus drinks. No need to bring napkins, cups, plates, utensils. The meal needs to be delivered to UKirk between 5:30 and 6:00 PM. Scan the QR code to volunteer!

Trunk or Treat: It's spooky season! Join us as we invite the Fountain City Community to our parking lot for a night of Trunk or Treat. We will provide hot dogs, chips, water and lemonade and would ask that the attendees bring dessert for a dessert buffet and candy to hand out. Want to contribute but can't make it out? Donations are appreciated.



Help Us Serve Family Promise Families: There will be many ways to serve Family Promise families during their stay with us from the afternoon of October 20 until the morning of October 27. Scan the QR code to sign up for your preferred task(s) or contact Tere McDonough at 865-406-6417 or tmc dono@gmail.com.

JARZHEIT

The Worship Committee has agreed with Dr. Carl's recommendation to begin practicing an old Jewish custom called Jarzheit, which helps us remember those from our church family who have died and are with the Lord. Because the primary information source is our Church Register, the names in each week's list will come from there and go back 50 years. We'd love to hear your thoughts as we begin this time-honored tradition. Let the Worship Committee (Brett Miller, Bob Eubanks, Barbara Riehl, Thomas Rader, Leigh Mosely, David Noel) know if it's meaningful to you, how we might refine it, or anything else you'd like to share.

10/2/77 Jeanette Ross, 10/1/80 Dr. Arnett Elliott, 10/2/84 Laura Glover, 9/30/97 Katie McDonald, 9/29/10 Jessie Gilbert, 10/2/10 Claudine Dycus, 9/19/23 Charlotte Davis

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

10/1 April Lamb, 10/2 Krista Johnson, 10/3 Carl Grosse, 10/4 Patrick Noel, 10/5 Molly Chamblee

THANK YOU TO THOSE SERVING IN WORSHIP

Liturgist.....Shelley Miller
Greeters.....Darlene Miller, Barbara Riehl
Ushers.....Shelley and Brett Miller, Teresa Brittain, Bedford Chapman
Music.....FCPC Chancel Choir
Tech Team.....Mac Holland, Thomas Rader, Brett Miller, Debbie Hawkins
Faithful Friends (Children's Worship).....Susan Espiritu, April Lamb
Nursery.....Laurismar Wrinkle, Laura Marquez



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