

# Greeneville Cumberland Presbyterian Church

## Feeding the Community, Body and Soul

### Service for the LORD's Day

September 17, 2023

10:30 a.m.

#### Welcome to worship.

*May we be nourished with joy and hope as we join our hearts and voices in praise to God.*

*At the asterisk sign (\*), you are invited to rise in body or spirit.*

#### If you're visiting,

*we're glad you're here! In the service, the congregation speaks **bold type** and sings **bold italicized type**.*

*If you are willing, please fill out a visitor's card from the pew rack to let us know more about you.*

*A secure nursery for both infants and children up to age 5 is located across the hall from the Fellowship Hall.*

#### Staff

**Robert White**, Interim Pastor

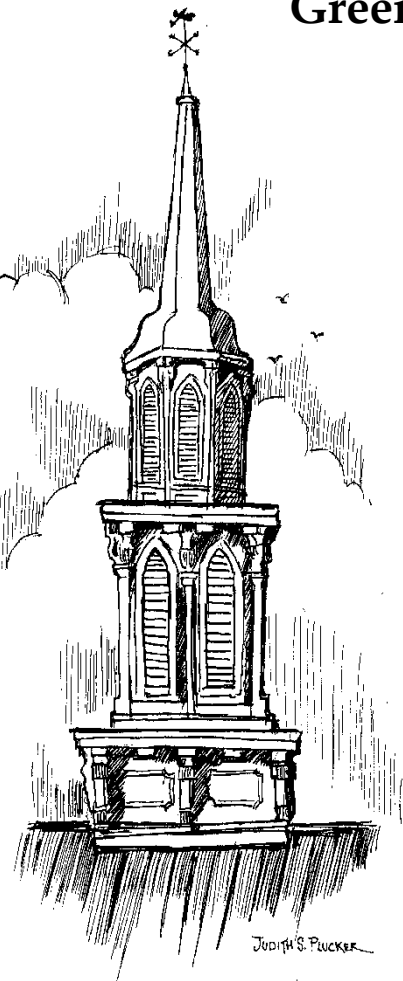
**Debbie Johnson**, Office Admin.

**Jeff Farr**, Music Director

**Whitney Ball**, Organist

**Cindy Click**, Organist

**Steven Craig**, Custodian



## GATHERING

Gathering Song Hymn 80

“I Love You, Lord”

God’s Light Enters

Acolyte

\*Opening Sentences

Bread of Life, we come with minds hungry for truth.

**Water of Life, we come with souls thirsty for forgiveness.**

Spirit of Life, we come with spirits yearning for strength.

**Way of Life, we come with wills searching for direction.**

O Lord, feed us, refresh us, empower us, guide us,

**and send us on our way rejoicing.**

Thanksgiving for Baptism

\*Hymn 97

“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”

Confession and Pardon

**Have mercy on us, O God, in your goodness.**

**In your great tenderness wipe away our faults.**

**Wash us clean of guilt. Purify us from our sin.**

**God, create a clean heart in us and put a new spirit in us.**

**We humbly admit that we need your help.**

**We confess that we have wandered from your way.**

**Have mercy on us. Wipe away our sins and teach us to forgive others.**

(silent confession)

People of God, hear the good news:

When we humbly seek forgiveness, God does not treat us as our sins deserve  
or repay us according to our iniquities. *Psalm 103:10*

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

**Glory to God. Amen.**

\*Responding to God’s Pardon

***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.***

\*Sharing God’s Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

Announcements

## THE WORD

Children’s Message

Anthem

“I Will Arise”

Arr. Shaw/Parker

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture

Genesis 50:15-21 pg. 47

Matthew 18:21-35 pg. 898

Keep these words in your heart. The Lord is our God, the Lord alone.

**Thanks be to God.** *Deuteronomy 6:6*

Sermon

“Have Mercy”

David Brannock

\*Hymn (insert)

“A King Once Told His Servants”

### EXPRESSING OUR FAITH

\*Affirmation of Faith

**We believe in God, who has created and is creating,  
who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new,  
who works in us and others by the Holy Spirit.**

**God calls us to be the church:**

**to celebrate God’s presence,**

**to love and serve others,**

**to seek justice and resist evil,**

**to proclaim Christ as our judge and our hope.**

**In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. Amen.**

Concerns of the Church

Prayers of Intercession

### COMMUNING WITH GOD

Invitation to Offering

Offertory

“There Is a Balm in Gilead”

Arr. Ham

\*Bringing our Gifts to the Altar

*Praise God from whom all blessing flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above ye heav’nly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*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.**

### ENTERING GOD’S WORLD TO SERVE

\*Hymn 529

“O How I Love Jesus”

**\*Blessing and Charge**

The blessing of the one God – Spirit, Son, and Father – be with you now and always.

**Alleluia!** *Ephesians 4:4-6*

Lead a life worthy of your calling, giving glory to God in all things.

**Amen.** *Ephesians 4:1*

**\*God's Light Leads the Way**

\*Postlude

“Adoration”

Arr. Hayes

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## CHURCH CALENDAR

Today	8:15 a.m.	Worship Service – Social Following Service in Fellowship Hall
	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service – Social Following Service in Fellowship Hall
	12:00 p.m.	Garden to Table Luncheon in Fellowship Hall
	6:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	7:30 p.m.	AA Meeting in Community Room
Monday	4:00 p.m.	Yoga in the Fellowship Hall
	7:30 p.m.	AA Meeting in Community Room
Tuesday	12:00 p.m.	Exchange Club meeting in Fellowship Hall
	12:15 p.m.	Bridge Club in Heritage Room
	6:30 p.m.	Al-Anon Meeting in Community Room
Wed.		No Scheduled Activities
Thurs.	7:30 p.m.	AA Meeting in Community Room
Friday	12:00 p.m.	Christian Women meeting in Fellowship Hall
	7:00 p.m.	Fourth Friday Fun Nite in Fellowship Hall
Saturday		No scheduled activities

**Acolyte: The Lampe Family**

**Elder at the Gate: Crystal Johnson**

Next Sunday, Sept. 24

Ushers: John McInturff, Bill Gott, Tim Teague, Andrea Daniels, Bob Zimmerman, Tanya Kuykendall, Kevin Keaton

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