

Greeting and Announcements

Prelude

- **Call to Worship**

The eyes of the Lord are on the righteous;
God's ears are open to their cry.
Let us worship the One who clothes us in strength
and quenches our souls with mercy.

Invocation

- **Sounds of Faith – #402 - How Lovely, Lord**

- **Prayer of Confession**

All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. Let us therefore confess our sin to God.
**O Lord, you are near to the downhearted,
and you save the broken in spirit.**
Be near to us in our brokenness, and love us into wholeness.
**You are near to people who are hurting,
but we keep our distance to avoid hard conversations.**
By your mercy, forgive our sins.
By your grace, free us to try again.
Christ came into this world to save sinners!
Let us have hope, for in the name of Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

- **Congregational Response - #568 - Amen**

Children's Message – Tony Pritchett

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture: Psalm 84:1-4 – Liturgist, Tina O'Connor

*How lovely is your dwelling place,
O LORD of hosts!
My soul longs, indeed it faints
for the courts of the LORD;
my heart and my flesh sing for joy
to the living God.*

*Even the sparrow finds a home,
and the swallow a nest for herself,
where she may lay her young,
at your altars, O LORD of hosts,
my King and my God.
Happy are those who live in your house,
ever singing your praise.
The Word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God.***

Special Music – “The Lord is My Light”, By Frances Allitsen - Paul Roark, Soloist

Scripture: Ephesians 6:10-20

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

*Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.
The Word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God.***

Meditation

- **Sounds of Hope – Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus** (see insert)

- **Affirmation of Faith** (From Ephesians 6:10-12)

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Giving and Offertory

Pastoral Prayer and 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.

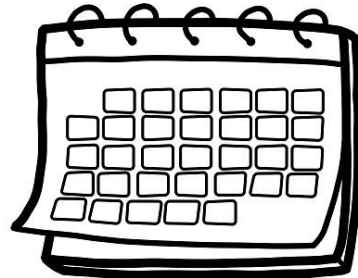
- **Sounds of Love – #269 - Lead On, O King Eternal**

- **Benediction**

Postlude

The (●) dot in the order of worship invites you to stand as you are able. Text in **bold** indicates unison reading.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS



August 25 – New Book Club begins (1:30pm on Zoom). See your Weekly Word for the Zoom link and details. All are invited to join!

September 10-12 – NaCoMe Fall Retreat – Please turn in your forms to Dennis Crumby

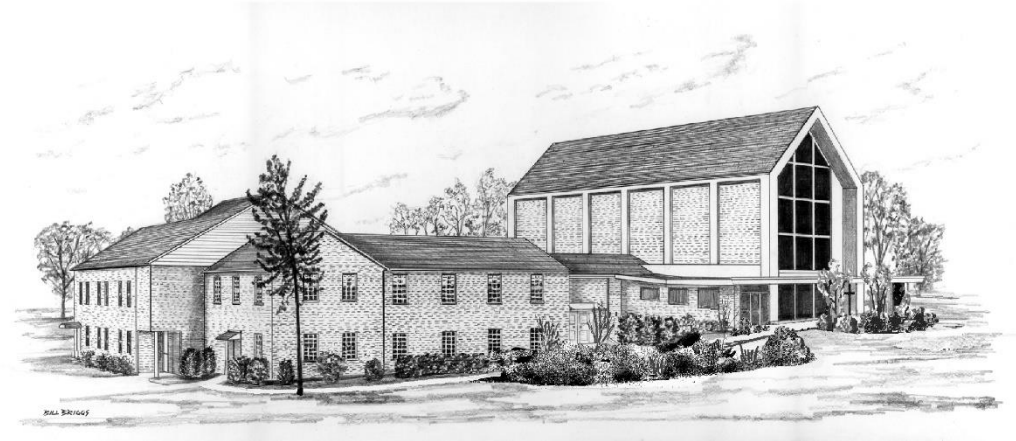
September 14 – Dot New Circle, 10am

September 15 – Logos/Agape Fall Launch

September 19 – Bluegrass Sunday

Donelson Presbyterian Church

Sharing the Love of Christ



We warmly welcome all who have come to worship with us today. If you are a guest at Donelson Presbyterian Church, we encourage you to fill out a yellow visitor card which you will find in the pew.

August 22, 2021
13th Sunday After Pentecost

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