

**Greeting and Announcements**

**Prelude** - Piano Duet - Lillie Smith & Betty Polk, Hymn Medley (Jesus Loves Me, Do Lord, Whisper a Prayer, I've Got the Joy)

• **Call to Worship**

We gather to worship in the presence of God,  
**as if we stood on God's holy hill.**

We gather to worship as children of God,  
**as if we were standing in the waters of grace.**

We gather to worship the living God,  
**for God is here among us.**

**Invocation**

• **Sounds of Faith** – #307 - God of Grace and God of Glory

• **Prayer of Confession**

All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. Let us therefore confess our sin to God.

**You tell us, O Lord, who may abide in your presence:**

**those who do what is right, and who speak the truth from their heart.**

**And yet, O Lord, we do not do what is right.**

**The truth makes us nervous, and we pretend not to know what is right.**

**Have mercy, O God.**

**Convict us by your wisdom, cleanse us by your grace,**

**challenge us by your presence,**

**and, by your forgiveness, 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** – Paul Casner

**Prayer of Illumination**

**Scripture: Song of Solomon 2:8-13** – Liturgist, Sara Drummond

*The voice of my beloved!*

*Look, he comes, leaping upon the mountains, bounding over the hills.*

*My beloved is like a gazelle or a young stag.*

*Look, there he stands behind our wall, gazing in at the windows, looking through the lattice.*

*My beloved speaks and says to me:*

*“Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away;*

*for now the winter is past, the rain is over and gone.*

*The flowers appear on the earth; the time of singing has come,*

*and the voice of the turtledove is heard in our land.*

*The fig tree puts forth its figs, and the vines are in blossom; they give forth fragrance.*

*Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away.*

*The Word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God.***

**Choir Anthem** – It Is Well with My Soul

When peace like a river attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billows roll

Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say it is well, it is well with my soul

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come

Let this blest assurance control that Christ has regarded my helpless estate

And has shed His own blood for my soul

It is well with my soul.

My sin, oh the bliss of this glorious thought

My sin, not in part, but the whole is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

And Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight

The clouds be rolled back as a scroll

The trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend

Even so, it is well with my soul

It is well with my soul.

**Scripture: Mark 7:1-23**

*Now when the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is,*

*without washing them. . . . So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, “Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?”*

*He said to them, “Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written,*

*‘This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me;*

*in vain do they worship me, teaching human precepts as doctrines.’ . . . Then he called the crowd again and said to them, “Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile” . . . For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.” The Word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God.***

#### Meditation

- **Sounds of Hope** – #43 - You Who Dwell In The Shelter of the Lord
- **Affirmation of Faith** (Inspired by Philippians 4:7)  
Let us give our hearts to God, loving others as he has loved us in Christ. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard our hearts and our minds in Christ Jesus. Amen.

#### Giving and Offertory/Special Offering for Waverly

#### 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** – God Be with You 'Til We Meet Again (See insert)
- **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

**September 10-12** – NaCoMe Fall Retreat

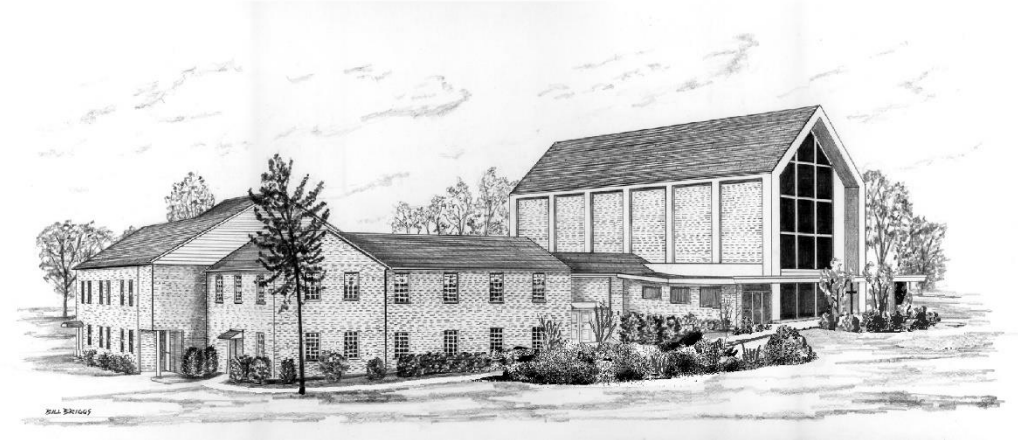
**September 14** – Dot New Circle, 10am

**September 15** – Logos/Agape Fall Launch

**September 26** – Bluegrass Sunday (postponed from the 19<sup>th</sup>)

# 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 29, 2021

### 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost

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