Order of Worship

September 26, 2021 18th Sunday After Pentecost/Bluegrass Sunday

10:15 AM

Greeting and Announcements

Prelude - Rocky Top (Felice and Boudleaux Bryant)

• Call to Worship (from Psalm 146)

Let us worship God, our source of life.

God awakens us from the dust of the earth.

Let us worship God, who gently leads us home.

God is calling us to a life, and a hope, not limited by this world.

Let us worship God with hearts that are glad,

for in God's house there is fullness of joy.

Invocation

• Song – Old Home Place (Dean Webb and Mitchell Jayne)

• Prayer of Confession

Let us bring our heavy burdens to the Lord,

confessing our sins and opening our hearts to God's grace.

You are the God of all people, O Lord, the creator of all things good.

Forgive us when we fail to see the good.

Forgive us when we are unable to believe that we cannot be separated from your love.

Forgive us when we fail to look toward the eternal home that you promise us.

Through Christ our redeemer free us to shift our eyes, and our hearts, toward you.

Sing out the message clear and plain: Christ receives sinful people!

Let us have hope, for in the name of Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture: Isaiah 11:6-9 – Liturgist, Laura Piper

The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid,

the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them.

The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together;

and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.

The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp,

and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den.

They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain;

for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea. The Word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God.**

Song – Back Home Again (John Denver)

Scripture: Luke 14:16-23

Then Jesus said to him, "Someone gave a great dinner and invited many. At the time for the dinner he sent his slave to say to those who had been invited, 'Come; for everything is ready now.' But they all alike began to make excuses. The first said to him, 'I have bought a piece of land, and I must go out and see it; please accept my regrets.' Another said, 'I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I am going to try them out; please accept my regrets.' Another said, 'I have just been married, and therefore I cannot come.' So the slave returned and reported this to his master. Then the owner of the house became angry and said to his slave, 'Go out at once into the streets and lanes of the town and bring in the poor, the crippled, the blind, and the lame.' And the slave said, 'Sir, what you ordered has been done, and there is still room.' Then the master said to the slave, 'Go out into the roads and lanes, and compel people to come in, so that my house may be filled...

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Meditation with Songs - Hills and Home (John Duffey), Suppertime (Ira F. Stanphill), I Don't Belong (Gloria Gaither and Buddy Greene), Old Home Place (Don Reno and Red Smiley)

• Affirmation of Faith (From Isaiah 11:6-9)

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Giving and Offertory – Til They All Came Home (Mike Dekle and Byron Hill)

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.

- Song Longing For Home (Tim Jones)
- Benediction

Postlude/Congregation - I'll Fly Away (Albert E. Brumley)

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

A BIG THANK YOU TO OUR MUSICIANS!!!

Brad Benge - upright bass/vocals

Stin Fox - guitar/vocals

Corrine Logston - fiddle/vocals

Randy Mallory - dobro/mandolin/vocals

Zora Mallory - vocals

Jeremy Stephens - banjo, mandolin/vocals

Betty Polk - bowed psaltery

Tony Pritchett - guitar/vocals



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

<u>September 29</u> – Agape - Allen Arender of Holiday Properties. This is the group redoing Donelson Plaza.

October 12 – Dot New Circle, 10am

October 16 – Presbytery Women's Fall Gathering – details coming soon.

October 21 – Men's Dinner, 5:30pm (place TBD)

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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.

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