Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Lord's Prayer (using "sins" & "those who sin against us")

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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us; lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Words of Institution

Communion (Please come forward to be served.)

Prayer after Communion

Sending

* Hymn, No. 415

Lift High the Cross

CRUCIFER

* Charge and Benediction

* Response

May the Love of the Lord

Choir

* Extinguishing the Candles, taking forth the Light of Christ

* Postlude

At the Cross with The Power of the Cross

arr. by Carol Tornquist

* Congregation will please stand

Bold Congregation will please respond

BRENTHAVEN CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

A welcoming community of Christian disciples seeking to love and serve God and neighbor

March 3, 2024 **†** 10:45 am



The Decalogue begins with the good news of what the liberating God has done and then describes the shape of the freedom that results. If we want to symbolize the presence of the Ten Commandments among us, we would do well to hold a dance. The good news of the God who set people free is the music; the commandments are the dance steps of those who hear it playing. The commandments are not weights, but wings that enable our hearts to catch wind of God's Spirit and to soar.

— Tom Long

Gathering

Time of Reflection Video

* Hymn, No. 262

I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord

ST. THOMAS

* Bringing in the Light of Christ

Welcome and Prayer Concerns

Call to Worship

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

arr. by Lani Smith

Time of Quiet Prayer and Prayer of Blessing

Hymn, No. 404

I Need Thee Every Hour (vs. 5)

NEED

Confession

When we gather to praise God, we remember that we are people who have preferred our wills to God's. So, with that assurance of God's presence, God's steadfast love, and God's overwhelming mercy, let us confess our sins before God and one another.

Time for Silent Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

While it is true that we have sinned, it is a greater truth that we are forgiven through God's love in Jesus Christ.

Thanks be to God.

* Response, No. 705

Glory Be to the Father

GREATOREX

Proclaiming

Children's Time

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading

1 Corinthians 1:18-25 (pg. 1038, Pew Bible)

Gospel

John 2:13-22 (pg. 967, Pew Bible)

Anthem

A Lenten Walk Shali Scott, Handbells

arr. by Hal H. Hopson

Jesus walked this lonesome valley, he had to walk it by himself; oh, nobody else could walk it for him, he had to walk it by himself. We must walk this

lonesome valley, we have to walk it by ourselves; oh, nobody else can walk it for us, we have to walk it by ourselves. Jesus bore the cross of sorrow; he had to bear it by himself; oh, nobody else could bear it for him, he had to bear it by himself. We must take our cross and follow; yes, we must follow by ourselves; oh, nobody else can follow for us, we have to follow by ourselves.

Second Reading

Exodus 20:1-17 (pg. 65, Pew Bible)

Sermon

Covenant: Contracts and Covenants

Rev. Kip J. Rush

Invitation to Discipleship

* Hymn, No. 171

What Wondrous Love Is This

WONDROUS LOVE

* Affirmation of Faith

from Iona Community

We believe in God above us, maker and sustainer of all life, of sun and moon, of water and earth, of male and female.

We believe in God beside us, Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh, born of a woman, servant of the poor, tortured and nailed to a tree.

A man of sorrows, he died forsaken.

He descended into the earth to the place of death.

On the third day he rose from the tomb.

He ascended into heaven to be everywhere present, and his kingdom will come on earth.

We believe in God within us, the Holy Spirit of Pentecostal fire, lifegiving breath of the church, Spirit of healing and forgiveness, source of resurrection and eternal life. Amen.

Responding

Silent Prayers and Prayer of Intercession

Offertory Sentence

Offertory

In the Cross of Christ I Glory

arr. by Eugene McCluskey

* Response, No. 706

Praise God from Whom All Blessings

OLD HUNDREDTH

MARCH 3, 2024

10:45 am Worship Service

Nursery/Wee Worship Care: Betsy Canupp & Childcare Solutions

Youth ROCKS would like to express our sincere appreciation for your incredible support in helping us reach and exceed our mission trip fundraising goal. We raised \$4700 at last week's fundraiser event! Your dedication and hard work have truly made all the difference. Thank you, Brenthaven, for being such amazing partners in our journey!

Wednesday Night Special classes have begun. But there is still time to join us! Supper is at 5:45 pm and our classes start at 6:30 pm. Please see Pastor Sandra or call the church office if you are interested.

You are invited to a **wedding shower** for **Gwendolyn Keiser** and **Preston Trammell** on **Saturday, March 9**th at 2:00 pm at Brenthaven. They are registered at Target, and gift cards are appreciated.

Brenthaven's 2024 Vacation Bible School is coming June 24–27. It's not too early to start planning to be a part of this wonderful ministry to our children. We need volunteers to help with assisting teachers, shepherding the children, decorating, administering first aid, helping in the kitchen, and cleaning up afterwards. Please contact Ms. Cheryl or call the church office if you would like to help.

Reminder... Daylight Saving Time begins next Sunday, so turn clocks forward one hour!

UPCOMING EVENTS

| Sun., Mar. 3 | 9:30 AM 10:45 AM | Sunday School Worship Service |
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| Mon., Mar. 4 | 10:30 AM | Young @ Heart (Adult Library) |
| WED., MAR. 6 | 5:45 PM 7:30 PM | Wednesday Night Special (Fellowship Hall) Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room) |
| THURS., MAR. 7 | 11:00 AM | Creative Crafts (Adult Library) |
| SAT., MAR. 9 | 2:00 PM | Bridal Shower (Narthex) |
| SUN., MAR. 10 | 9:30 AM 10:45 AM 5:00 PM | Sunday School Worship Service Youth ROCKS |

PRAYER CONCERNS

Recent Additions

Forrest Sutton (brother-in-law of Ean Taylor)

Members

Charles & Gladys Belew, Joan Bledsoe, Bill Blewett, Phyllis Burkhalter, Ben Davis, Jane Dowden, Marilyn Ewen, Ollie Faircloth, Fred Ford, Sr., Barbara Gentry, Paul Gonzales, Madge Graves, Tommy Hennesy, Linda Lipe, Barbara Loyall, Dawn & Walter McBee, Cheryl Morris, Jack C. Phillips, Jodi Rush, Guy Sneed, Cheryl Tabor, Don Tabor, Julie Travis

Family and Friends

Pat Allen (mother of Greg T. Allen), Abby Bailey and Family (friend of Jane Dowden), Serenity Barksdale (great-granddaughter of Barbara & Billy Dial), Merritt Brakebill (brother-in-law of Joe Malloy), Becky Brown (friend of Becky Jones), Michelle Burke (daughter of Joyce Burch), Mary Ruth Campbell (step-mother of Barry & Darryl Campbell), Betty Canupp (mother of Betsy Canupp), John Copeland (nephew of Martha Stewart), Steve Crawford (friend of Carol Perryman), Mac Crome (cousin of Miah Faircloth), Johnny Cunningham (friend of Ford family), Kevin Floyd (son of Treva Floyd), Seth Genes (friend of the McCulleys), Ann Ghianni (sister-in-law of Tim Ghianni), Helen James (friend of Julie Travis), Doug Johnson (friend of Shali & Frank Scott), Rex Lineberry (brother of Pat Chesnut), Walter McBee, Jr. (son of Walter McBee, Sr.), Sue McClelland (mother of Rachel Campbell), Martha Malloy (mother of Joe Malloy), Jackie Nash (friend of Julie Travis), Sherry Norton (friend of Deborah Deaton), Ayden Orr (friend of Ollie, Baird and Miah Faircloth), Heather Perillo (daughter of Dawn & Walter McBee), Melissa Pyne (granddaughter of Doris Cantagallo), Yvonne Reid (aunt of Liz Strickland), Elwanda Roberts (cousin of Cheryl Morris), Raymond Roman (friend of Amity Marsh), Rev. Teresa Shauf (CP Minister), Brittany Spradling, Judy Smith (friend of Janiece Redmon), Jim Summitt (uncle of Blair Summitt), James Talley, Garry Todd (friend of Barbara Dial and others), Bill Turner (brother-in-law of Cheryl Tabor), Wilma Wade (sister of Kaye Holland), Philip & Isabel Ward (parents of Heather McDonald), Hayden White (friend of Becky Jones), Iza Wojcik family and father John Kavouklis (friends of Liz Strickland), those serving our country

