



*Church in the Hills, Grandma Moses*

FIRST  
PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH



Twelfth Sunday in  
Ordinary Time  
Sunday, June 19, 2022  
10:30 A.M.

# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

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## THE GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

INTROIT

*There's a New Name Written Down in Glory  
Just a Closer Walk with Thee*  
Men's Chorus

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Brethren, we have met to worship

**And adore the Lord our God.**

Will you pray with all your power, while we try to preach the Word?

**All is vain unless the Spirit of the Holy One comes down.**

Sisters pray and holy manna will be showered all around.

**Let us love our God supremely, let us love each other, too.**

Let us love and pray for sinners, till our God makes all things new.

**Let us pray and holy manna will be showered all around.**

\*HYMN MEDLEY

*What a fellowship, what a joy divine, leaning on the everlasting arms;  
what a blessedness, what a peace is mine, leaning on the everlasting arms.  
Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms;  
leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.*

*I come to the garden alone, while the dew is still on the roses;  
And the voice I hear, falling on my ear, the Son of God discloses.  
And He walks with me, and He talks with me,  
And He tells me I am His own,  
And the joy we share as we tarry there, none other has ever known.*

*On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross, the emblem of suffering and shame;  
and I love that old cross where the dearest and best for a world of lost sinners was slain.  
So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, till my trophies at last I lay down;  
I will cling to the old rugged cross, and exchange it some day for a crown.*

*Standing on the promises of Christ, my King, through eternal ages let his praises ring;  
Glory in the highest, I will shout and sing, Standing on the promises of God.  
Standing, standing, Standing on the promises of God, my Savior;  
Standing, standing, I'm standing on the promises of God.*

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Diane Bowers

May God be with you in worship here.

**May God be with you in worship there.**

*Children may depart the sanctuary with their teacher for our Summer of Sharing program. They will return to the sanctuary before communion.*

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

Will Thompson, Hymn 418

*Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling, calling for you and for me.  
See, on the portals he's waiting and watching, watching for you and for me.  
"Come home. You, who are weary, come home."  
Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling, calling, "O sinner, come home."*

Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Merciful and gracious God, we walk in a way that is not good. We follow our own devices. We ignore your image in ourselves and in our neighbors. Do not turn away from us, O God, but hear our cry for blessing. Lead us out of the tombs we inhabit. Guide us into your light so that we may walk in your way.**  
*Silence is kept.*

SUNG RESPONSE

*Have thine own way, Lord; have thine own way.  
Thou art the potter, I am thy clay.  
Mold me and make me after thy will.  
While I am waiting, yielded and still.*

POURING OF THE BAPTISMAL WATER

Remember your baptism and be thankful!

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

You belong to Christ and are heirs of the promise of freedom. In full assurance of justification by grace through faith, by the authority of God's beloved Son, I declare to you the absolute forgiveness of all your sins. In the name of the blessed Trinity, One God. **Amen.**

\*SUNG RESPONSE

*To God be the glory; great things he has done! So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,  
who yielded his life an atonement for sin, and opened the life-gate that all may go in.  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the earth hear his voice!  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the people rejoice!  
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son, and give him the glory: great things he has done!*

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Since we have been reconciled to God, let us also be reconciled to one another.  
The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. **And also with you.**

\*SUNG RESPONSE (Hymn 623)

*As I went down to the river to pray, studyin' about that good old way,  
and who shall wear the starry crown, good Lord, show me the way.  
Oh, sisters, let's go down, let's go down, come on down.  
Oh, sisters, let's go down, down to the river to pray.*

*Oh, brothers...*

*Oh, children...*

*Oh, sinners...*

## THE WORD

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. **Amen.**

### SUNG RESPONSE

*This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.  
This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.*

### READINGS FROM SCRIPTURE

Psalms 42 & 43                      A song of God's covenant people. **Amen.**

Luke 8:26-39                      The Gospel of the Lord. **May Jesus Christ be praised.**

### SERMON

“When Pigs Fly”

Rev. Matt Curry

### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*Apostles' Creed*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## THE EUCHARIST

### INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

MUSIC FOR THE OFFERING

*I Saw the Light*

Hank Williams

\*THE DOXOLOGY (Hymn 606)

OLD HUNDREDTH

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

#### INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

#### THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise...**

...who forever sing to the glory of your name:

*Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.*

*Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.*

*Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.*

*Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest!*

#### 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.**

#### BREAKING OF THE BREAD & THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

*All who seek God are invited to the table, regardless of church affiliation or any other condition or identity. You may take communion by taking a small piece of bread and dipping it in the cup. Pre-packaged elements are also available in baskets for a contact-free option.*

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*Ps. 103:1-2*

Bless the Lord, O my soul;

**And all that is within me, bless God's holy name.**

Bless the Lord, O my soul;

**And forget not all God's benefits.**

## THE SENDING

\*HYMN

*I'll Fly Away*

*Some glad morning when this life is o'er, I'll fly away;  
To a home on God's celestial shore, I'll fly away.*

**Chorus:**

*I'll fly away, Oh Glory, I'll fly away;  
When I die, hallelujah, by and by, I'll fly away.*

*When the shadows of this life have gone, I'll fly away;  
Like a bird from prison bars has flown, I'll fly away. (Chorus)*

*Just a few more weary days and then, I'll fly away;  
To a land where joy shall never end, I'll fly away. (Chorus)*

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE

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*\*Rise in body or spirit*

## LEADING OUR WORSHIP TODAY

Preacher: *Rev. Matt Curry*

Liturgist: *Janice Odom*

Communion Servers: *Jerry Nail & Brad Smith*

Thank you to all of our musicians for sharing their gifts on this Southern Gospel Sunday!



## The Life of the Church

**The Owensboro LGBTQ+ Pride Picnic** will include a First Presbyterian booth next Sunday at Unity Fellowship, 625 Allen Street, Noon-6pm. Join us and help spread the news that God's love extends to all.

**Encore Musicals' performance of Beauty and the Beast** features many members and friends of our church. On Sunday, July 17, join us for a church outing to the 2pm performance at the Riverpark Center. We will be ordering tickets at the group discount rate. Contact the church office or Debbie McCoy if you would like to attend.

**Hearing Assistance Devices** are available. Please see an usher if you would like to use one.

### Juneteenth Freedom Day



On June 19, 1865, news reached enslaved people in Galveston, Texas that they were free. In later years Juneteenth grew as a celebration throughout Texas and other parts of the United States, with the descendants of slaves recognizing it as their Independence Day. In June 2021, Juneteenth National Independence Day became a federal holiday.

**Our denomination's General Assembly, which convened yesterday, is holding a special worship service this morning in observance of Juneteenth.** Rev. Dr. J. Herbert Nelson, II, Stated Clerk of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) is preaching. The service can be viewed at [facebook.com/SpiritofGA](https://facebook.com/SpiritofGA) or on [ga-pcusa.org](https://ga-pcusa.org).

*The spirit of the Lord God is upon me because the Lord has anointed me;  
he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the brokenhearted,  
to proclaim liberty to the captives and release to the prisoners.*

ISAIAH 61:1