



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH of CHATTANOOGA

The Lord's Day

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2018

Prelude

Instrumental Ensemble
"Amazing Grace" arr. by Tom Payne

Preparing Our Hearts and Minds for Worship

To all who are weary and need rest, to all who thirst and hunger, come without money to be refreshed. To all who mourn and long for comfort, to all who feel worthless and wonder if God cares, to all who fail and desire strength, to all who sin and need a Savior; this church opens wide her doors with a welcome from Jesus Christ, the Defender of the helpless, the Justifier of the inexcusable, the Friend of sinners, our Redeemer, our Lord, and our King.

Instrumental Ensemble, Judy Glass, and Sigrid Luther
*Adult Choir, Instrumental Ensemble

"Sing and Be Not Silent" by Mary McDonald, arr. by Camp Kirkland

†Call to Worship (To be read responsively)

Rev. Tim Tinsley
Psalm 96:1-3

Leader: Oh sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth!

People: Sing to the LORD, bless His name; tell of His salvation from day to day.

Leader: Declare His glory among the nations, His marvelous works among all the peoples!

†Prayer of Adoration

†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.

†Hymns

No. 44 (vv. 1-4)
"How Great Thou Art"
bulletin
"Our Great God"

†Affirmation of Faith (To be read responsively)

Rev. Chris Ehlers
New City Catechism Q&A #51

Leader: Of what advantage to us is Christ's ascension?

People: Christ physically ascended on our behalf, just as He came down to earth physically on our account, and He is now advocating for us in the presence of His Father, preparing a place for us, and also sends us His Spirit.

All: Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one Who died—more than that, Who was raised—Who is at the right hand of God, Who indeed is interceding for us. —Romans 8:34

Hymn

No. 460 (vv. 1-4)
"Amazing Grace"

Confession of Sin (To be read in unison)

Rev. Chris Ehlers
Adapted from a prayer of John Knox

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in Your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.

Private Confession

Prayer of Assurance & for God's People

Offertory

Eleanor Wolfe and Instrumental Ensemble
*Adult Choir, Instrumental Ensemble

"This Is Love" arr. by David Hamilton

Text from John 3:16; Romans 3:23, I John 2:2, 4:10, Ephesians 2:14

For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have eternal life. For God did not send His son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through Him. For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. But God demonstrates His own love for us in this: while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Thanks be to our God. Thanks be to our God through Jesus Christ, our Lord. This is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. For He, Himself, is our peace.

†Greeting of Peace & Dismissal of Children

**Children's church for 4 years old through 1st grade is available during the late worship service in the PreK-K room. Leaders will meet children at the left front doors of the Sanctuary.*

†Doxology

No. 733

†Scripture Reading

Rev. Tim Tinsley
John 7:53-8:11 (pg. 894 in pew Bible)

Sermon

Rev. Tim Tinsley
"Christianity Is a Grace-Based Faith, Not Shame-Based Religion"

†Closing Hymn

No. 460 (vs. 6)
"Amazing Grace"

†The Benediction

Postlude

Judy Glass, Organ
"Final" by Guilmant

†The Congregation will please stand.

*10:55 service

The flowers today are given to the glory of God and in honor of Judy Glass, who has blessed our lives with God's music through the organ. With never a moment of attention drawn to herself, she merely opens her heart to deliver the Message through song. Thank you from all the people you have touched over the years as a true servant of God. (Flowers will be arranged and delivered following the late worship service today by the Precept Bible Study. All volunteers are welcome.)

Announcements are available at the entrances or www.1stPresbyterian.com.

⁵³They went each to his own house,

8 But Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. ²Early in the morning He came again to the temple. All the people came to Him, and He sat down and taught them. ³The scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman who had been caught in adultery, and placing her in the midst ⁴they said to Him, "Teacher, this woman has been caught in the act of adultery. ⁵Now in the Law, Moses commanded us to stone such women. So what do You say?" ⁶This they said to test Him, that they might have some charge to bring against Him. Jesus bent down and wrote with His finger on the ground. ⁷And as they continued to ask Him, He stood up and said to them, "Let him who is without sin among you be the first to throw a stone at her." ⁸And once more He bent down and wrote on the ground. ⁹But when they heard it, they went away one by one, beginning with the older ones, and Jesus was left alone with the woman standing before Him. ¹⁰Jesus stood up and said to her, "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?" ¹¹She said, "No one, Lord." And Jesus said, "Neither do I condemn you; go, and from now on sin no more."

— John 7:53-8:11

Our Great God

Words and Music by
Mac Powell and Fernando Ortega

♩ = 132

VERSE

B \flat Fm Fm⁷ B \flat



1. E - ter - nal_ God, un - chang - ing, mys - te - ri - ous and un - known; Your
(2. Lord,) we are_ weak and frail, _____ help - less in the storm. Sur -
(3. Let) ev - 'ry_ crea - ture in the_ sea and ev - 'ry fly - ing bird, Let



bound - less_ love, un - fail - ing, _____ grace and mer - cy _____ shown. Bright
- round us_ with Your an - gels, _____ hold us in Your _____ arms. Our
ev - 'ry_ moun - tain, ev - 'ry _____ field and val - ley of the _____ earth; Let



ser - a - phim_ in cease - less flight a - round_ Your_ glo - ri - ous throne; They
cold_ and_ ruth - less en - e - my, his pleas - ure_ is_ our harm. Rise
all_ the_ moons_ and all the stars in all_ the_ u - ni - verse Sing



raise their_ voic - es day_ and_ night in praise to You a - lone. Hal - le -
up, O_ Lord, and he_ will_ flee be - fore our sov - reign_ God.
prais - es_ to the liv - ing_ God who rules them by His _____ Word.

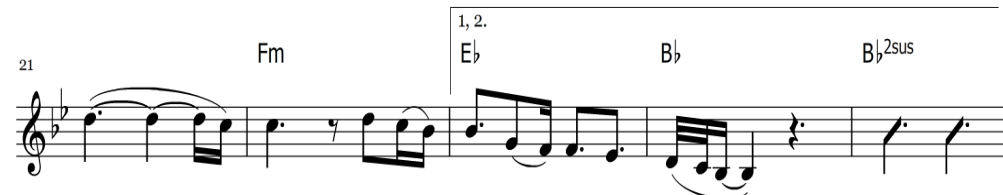
CHORUS

B \flat Fm E \flat B \flat



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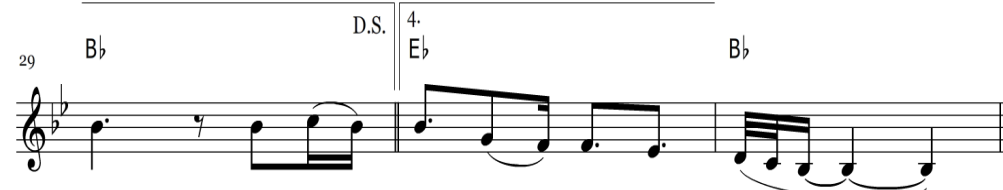
Our Great God - 2



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2. Lord, be to_ our great
3. Let



God! Hal - le - be to_ our great God! _____

Sermon Notes:

This Week at FPCC

Sunday, September 16

8:30 AM	Early Worship Service (<i>Tinsley</i>)	Sanctuary
9:45 AM	Sunday School	
10:55 AM	Fellowship Worship Service (<i>Bowen</i>)	Fellowship Hall
	Late Worship Service (<i>Tinsley</i>)	Sanctuary
12:15 PM	Coffee/Coke Fellowship	Library/Lounge
	Flower Arranging	Nell Davis
	Reception for Judy Glass	Coffee Lounge
6:00 PM	High School Small Group	

Monday, September 24

10:00 AM	Women's Prayer Time	Session Room
3:15 PM	English Conversation Class	Student Center
5:30 PM	Session Meeting	Session Room
6:00 PM	Instrumental Ensemble	Choir Room
	Middle School Small Group	
7:00 PM	Handbell Rehearsal	SS 208

Tuesday, September 25

9:30 AM	Precept Bible Study	Tower 402/3
	Women of the Covenant	Poindexter
9:45 AM	GAP Bible Study	Jr. Department
11:45 PM	Women's Ministry Salad Luncheon	
12:00 PM	Beatitude Living	Tower 404

Wednesday, September 26

3:15 PM	English Conversation Class	Student Center
4:30 PM	Deacon-on-Call Appts.	Deacon Office
	World Missions Prayer Time	Tower 404
5:30 PM	Fellowship Dinner	Fellowship Hall
	<i>Homemade Lasagna (Children's PB&J meal available)</i>	
6:15 PM	Adult Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room
	Children's Ministry	2 nd floor SS
	Midweek	Various
	Rapha Classes	Tower 3 rd Floor
	Youth Group	Student Center

Thursday, September 27

Friday, September 28

8:30 AM	Salvation Army Ministry	
12:00 PM	Card-E-Ology	Tower 10 th Floor

Saturday, September 29

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