



# Cookeville First United Methodist Church

April 26, 2020, 9 a.m.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Rob Wheeler

PRELUDE

*Just A Closer Walk With Thee* (Greer)

Handbell Choir  
Danielle Rains, clarinet

THE CHIMING OF THE HOUR

Handbells

OPENING PRAYER (Abington Worship Annual, 2014)

Katie Ward

HYMN OF PRAISE

*Blessed Assurance*

No. 369

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!  
O what a foretaste of glory divine!  
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,  
Born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

*Refrain* 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.

Perfect submission, perfect delight,  
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight;  
Angels descending bring from above  
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love. *Refrain*

Perfect submission, all is at rest;  
I in my Savior am happy and blest,  
Watching and waiting, looking above,  
Filled with his goodness, lost in his love. *Refrain*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Abington Worship Annual, 2014)

Katie Ward

Merciful God,  
you walk with us, even when we fail to see;  
you call to us, even when we fail to hear;  
you listen to our petitions, even when we fail to speak;  
you whisper words of love, even when we respond with indifference;  
you call us to repentance, even when we don't see the need.  
Forgive us, Holy One. Heal our hardness of heart, that we may turn to you anew.  
Open our minds to your Spirit, that we may hear your words.  
Refresh our souls, that we may speak of your love.  
In the redeemer's name, we pray. Amen

*Open Our Eyes* (Cull)

Maggie Collins

PRAYER CONCERNS

Dr. Kevin Conrad

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

PSALM 116 (arr. Hopson)

Eva Maffett



HYMN

*Leaning On The Everlasting Arms*

No. 133

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.

*Refrain* Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms;  
 Leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.

O how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way,  
 leaning on the everlasting arms;  
 O how bright the path grows from day to day,  
 leaning on the everlasting arms. *Refrain*  
 What have I to dread, what have I to fear,  
 leaning on the everlasting arms.  
 I have blessed peace with my Lord so near,  
 leaning on the everlasting arms. *Refrain*

*Stay With Us* (Brokering/Pelz)

John Clarke Bull

SCRIPTURE

Luke 24: 3

Hunter Rinehart, Ethan Moore, John Luke Green

SERMON *Whose Story is This?*

Dr. Adam Daniels

TIME OF REFLECTION

CLOSING HYMN

*Just A Closer Walk With Thee*

No. 2158

I am weak, but thou art strong;  
Jesus, keep me from all wrong;  
I'll be satisfied as long  
As I walk, let me walk close to thee.

*Refrain* Just a closer walk with thee,  
Grant it, Jesus, is my plea,  
Daily walking close to thee;  
Let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

Through this world of toil and snares,  
If I falter, Lord, who cares?  
Who with me my burden shares?  
None but thee, dear Lord, none but thee.     *Refrain*

When my feeble life is o'er,  
Time for me will be no more;  
Guide me gently, safely o'er  
To thy shore, dear Lord, to thy shore.     *Refrain*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Open My Eyes That I May See*

Handbells

The flowers on the altar are placed in loving memory of Larry Ray Box, Donald L. Box, and Thomas Austin Graham, by Sue Box, James and Laurie Graham.