



Cookeville First United Methodist Church

April 12, 2026

WELCOME

PRELUDE

Crown Him With Many Crowns

Hayes

*THE CHIMING OF THE HOUR

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Come into God's presence with joy.

In God, we have an inheritance that is imperishable.

Come into God's presence with hope.

In Christ, we have an inheritance that cannot be defiled.

Come into God's presence with longing.

In the Spirit, we have an inheritance that never fades.

Come into God's presence with love.

In God, we have an inheritance that brings new life.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

Easter People, Raise Your Voices

No. 304

Easter people, raise your voices,
sounds of heaven in earth should ring.
Christ has brought us heaven's choices;
heavenly music, let it ring.

Alleluia! Alleluia!
Easter people, let us sing.

Fear of death can no more stop us
from our pressing here below.
For our Lord empowered us to
triumph over every foe.

Alleluia! Alleluia!
On to victory now we go.
Every day to us is Easter,
with its resurrection song.
When in trouble move the faster
to our God who rights the wrong.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
See the power of heavenly throngs.

*AFFIRMATION FROM 1 Corinthians 15:1-6 and Colossians 1:15-20

UMH 888

*This is the good news
which we have received,
in which we stand,
and by which we are saved:*

**Christ died for our sins,
was buried,
was raised on the third day,
and appeared first to the women,
then to Peter and the Twelve,
and then to many faithful witnesses.**

**We believe Jesus is the Christ,
the Anointed One of God,
the firstborn of all creation,
the firstborn from the dead,
in whom all things hold together,**

**in whom the fullness of God
was pleased to dwell
by the power of the Spirit.**

**Christ is the head of the body, the church,
and by the blood of the cross
reconciles all things to God. Amen.**

*GLORIA PATRI

No. 71

Glory be to the Father
and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.
as it was in the beginning,
is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.

PRAYER CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

PSALM 16

Protect me, O God for in you I take refuge.

I say to the Lord, "You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you."

As for the holy ones in the land, they are the noble ones in whom is all my delight.

**Those who choose another god multiply their sorrows;
their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out or take their names upon my lips.**

The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot.

The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; I have a goodly heritage.

I bless the Lord, who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me.

I keep the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.

Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices; my body also rests secure.

For you do not give me up to Sheol or let your faithful one see the Pit.

You show me the path of life.

In your presence there is fullness of joy; in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

OFFERTORY

Springtime (Renzema)

Cass Roberts

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

No. 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below:
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power up lifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*HYMN OF PREPARATION

How Firm A Foundation

No. 529

How firm a foundation
ye saints of the Lord,
is laid by your faith
in his excellent word!

for I will be with thee,
thy troubles to bless,
and sanctify to thee
thy deepest distress.

What more can he say
than to you he hath said,
to you who for refuge
to Jesus have fled?

“When through fiery trials
thy pathways shall lie,
my grace, all-sufficient,
shall be thy supply;

“Fear not, I am with thee,
O be not dismayed,
for I am thy God
and will still give thee aid;

the flame shall not hurt thee;
I only design
thy dross to consume,
and thy gold to refine.

I’ll strengthen and help thee,
and cause thee to stand
upheld by my righteous,
omnipotent hand.

“The soul that on Jesus
still leans for repose,
I will not, I will not
desert to its foes;

“When through the deep waters
I call thee to go,
the rivers of woe
shall not thee overflow;

that soul, though all hell
should endeavor to shake,
I’ll never, no, never,
No, never forsake.”

SCRIPTURE

Acts 2:14a; 22-32

This is the word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

By Grace (Roberts)

Youth Choir

SERMON

“Not Abandoned”

Rev. Chip Hunter

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

Spirit Song

No. 347

O let the Son of God enfold you
with his Spirit and his love.
Let him fill your heart and
satisfy your soul.

O come and sing this song with
gladness
as your hearts are filled with joy.
Lift your hands in sweet surrender
to his name.

O let him have the things that hold you,
and his Spirit like a dove
will descend upon your life
and make you whole.

O give him all your tears and sadness;
give him all your years of pain,
and you’ll enter into life
in Jesus name.

Jesus, O Jesus,
come and fill your lambs.
Jesus, O Jesus,
come and fill your lambs.

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*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Christ Hath Burst His Prison!

Martin

Altar Flowers: The altar flowers are given in loving memory of Grady and Zerline Anderson by Gaynell Sachse.

Liturgist: TBD

Acolytes: 8:30 a.m. Margret Boles; 11 a.m. Nathan Kohls

Cross Bearers: TBD

Emergent Prayer List: David Vaughn