

SERMON NOTES:

1. Experience His love (1-2).

2. Receive His cleansing (3-11).

3. Imitate His example (12-17).

4. Continue His mission (16).

This Week at 1st Pres

Sunday, August 6

9:00 AM	Worship Service	Sanctuary
9:15 AM	Children’s Church	Children’s Wing
10:15 AM	Sunday School	Fellowship Hall
11:00 AM	Worship Service	Sanctuary
11:30 AM	Children’s Church	Children’s Wing

Monday, August 7

10:00 AM	Flower Delivery Pick-Up	Connector
	Women’s Prayer Ministry	Session Room

Tuesday, August 8

9:00 AM	TN Valley Presbytery Meeting	Sanctuary
10:00 AM	Summer Women’s Bible Study	Tower 10 <sup>th</sup> Floor
12:00 PM	Beatitude Living	Tower 404

Wednesday, August 9

6:30 AM	Dead Theologians Society	Fellowship Hall
4:30 PM	Deacon-on-Call	Connector
	World Missions Prayer Time	Tower 303

Thursday, August 10

3:15 PM	First Friends English Class	Student Center
7:30 PM	Virtual House of Prayer	Zoom

Friday, August 11

10:15 AM	Support Staff Meeting	
12:00 PM	Card-E-Ology	Tower 8 <sup>th</sup> Floor

*The Sacrament of Baptism takes place on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of a month.*  
*Prayers for Healing will take place on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of a month.*  
*The Sacrament of Communion takes place on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month.*



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to the glory of the Triune God.*

The Lord’s Day  
SUNDAY, AUGUST 6, 2023  
9:00 AM

† *Please stand as you are able.*

THE GATHERING OF GOD’S PEOPLE

PERSONAL WORSHIP REFLECTION

Those whom God loves, He loves to the end,  
and not to their end and their death,  
but to His end,  
and His end is that He might love them more.  
– John Donne

Conscious that we labor under darkness,  
and conscious of our inability to judge what God is doing,  
we should be sparing and modest in our censures of His proceedings . . .  
unlike Peter in the foot washing episode of John 13 (*today’s sermon text*).  
– from Matthew Henry

PERSONAL PRAYER OF PREPARATION

O Lord, You have taught us that without love  
whatever we do is worth nothing.  
Send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts  
Your greatest gift, which is love,  
the true bond of peace and of all virtue,  
without which whoever lives is accounted dead before You.  
Grant this for the sake of Your only Son Jesus Christ,  
Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

THE PRAISE OF GOD’S PEOPLE

†CALL TO WORSHIP

Jeremiah 31:3; Romans 8:38-39 ESV

Pastor: I have loved you with an everlasting love;

People: Therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you.

Pastor: For I am sure that neither death nor life,  
nor angels nor rulers,  
nor things present nor things to come,  
nor powers, nor height nor depth,  
nor anything else in all creation,

People: will be able to separate us  
from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

†PRAYER OF INVOCATION

†THE LORDS 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.

†SONGS OF PRAISE

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Philippians 2:5-11 NASB

Your attitude should be the same  
as that of Christ Jesus:

Who, being in very nature God,  
did not consider equality with God  
something to be grasped,  
but made Himself nothing,  
taking the very nature of a servant,  
being made in human likeness.

And being found in appearance as a man,  
He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to death—  
even death on a cross!

Therefore God exalted Him to the highest place  
and gave Him the name that is above every name,  
that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow,  
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,  
and every tongue acknowledge  
that Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Gracious Father, forgive us for . . .

– our stubborn unwillingness to humbly serve others,  
– our proud refusal to allow You to continually wash us,  
– our tendency to betray our loyalty to You  
by loving other things more than You.

If You are willing, You can make us clean

and transform our lives.

Thank You, Jesus, for living and dying as a humble servant

and loving us to the end, in spite of ourselves.

You love us not to our end and our death,

but to Your end, and Your end is that You might love us more!

For this we thank and praise You in Jesus name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Mark 10:45 ESV

For even the Son of Man came not to be served  
but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many.

†SONG OF ASSURANCE

COMMISSIONING THE HABERKORNS

ANNOUNCEMENTS & OFFERING

GREETING & DISMISSAL TO CHILDREN’S CHURCH

Please check in your children PreK-1st grade at the check-in station by the  
Fellowship Hall level elevator and walk them to the PreK-K dept.

†DOXOLOGY

THE WORD FOR GOD’S PEOPLE

SERMON

John 13:1-17—“Love Stoops to Conquer”  
Rev. Dr. Richard Cain

†SONG OF RESPONSE

THE SENDING OF GOD’S PEOPLE

†BENEDICTION

from Numbers 6:24-26

Pastor: May the LORD bless you and keep you;

May the LORD make His face to shine upon you  
and be gracious to you;

May the LORD lift up His countenance upon you  
and give you peace, both now and forevermore.

People: Thanks be to God! Amen.

The flowers today are given to the glory of God and in honor of  
those who serve in the Flower Ministry.

The flowers will be arranged by the Flower Committee and delivered by  
volunteers to ourhomebound and hospitalized on Monday, August 7<sup>th</sup>.

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