



ERIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

FEBRUARY 1, 2026

ORDINARY 3

HOMEBOUND

Please send a card (or visit) our homebound family and friends.
Connection is a necessity for good health.

Harry and Mary Franz 1337 Farrington Dr. Knoxville, TN 37923

Suzanne Levering Lyons View H&R Rm #316 5837 Lyons View Pike 37919

Bill Brazelton NHC Farragut 120 Cavette Hill Ln. #340 Farragut, TN 37934

OUR CONGREGATION

Randy Sarles

Joy Catron

The Lambs

Harter & Hayden Crisp

Don Quinley

The Leckies

Suzanne Levering

Tammy Murphy

Gabby Denny

Harry and Mary Franz

FRIENDS AND FAMILY OF OUR CONGREGATION

Ernie Eggers (brother of David Eggers)

Linda McCune (sister of Cynthia House)

Delaney Nicaud (member of J7)

Mary Bryan (Daughter of Allyson Streckfuss)

Amelia Brooke (our Nursery Worker)

Seth Turnbow (son of Cynthia and John House)

Brian Leckie (son of Dave and Sara Leckie)

Neal Campbell (father of April Cyr)

Noel Marcus (niece of April Cyr)

Michelle (cousin of Kelli Canan-Denny)

COLLEGE STUDENTS

Ella Levering

Kenleigh Pennington

Hallie Fellers

Effie Fellers

Kathryn Bornhoeft

Anna Bornhoeft

Amelia Brooke

MILITARY

Zach and Noah Enix (Nicole Waters)

email admin@erinpresbyterian.org to add or remove a name.



“HARMONY & DIVERSITY”

Rev. Joseph W. Taber IV, Pastor

April Cyr: Office Administrator

Joy Bornhoeft: Family Ministry Dir.

Joseph Jaynes: Choir Director & AV

Nancy Berry: Organist

Chloe Levering: Youth Director

Amelia Brooke: Nursery

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1

9:30am Sunday School
11am Worship Service
12pm Youth Group
7pm AA Book Study

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2

7:30pm Men's AA

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3

6:30pm Lamson Funeral

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4

6:20pm Sonshine
6:20pm Journey 7
6:30pm Handbells
7:30pm Choir

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6

8pm AA

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7

9am Men's Breakfast
1pm Sonshine Rehearsal

 Erin Presbyterian
Church Community

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 Erin Presbyterian Church

OFFICE HOURS

9am to 3pm Mon-Thurs
Work from home Friday,
available by phone:
865-588-5350

FLOWERS

Today's flowers are shared
in loving memory of my brother,
Joseph D. Leggette Jr.
who recently passed away.

- Janice James

DEAR VISITORS

We're so happy you're here with
us! We offer a Nursery if you need
one. Ask an usher, or follow the
signs, to find it. Use the blue card
in the pew to share your contact
info and any prayer concerns. It
would be an honor to get to know
you and pray for you. Just place
the blue card in the offering plate.

PASTORAL CARE

If you have an emergency,
call Pastor Joseph at
828-443-4757
You can email him at:
pastor@erinpresbyterian.org

WE LIVESTREAM OUR SERVICE

If you're new to Erin Church, we
want to make sure you know that
we livestream our Sunday morning
service, along with others at times.
If you want to be out of view,
please ask an usher to help you
find a good spot to sit.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Matthew's gospel names Jesus "Emmanuel, which means,
God-with-us." The word "compassion" comes from a middle
English word meaning "shared suffering." How does Jesus
share in our suffering? How can we, as followers of Jesus
Christ, share in the suffering of others?

MONDAY Ephesians 4:1-16

TUESDAY Isaiah 49:13-18

WEDNESDAY Job 2:11-13

THURSDAY Luke 10:25-37

FRIDAY Micah 7:14-20

SATURDAY Matthew 9:35-38

SUNDAY Colossians 3:12-17

SUNDAY VOLUNTEERS

	FEBRUARY 1	FEBRUARY 8	FEBRUARY 15
COFFEE	Pat Wallin	Mary Nelle Cate	Suzanne L.
BELL	Lucas Barber	Eliza Barber	William Taber
GREETERS	Kelli and Tony Denny	Pat Wallin Sara Leckie	Kathy Boyd Jim Montgomery
GUIDE	Eliza Barber	Erin McCallum	Stacie Armsworth
READER	Neill Murphy	Rickey McCallum	Betty Gibbs
USHERS	Jim Montgomery Brooks Eggers David Eggers	Mike Cate Erin McCallum Linda Quinley	Dusty, Kim, and Gary Pennington
COUNTERS	Neill Murphy Andy Sarles	Craig Strand Rickey McCallum	Ann Snodgrass David Eggers
LIGHTS	Tammy Murphy	Stacie Armsworth	Neill Murphy
SOUND	Kevin Griffin	Kevin Griffin	Tammy Murphy
STREAM	Rose Armsworth	Rose Armsworth	Phil Watkins
SLIDES	Stacie Armsworth	Anna McKay	-

***DEDICATION** (unison)

We bring this offering as a small token of our thankfulness and to be obedient to you. Please bless this offering and employ it to show the greatness of your providential care and mercy. It is in the name of Jesus Christ, our King, we pray and give. Amen.

COMMUNION (see insert)

***CLOSING HYMN** #322 "We Are One in Christ Jesus"

***BENEDICTION** Pastor Joseph

For the benediction, please turn toward the center aisle and face one another as we prepare to go out into the world.

***DOXOLOGY** (in unison) #606

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

POSTLUDE "Toccata on 'Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow'"
Michael Burkhardt

ERIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH VISION STATEMENT

**Unified in Christ, we actively seek to create
harmony in a diverse community through
compassion, mutual respect, and love.**



Erin Presbyterian Church Service of Worship



*those able, please stand. Prayers written by Don Quinley.

**congregation reads aloud verses in bold italics.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE "Meditation on the Tune Christe Sanctorum" R. Wagner

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Come before the God of all creation and rejoice in his righteousness.

People: For the Lord is God, indeed.

Pastor: Without our aid, he made us and took us for his sheep.

People: He has invited us into his courts to sing his praises.

Pastor: Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.

People: His truths from age to age shall firmly stand and his mercy is forever sure.

***HYMN** #401 "Here in This Place"

PRAYERS OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

Guide: Our Lord and God, we humbly come before you to proclaim that you are the Almighty God of the universe. You have created us and it is your pleasure that we should praise and enjoy you forever.

People: Father, hear the chorus of our voices in praise to you. Your righteousness is too wonderful for us to comprehend. Your love and mercy too marvelous for us to imagine.

Guide: In that lack of our abilities, you call us to confess and repent of our sin.

People: Lord, you are a righteous God. Hear us as we confess our many sins and help us to repent from them.

- Silent Confessions -

Guide: We pray for your forgiveness and ask you to teach us to forgive others. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

PROMISE OF THE GOSPEL

Guide: For all who are seeking the grace of God, draw near and know that we are redeemed by the blood of the sacrificial lamb, Jesus Christ, our Savior. By him our sins are forgiven. Amen.

***CHORAL RESPONSE (in unison)**

#582 "Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me"

ANTHEM "Communion Hymn" Kellermeyer

FAMILY SERMON Pastor Joseph

(Parents and all children, including elementary school students, come forward)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Reader: God of Wisdom, silence our busy minds and critical spirits. Allow the text to speak the message each one most needs to hear. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

PSALM 133

1 Look at how good and pleasing it is when families live together as one!

2 It is like expensive oil poured over the head, running down onto the beard - Aaron's beard! - which extended over the collar of his robes.

3 It is like the dew on Mount Hermon streaming down onto the mountains of Zion,

Because it is there that the Lord has commanded the blessing: everlasting life.

All: This is the Word of the Lord. Amen.

MATTHEW 28:16-20

16 Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus told them to go.

17 When they saw him, they worshipped him, but some doubted.

18-19 Jesus came near and spoke to them, "I've received all authority in heaven and on earth. Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,

20 teaching them to obey everything that I've commanded you. Look, I myself will be with you every day until the end of this present age."

All: Thanks be to God. Amen.

SERMON "Harmony & Diversity" Pastor Joseph

***HYMN** #770 "I'm Gonna Eat at the Welcome Table"

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Our Affirmation of Faith this Sunday comes from "The Confession of Belhar" which was written in Apartheid-era South Africa. It affirms that God calls people from across the entire human family to be united under Christ, and that racial separation has no place within the Church. It calls for unity, reconciliation, and justice as expressions of holiness and transformation in Christ's image.

Excerpt from the Confession of Belhar

Pastor: We believe in the triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, who gathers, protects and cares for the church through Word and Spirit.

People: We believe in one holy, universal Christian church, the communion of saints called from the entire human family.

Pastor: We believe that unity is both a gift and an obligation for the church of Jesus Christ.

People: Through the working of God's Spirit, unity is a binding force.

Pastor: Unity is also simultaneously a reality which must be earnestly pursued and sought.

People: We believe that this unity can be established only in freedom and not under constraint.

Pastor: The variety of spiritual gifts, opportunities, backgrounds, convictions, as well as the various languages and cultures, are by virtue of the reconciliation in Christ, opportunities for mutual service and enrichment within the one visible people of God.

All: Jesus is Lord. To the one and only God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be the honor and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

OFFERTORY "Alleluia! Sing to Jesus" Paul Manz

***OFFERING (in unison)** "God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending"
God, Whose giving knows no ending, from Your rich and endless store, Nature's wonder, Jesus' wisdom, Costly cross, grave's shattered door: Open wide our hands in sharing, as we heed Christ's ageless call, Healing, teaching, and reclaiming, serving You by loving all.