## Celebration of Eternal Life for Rev. Dr. James David Hester Sunday, August 3, 2014, 3:00 P. M.

Pre-Service Music Selected Hymns

Prelude

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

arr. R. Hughes

Lighting of the Candles

Chimes

Welcome

+Call to Worship Choir

"Only God" Mary McDonald

Prayer

+Hymn

"To God Be the Glory"

No. 56

Scripture Readings

Meditation

"We Have a Room"

John 11:25-26 and John 14:1-6
Pastor Mike Wilkinson

+Affirmation of Faith (in unison)

We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus; and we know that in everything God works for good with those who love him, who are called according to his purpose. We are sure that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Anthem

"His Grace Will Lead Us Through"

Mary McDonald

+Please stand, if able

Scripture Readings Romans 10:11-15 and 1Corinthians 15:12-20 Meditation "How Can They Believe?" Rev. Dr. J. Earheart-Brown

Anthem

"Lead Me On" Mary McDonald

+Hymn

"Blessed Assurance"

No. 572

+Benediction

+Postlude

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

arr. D. Hustad

+Please stand, if able

## **PARTICIPANTS**

Clergy: Rev. Dr. Daniel J. Earheart-Brown

(President, Memphis Theological Seminary)

Rev. Mike Wilkinson

(Pastor, Knoxville First Cumberland Presbyterian Church)

Choral Director: Karen Ware

Organist: Sam Ware

Pianist: Eugene McCammon

Pallbearers: Matt Bonfield Connor Hester

Nathaniel Hester Robert Hester

Jon Huether Kevin Pipkin

Joshua Rech Justin Rech

## INVITATION TO FAMILY AND OUT-OF-TOWN GUESTS

All family and out-of-town guests are invited to return to the church following the graveside service for a fellowship meal prepared by the loving church family of J. David Hester.

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free. I'm following the path God has laid you see. I took his hand when I heard him call, I turned my back and left it all. I could not stay another day, To laugh, to love, to work or play. Tasks left undone must stay that way. I found that peace at the close of the day. If my parting has left a void, Then fill it with remembered joys. A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss. Oh yes, these things I too will miss. Be not burdened with times of sorrow. I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow. My life's been full, I savored much. Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch. Perhaps my time seemed all too brief. Don't lengthen it now with undue grief. Lift up your hearts and peace to thee. God wanted me now; He set me free!

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