2nd Sunday after Epiphany

January 16th, 2022 11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE Sleepers Awake the Night is Calling I. S. Bach

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

INTROIT

†CALL TO WORSHIP from Matthew 5

One: May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

Blessed are the poor in spirit, One:

for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who hunger for justice, One:

for they will be filled. All:

Blessed are the pure in heart, One: for they will see God. All:

Blessed are the peacemakers, One:

All: for they will be called children of God.

One: Blessed are we when we gather to hear God's Word,

for we will be nurtured and sustained. All:

†HYMN OF PRAISE O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing #610, vv. 1-4

†Prayer of Confession

O God, you are steadfast in your love and presence. You bless and honor all who are suffering. We are eager to identify with them, but we are slow to recognize the poor, the meek, and the empty all around us. We are hesitant to be merciful. We struggle to be pure in heart. We forget to be peacemakers. Forgive us. Have mercy on us, O God. Put a new and right spirit within us. Help us to honor and bless all you have created, including one another.

(Time for silent confession)

Amen.

\PhiAssurance of God's Love

from Matthew 5

One: Rejoice and be glad!

Blessed are we because we have been made holy in Christ!

Rejoice and be glad!

The kingdom of God has been given to us! All: One: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

All: Thanks be to God!

PRESPONSE

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing #610, v. 5

To God all glory, praise, and love be now and ever given By saints below and saints above, the church in earth and heaven

PPASSING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

†THOSE WHO ARE ABLE PLEASE STAND

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING & INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, power, and glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

HEBREW BIBLE READING

Psalm 51

p. 520 OT

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM Blessed Are You Craig Courtney

Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth Blessed are they that hunger and thirst after righteousness for they shall be filled

Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God Blessed are the makers of peace: for they shall be called the children of God Blessed are they who are persecuted for righteousness: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven

> Blessed are you when people revile and persecute you and speak evil against you, for my sake Rejoice, be glad: for great is your reward in heaven For so they persecuted the prophets which were before you Blessed are you, blessed are you

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Matthew 5:1-12

p. 4 NT

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

Colleen Earp

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

TIME FOR REFLECTION

Interlude

A. Guilmant

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from The Confession of 1967

God's sovereign love is a mystery beyond the reach of the human mind. Human thought ascribes to God superlatives of power, wisdom, and goodness. But God reveals divine love in Jesus Christ by showing power in the form of a servant, wisdom in the folly of the cross, and goodness in receiving sinful men and women. The power of God's love in Christ to transform the world discloses that the Redeemer is the Lord and Creator who made all things to serve the purpose of God's love.

†HYMN OF SENDING

Blest Are They

#172

J. Ireland

†BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

†POSTLUDE Intrada

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Tim Reynolds - Pastor Sarah Morgan – Pastor Dana Hendrix – Liturgist Matthew Mimbs - Director of Music & Arts Justin Brueggeman – Guest Organist 2nd Presbyterian Chancel Choir

Technicians: Matt Casey, Dale Henley (video), Paul Sexauer (audio)

WORSHIP & CELEBRATION

UPCOMING SERMON TEXTS AND TOPICS: We are currently following the Revised Common Lectionary, Year C.

Jan 16	Matthew 5:1-12	The Beatitudes
Jan 23	Neh. 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10	Ezra Reads the Book of the Law
Jan 30	Luke4:1-13	The Temptations of Jesus
Feb 6	1 Cor 15:1-11	God's Grace

THE FLOWERS THIS WEEK were given to the glory of God.

OUR GUEST PREACHER THIS MORNING is Rev. Colleen Earp. Colleen is the Director of Programs at Massanetta Springs Camp and Conference Center. She has served as a Young Adult Volunteer in the PCUSA, completed a yearlong chaplain residency at UVA Medical Center, and has taught courses in environmental geography. Colleen is passionate about creation care, including people, and finds being in community with nature and one another in a place apart to be the perfect setting to practice loving neighbors and enemies alike.

OUR GUEST ORGANIST THIS MORNING is Justin Brueggeman. Justin is a senior majoring in Biochemistry and minoring in organ performance at UT Knoxville. As an organist, Justin has performed throughout the United States as well as England and Romania. After college, Justin is planning on completing a research fellowship at the National Institutes of Health in Washington, DC.

WE ARE CURRENTLY IN PHASE RED: During Phase Red our worship is essentially a virtual service that allows people to attend in-person. Those leading worship this morning will be interacting with the congregation at home through the cameras. Your view may be limited due to the placement of the cameras. If you are present in-person this morning we ask that you please observe the following protocols:

- Face covering required at all times
 - Please remain in the sanctuary at all times
 - Please maintain an appropriate physical distance from people in other households at all times
- Please refrain from singing during the hymns
- You are welcome to join in the spoken liturgy as printed in the bulletin (the sanctuary screen will not be active)
- There will be no offering during the service but offering plates are at the entrances to the sanctuary, should you wish to make a donation
- Please exit the sanctuary immediately at the end of the service; pastors will not be present to greet people at the doors

COVID PHASE RED: During Covid Phase Red all activities in the building are either cancelled or moved to virtual. (Determinations are made by facilitators of each individual group.) The church building is closed to all groups and in-person traffic. except for the staff and the preschool.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME VISITORS!

We are excited to have you with us today and hope you feel at home! We are honored you are here and pray you will feel God's presence in this place. If you do not have a church home, we would love for you to be a part of 2nd Pres. Due to being in Covid Phase Red this morning's service is a bit different. Please see the announcement on the inside of this page for the proper protocols. There is no nursery available during Covid Phase Red, but children are welcome in worship. **Children's Worship Bags** are available in the Narthex. **Hearing Devices** are available, if needed.

DISCIPLESHIP

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY: Kathy Duggan is leading an informal discussion of the Gospel of Mark in January and February. During Covid Phase Red the discussion is held on Zoom. A link is sent out on Wednesday mornings. If you are not our email distribution list and would like to be added, please email ajohnson@2ndpres.org. The study will begin at 6:30, but you are welcome to log on earlier for virtual fellowship.

THE FAITH SCIENCE & THE FUTURE SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS will be meeting *via phone conference only* at 9:45 a.m. Phone number to join: 712-775-8972. Conference code: 179021.

UPPER ROOM DEVOTIONAL. Pick up your copy of the January-February *Upper Room* Devotional at the narthex entrance to the sanctuary.

FELLOWSHIP & CONGREGATIONAL CARE

COMPASSIONATE CUISINE meals for the homebound: If you are interested in joining a cooking team to prepare meals for some of our homebound members, please contact Leslie Matthews at flowlilly @gmail.com or 865.765.0549.

STEWARDSHIP

OFFERING PLATES are at the entrances/exits to the sanctuary. Please remember to offer your gift of thanksgiving as you enter or leave.

THE FEBRUARY SECOND EDITION DEADLINE IS THURSDAY, JANUARY 20TH! Please email or call Audrey (ajohnson@2ndpres.org or 865.523.2189) with your submissions!

2021 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS were emailed and/or mailed via First Class Mail this week. If you do not receive one, or if you have questions about your statement, please contact Audrey in the church office (ajohnson@2ndpres.org or 865.523.2189).

THIS WEEK IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Sunday, January 16th

9:45 a.m. Faith, Science, & the Future Class (Phone Conference)

11:00 a.m. Worship

Monday, January 17th

Church Office Closed

12:00 p.m. Preschool Board (Zoom)

Tuesday, January 18th

10:00 a.m. Organ Search Committee (Zoom)

6:00 p.m. Session Meeting (Zoom)

Wednesday, January 19th

2:00 p.m. Compassionate Cuisine (Gym)6:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Bible Study (Zoom)

Sunday, January 23rd

9:45 a.m. Faith, Science, & the Future Class (Phone Conference)

11:00 a.m. Worship

PRAYER CONCERNS

Leilla White, the Gill family, Beth & Daniel Robertson, Pam Maples, Frances Johnson, and Peter Douglas Hamilton.

*Please notify the office if you are sick, in the hospital, or have a prayer request.

Names remain on the prayer list 4 weeks unless requested to keep them on longer.

SECOND PRESBYTERIAN STAFF

Ministers: Members & Friends of the Congregation Teaching Elder: Tim Reynolds treynolds@2ndpres.org Teaching Elder: Sarah Morgan smorgan@2ndpres.org mmimbs@2ndpres.org **Director of Music & Arts:** Matthew Mimbs hgrimm@2ndpres.org Children's Ministries: Holly Grimm **Preschool Director:** Linda Sue Byrd lsbyrd@2ndpres.org **Church Administrator:** Audrey Johnson ajohnson@2ndpres.org moxcar@eatel.net Pastor Emeritus: Dr. Ed Carver

Check out our blog: 2ndpresknox.blogspot.com

WI-FI NETWORK: Our Wi-fi network is for use by anyone who visits the building. The network is "Second Presbyterian Church", and the password is *Psalm100*.

THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED TOMORROW, MONDAY JANUARY 17TH for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.



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