

3^d Sunday after Epiphany

January 22nd, 2023

10:30 a.m.

PRELUDE

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart

Arr. Mueller

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

INTROIT

✠CALL TO WORSHIP

based on Matthew 5

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

All: And also with you.

One: Blessed are those who feel hopeless and those who are grieving.

All: For they will find comfort in the Lord.

One: Blessed are those who are humble and those who seek justice.

All: For they will find shelter in the Lord.

One: Blessed are those who extend mercy and those who love peace.

All: For they will find a home in the Lord.

One: Let us worship the Lord.

✠HYMN OF PRAISE

Gather Us In

#401, vv. 1,2,4

✠PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of righteousness, you call us to be the salt of the earth – a light for the world. You call us blessed that we might be a blessing to others. But we have lost our saltiness; we are prone to sit in darkness. We fail to share with others a taste of the grace we receive from you, and we neglect to share your light with the world. Forgive us, we pray. Restore our saltiness and refresh your light within us that others may know you through us. In Christ’s name we pray. Amen.

✠ASSURANCE OF GOD’S LOVE

One: Sisters and brothers, our sins are forgiven in Jesus Christ,

All: who chose love over hatred and forgiveness over blame.

One: Rejoice and be glad, for God’s mercy is great;

All: Jesus brings healing, justice, and peace.

✠RESPONSE

Gather Us In

#401

Praises we sing to God our Father, praises we sing to God the Son

Praises we sing to God the Spirit, God ever Three and God ever One

As God was then, God shall be forever

As God is now, he forever shall be

Lord of forgiveness, Giver of mercy, Light of the world throughout eternity

✠PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please sign the Registration Pad found at the end of the row and pass it along.

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

All children are invited to come forward for the Time for Young Disciples.

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.

✠HYMN OF PREPARATION

O Word of God Incarnate

#459

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

HEBREW BIBLE READING

Psalm 1:1-3

p. 489 OT

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Blessed Are You

Craig Courtney

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Matthew 5:1-20

p. 4 NT

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

Tim Reynolds

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

OFFERING OUR LIVES TO GOD

Offertory

Make Me a Channel of Blessing

Arr. Smyth

✠Response

Great God of Every Blessing

#694, v. 1

✠Prayer of Dedication

✠AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from The Westminster Confession of Faith

In the fullness of his wisdom, righteousness, and grace, God often allows his own children to be tempted in various ways and for a time to pursue the corruption of our own hearts. God does this to chastise us for our previous sins and to reveal to us the hidden strength of corruption and deceitfulness in our hearts, so that we may be humbled. In addition to various other just and holy results, we are thereby raised to a closer and more constant dependence on God for our support and are also made more alert in detecting and resisting opportunities to sin.

✠HYMN OF SENDING

Blest Are They

#172, vv. 1,3,4

✠BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

✠POSTLUDE

To God Be the Glory

Arr. Innes

✠PLEASE STAND IN BODY OR IN SPIRIT, AS YOU ARE ABLE

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Tim Reynolds – Pastor

Sarah Morgan – Pastor

Helen Grant – Liturgist

Matthew Mimbs – Director of Music & Arts

John Lasater – Organist

2nd Presbyterian Chancel Choir

Ushers: Cleston Jones, Tim Wright, Bruce and Betsy Foster
Technicians: Elizabeth Seastrunk (video) and Paul Sexauer (audio)

WORSHIP

UPCOMING SERMON TEXTS AND TOPICS: We are currently following the Narrative Lectionary, Year 1.

Jan. 22	Matthew 5:1-20	The Beatitudes
Jan. 29	Matthew 6:7-21	Treasure in Heaven
Feb. 5	Matthew 7:1-14, 24-29	The Golden Rule
Feb. 12	Matthew 13:24-43	Wheat and Weeds

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

5th SUNDAY WORSHIP IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL: NEXT SUNDAY, we will worship in the Fellowship Hall instead of the Sanctuary. Worship on the 5th Sunday of the month Sundays is a little less formal and gives us an opportunity to be together in a different way than usual.

SERMON NOTES

The Beatitudes

They tell us who God _____.

They are words of _____ and _____.

They describe the _____ of God’s _____.

They tell us that those who are _____ by this world are not _____ by _____.

Happy are the _____.

We are currently in Covid Phase GREEN. There are no Covid precautions.

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 the 2nd Pres. Please let us know a bit about you by completing a Visitor's Card or by filling out your information in the Friendship Register. Children are welcome in worship. There is a **family worship area** down the front. There is also a "crying room" next door in the Library where the service is live-streamed. **Children's Worship Bags** are available in the Narthex. A **nursery is available** for infants and children through age 6. **Hearing Devices** are available if needed.

CONNECT

PLEASE JOIN US FOR COFFEE AND FELLOWSHIP in the Mary Chambers Room at the front left of the sanctuary following worship this morning.

SECOND READERS will meet February 8 at 11:30 at the Buckingham Clubhouse. Our book this month is "The Ninth Hour" by Alice McDermott and Margaret Sullivan will lead the discussion. Join us at 11:30, bring your lunch and share your thoughts on this book. All are welcome to join the group. Questions, call Margaret Sullivan at 865-363-3967.

THE PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S GROUP will meet next Tuesday, Feb. 14, from 10-11:30 a.m. We will have representatives from the Emerald Youth Foundation sharing about their organization and how they serve the youth within the inner city. Also, we will continue with our bible study. All are welcome!

GROW

THE FAITH SCIENCE & THE FUTURE SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS meets in the Barbour Room at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday. This class studies current events through the lens of faith using a weekly curriculum called *The Wired Word*.

PRESBYTERY BIBLE STUDY ON GENESIS: This January and February, the Presbytery of East Tennessee is hosting a virtual/in-person Bible study of Genesis. Each week, participants will gather in person at 3:00 p.m. at a Presbyterian Church near them. (2nd Pres is one of the hosts.) Rev. Dr. Wendy Neff will lead the study from a different location each week. Participants may also join via Zoom from home each week. The remaining dates are January 22, 29, February 5, and 12.

STUDY GROUP ON POVERTY: You are invited to join Kathy Duggan, Angela Jones, and Janis Smith on Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m. in the church Library as we take pragmatic first steps to end poverty in America. We will base our work on the book *Evicted* by Harvard socio-economist Matthew Desmond. Although we will read and discuss the book first, this is not a book study but a call to action. Contact Kathy at kduggan55@gmail.com for more information.

THIS WEEK IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Sunday, January 22nd

- 9:30 a.m. Faith, Science & The Future Class (Barbour Room)
- 10:30 a.m. Worship
- 11:30 a.m. Fellowship (Mary Chambers Room)
- 3:00 p.m. Bible Study on Genesis (Mary Chambers Room)

Tuesday, January 24th

- 9:00 a.m. Fish Pantry (Fellowship Hall)
- 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts (Scout Room & Gym)

Wednesday, January 25th

- 7:00 a.m. Evict Book Study/Call to Action (Library)

Friday, January 27th

- 10:00 a.m. Arts & Crafts (Room 227)

Sunday, January 29th

- 9:30 a.m. Faith, Science & The Future Class (Barbour Room)
- 10:30 a.m. Worship
- 11:30 a.m. Fellowship (Mary Chambers Room)
- 3:00 p.m. Bible Study on Genesis (Mary Chambers Room)



PRAYER CONCERNS

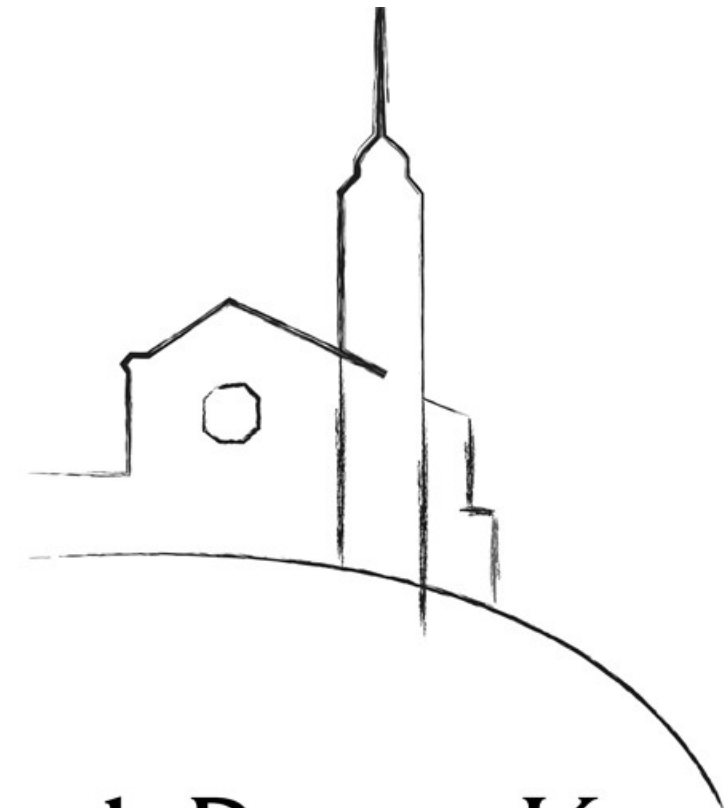
The Family of Harriet Campbell, Leilla White, Kennedy Wilson, Jerry Young, Arlys Milligan, Beverli White, and Peter Douglas Hamilton.

*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.

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we are a welcoming, faithful, and hopeful community,
following Jesus and serving him in the world.*

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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 *Psalms100*.