

3rd Sunday after Epiphany

January 23rd, 2022

11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE

Keep Us Lord Faithful to thy Word

D. Buxtehude

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

INTROIT

✠ CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 19 & Nehemiah 8

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

All: And also with you.

One: The heavens are declaring God's glory; the sky is proclaiming God's handiwork.

All: Their sound extends throughout the world; their words reach the ends of the earth.

One: May the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be pleasing to God.

All: For the Lord is our Rock and Redeemer.

One: In singing and in silence, in Word and in prayer, let us worship the Lord, our God.

All: For this day is holy to our Lord.

✠ HYMN OF PRAISE

Come Sing, O Church, In Joy!

#305 v. 1-3

✠ PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, your joy is our strength, but we confess that we have wandered from your joy. We follow paths of self-indulgence, instead of focusing on our need of you. We passively accept the suffering of the world, expecting others to stand up and work for the change we would like to see. Lord, in your strength, renew us and compel us by your invitation, that we may work to pursue your justice and mercy for all people, sharing your joy in ways great and small. Amen.

✠ ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

One: The God of mercy, the Lord of strength, forgives all our sins.

All: May God's Holy Spirit keep us in joy and new life.

✠ RESPONSE

Come Sing, O Church, In Joy!

#305 v.4

Come sing, O church, in joy! Come join, O church, in song!

For Christ the Lord has triumphed o'er the ages long!

In bold accord, come celebrate the journey now and praise the Lord!

✠ PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

NEW TESTAMENT READING

1 Corinthians 12:12-31

p. 174 NT

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Canticle of Hope

Joseph M. Martin.

Lord, you are God, perfect in holiness.

Lord, you are God of the needy and the poor.

A sure defender, you are our refuge. You are the Giver.

You are Jehovah. You are the God who restores.

Lord, you are God, reigning in righteousness.

Lord, you are God in the time of our distress.

We call on you, our sure salvation. Lord, you are faithful.

You are the God who restores.

Lord, you are God, ruling in gentleness.

Lord, you are God. You wipe away each tear.

You hear our every prayer. You give us comfort.

You touch our hearts and calm our fears.

You are eternal. Alpha, Omega. We place our hope in you alone.

Lord, you are God, perfect in holiness.

Lord, you are God. In our darkness you are everlasting light.

A sure defender, you are our refuge.

You are the Giver. You are Jehovah.

You are the God who restores.

Great is thy faithfulness. Great is thy faithfulness.

Great is thy faithfulness. You are the God who restores. Your love restores.

HEBREW BIBLE READING

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

p. 436 OT

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

Sarah Morgan

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

TIME FOR REFLECTION

Adagio

A. Guilmant

✠ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

adapted from The Confession of Belhar

We believe that the unity of the people of God must be manifested and be active in a variety of ways: in that we love one another; that we experience, practice and pursue community with one another; that we are obligated to give ourselves willingly and joyfully to be of benefit and blessing to one another; that we suffer with one another for the sake of righteousness, pray together, and together serve God in this world.

✠ HYMN OF SENDING

We Will Go Out with Joy

#539

✠ BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

✠ POSTLUDE

Plein Jeu

F. Couperin

✠ THOSE WHO ARE ABLE PLEASE STAND

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Tim Reynolds - Pastor

Sarah Morgan – Pastor

Matt Casey – Liturgist

Matthew Mimbs – Director of Music & Arts

Justin Brueggeman – Guest Organist

2nd Presbyterian Chancel Choir

Technicians: Matt Casey, Elizabeth Seastrunk (video), Paul Sexauer (audio)

WORSHIP & CELEBRATION

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

Jan 23	Neh. 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10	Ezra Reads the Book of the Law
Jan 30	Luke 4:1-13	The Temptations of Jesus
Feb 6	1 Cor 15:1-11	God's Grace
Feb 13	1 Cor 13:1-13	The Nature of Love, Pt. 1

THE FLOWERS THIS WEEK were given in memory of Pete Denton, from his family.

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 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.

WE WILL BE HOLDING OUR NEXT DISCOVERY CLASS ON ZOOM. The Discovery Class is for those who want to know more about being Presbyterian, more about 2nd Presbyterian Church, or who are thinking of uniting in membership with this congregation. At the conclusion of the class, those who are not already members will be given the opportunity to unite with this congregation in membership, should they so desire. The class will occur on Feb. 7th, 14th, & 21st at 6:00 p.m. Please contact Pastor Tim at treynolds@2ndpres.org if you are interested in being a part of the class.

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.

2021 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS were recently emailed and/or mailed via First Class Mail. If you have not received 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 23rd

9:45 a.m. Faith, Science, & the Future Class (Phone Conference)
11:00 a.m. Worship

Tuesday, January 25th

9:00 a.m. FISH (Gym)

Wednesday, January 26th

6:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Bible Study (Zoom)

Sunday, January 30th

9:45 a.m. Faith, Science, & the Future Class (Phone Conference)
11:00 a.m. Worship

PRAYER CONCERNS

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

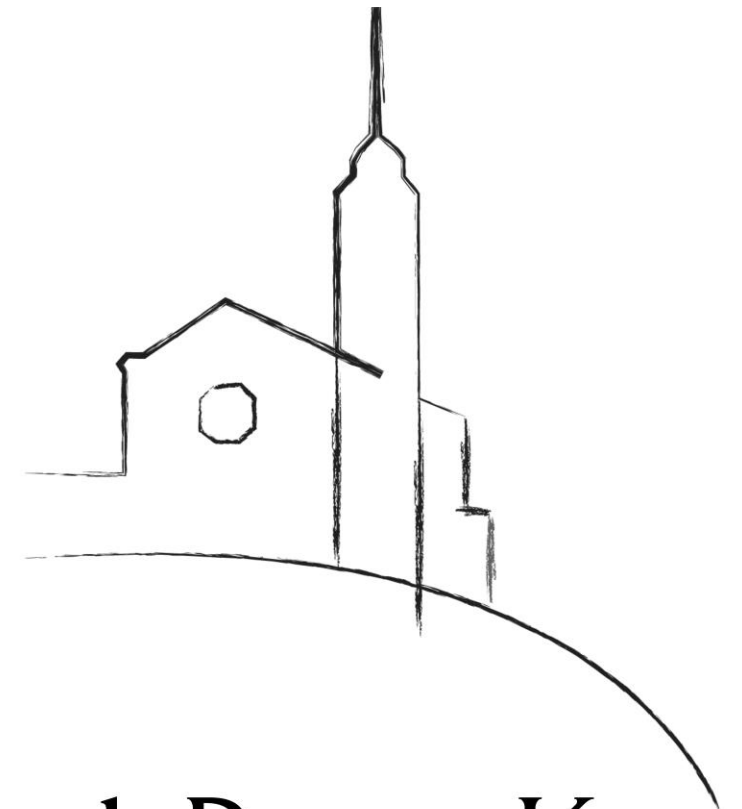
*Please notify the office if you are sick, in the hospital, or have a prayer request.
Names remain on the prayer list 4 weeks unless requested to keep them on longer.

SECOND PRESBYTERIAN STAFF

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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*.



2nd Pres Knox

WELCOMING + FAITHFUL + HOPEFUL

*Responding in gratitude to God's love and grace,
we are a welcoming, faithful, and hopeful community,
following Jesus and serving him in the world.*

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