

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 17th, 2021

11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE *Excerpts from “Mass for the Parishes”* F. Couperin

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

INTROIT

✠ CALL TO WORSHIP *from Psalm 104*

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

All: And also with you.

One: Praise the Lord, for God is great indeed!

All: Let us sing praises for God’s glorious works.

One: We give glory, honor, and thanksgiving to the Lord, who makes and sustains all things.

All: Let us worship God!

✠ HYMN OF PRAISE *In My Life (Lord, Be Glorified)* #468

✠ PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, you have called us to live as Christ did, but it is difficult. We confess to you and to ourselves how often we fall short of Christ’s example. We have gone after our own goals, forgetting to test them by your intention for us. We have failed to understand the needs of those around us and seek their good. We have relied on our own strength and given in to despair when we should have turned to you. Merciful God, deliver us from self-serving tendencies; glean from us our better selves. Teach us to live with faithfulness to your intention for the world. Cleanse and renew us, that we may know the joy of your presence and be bearers of your light, through the grace of Jesus Christ. Amen.

✠ ASSURANCE OF GOD’S LOVE

One: Hear the good news! God has forgiven each one of us and calls us to take our part in the drama of redeeming love.

All: Praise God, who accepts and uses our very human lives in the unfolding story of salvation and new life!

One: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

All: Thanks be to God!

✠ RESPONSE *Glory Be to the Father* #581

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be

World without end. Amen! Amen!

✠ PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Please refrain from bodily contact and maintain at least 6 feet of physical distance from other households as we pass the peace this morning.

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

HEBREW BIBLE READING Isaiah 2:2-4; 11:6-9 p. 631&641 OT

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

O Love

Elaine Hagenberg

O Love, that will not let me go

O Love, I rest my weary soul in thee; I give thee back the life I owe

That in thy ocean depths its flow may richer, fuller be

O Joy, that seeks me through the pain

O Joy, I cannot close my heart to thee; I trace the rainbow through the rain

And feel the promise is not vain that morn shall tearless be

O Love, that will not let me go

O Love, I rest my weary soul in thee; I give thee back the life I owe

And in thy ocean depths its flow may richer, fuller be

O Love, that will not let me go

NEW TESTAMENT READING Acts 25:1-12 p. 146 NT

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THE WORD PROCLAIMED

Sarah Morgan

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

TIME FOR REFLECTION

Elegy

A.H. Brewer

✠ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

adapted from The Heidelberg Catechism

When we pray, “hallowed be your name,” we seek to know God, to honor, glorify, and praise him for all his works and for all that shines forth from them: almighty power, wisdom, kindness, justice, mercy, and truth. We seek God’s direction in our living – what we think, say, and do – so that God’s name will always be honored and praised. And when we pray, “your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven,” we seek God’s help in rejecting our own wills and obeying God’s will. We seek God’s help in willingly and faithfully carrying out the work to which we are called.

✠ HYMN OF SENDING *Come! Live in the Light!* #749

✠ BENECTION AND RESPONSE

✠ POSTLUDE *Fantasia in G Minor* J.S. Bach

✠ THOSE WHO ARE ABLE PLEASE STAND

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Tim Reynolds – Pastor

Sarah Morgan – Pastor

Clara Hardin – Liturgist

Matthew Mimbs – Director of Music & Arts

Justin Brueggeman – Guest Organist

2nd Presbyterian Chancel Choir

Ushers: Neal Peebles, Cleston Jones, Bill Ragsdale, Charles White
Technicians: Elizabeth Seastrunk, Dale Henley (video), Matt Casey (audio)

WORSHIP & CELEBRATION

THE FLOWERS THIS WEEK are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Frank Myers.

UPCOMING SERMON TEXTS AND TOPICS: We are currently in a year-long sermon series on the book of Acts. Upcoming sermon texts/topics are:

Oct 17	Acts 25:1-12	Paul and Festus
Oct 24	Acts 25:13-26:32	Paul and Agrippa
Oct 31	Acts 27:1-44	Paul is Shipwrecked
Nov 7	Acts 28:1-10	Paul on the Island of Malta

THANK YOU FOR WEARING A FACE COVERING: Face coverings are currently required for worship, regardless of vaccination status. We also ask that everyone maintain at least 6 feet of physical distance between households while in the building. (Visiting outside in the courtyard before or after worship is encouraged!)

COVID PRECAUTION PHASES: Our current Covid Phase will always be visible on the home page of our website, where you can also find the guidelines for each phase. Additionally, signs on the doors of the building will alert you to the current Covid Phase. **We are currently in Phase Orange.**

OUR GUEST ORGANIST TODAY 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.

RION STEELE IS IN ITALY for the next year furthering his wine-making studies. If you would like to reach out and say hey or offer him some encouragement, he would love to hear from you. His email is rsteale2@utk.edu. He is also available to video call through Skype or What’s App and can be messaged through Facebook. If you have an iPhone you can text him for free at 39-347-825-0427.

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. 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 always welcome in worship, but a **nursery is available** for infants and children through age 6. There is also a "crying room" next door in the Library where the service is live streamed. **Hearing Devices** are available, if needed. **Children's Worship Bags** are available in the Narthex.

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.

EXTENDED COMMUNION? If you are interested in being part of our Extended Communion Program, please contact Jan Barber.

VISITING SHUT-INS UPDATE: Some of our local nursing homes and assisted living facilities continue to be shut down due to Covid-19. Be on guard and call before visiting anyone who may be in a facility to get the latest updates.

JAN BARBER WILL BE ON VACATION beginning October 18th though October 25th.

DISCIPLESHIP

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY IS on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. The Bible Study is currently in-person with a virtual option for those who wish to join from home. We also gather for dinner at 6:00 p.m. with each person/family providing their own "brown bag" meal. We will continue with the "brown bag" practice through December. **We will meet in the Mary Chambers Room.**

This fall we are studying *The Kingdom Parables of Jesus*, those parables in which Jesus says, "The Kingdom of Heaven is like..." The format is lecture/small group discussion. Pastor Tim reviews the story for 10 minutes or so and then we break into small groups for discussion questions together. The discussion questions are provided.

THE FAITH SCIENCE & THE FUTURE SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS meets in the Barbour Room at 9:45 a.m.

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 NOVEMBER SECOND EDITION DEADLINE is Wednesday, October 20th! Please contact Audrey with your submissions (ajohnson@2ndpres.org or 865-523-2189).

THIS WEEK IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Sunday, October 17th

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

Monday, October 18th

12:00 p.m. Discipleship Meeting
6:30 p.m. BSF (All Facilities)

Tuesday, October 19th

9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting
6:00 p.m. Session Meeting (Mary Chambers Room)
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts (Gym, Scout Room)

Wednesday, October 20th

2:00 p.m. Compassionate Cuisine (Fellowship Hall)
6:00 p.m. Wednesday Night Dinner (Mary Chambers Room)
6:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Bible Study (Mary Chambers Room)

Thursday, October 21st

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

Sunday, October 24th

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

PRAYER CONCERNS

Charlotte Klieman, Fran McLean, Marianne Thuesen, Alex & Phyllis Robinson, David & Jean Frazier, and Joshua Peter Hamilton.

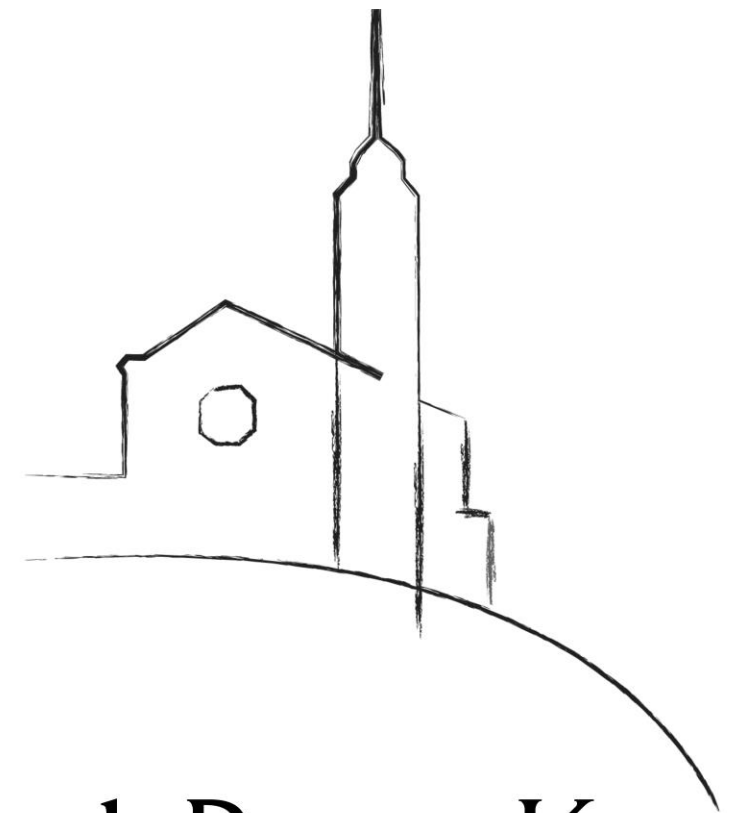
*Please notify the office if you are sick, in the hospital, or have a prayer request. Names remain on the prayer list 4 weeks unless requested to keep them on longer.

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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*.



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*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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