

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 24th, 2021

11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE

Andante Sostenuto

F. Mendelssohn

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

INTROIT

✠ CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 34:1-3

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

All: And also with you.

One: I will bless the Lord at all times,

All: God's praise will continually be in my mouth.

One: My soul makes its boast in the Lord,

All: let the humble hear and be glad.

One: O magnify the Lord with me,

All: let us exalt God's name together!

✠ HYMN OF PRAISE

Sing Praise to God, You Heavens!

#17, vv.1-3

✠ PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we have not been humble. We have discouraged others from seeking you. We have not sought your wisdom. Forgive us, O God, and teach us to boast only of you. Help us to celebrate when others seek after you. Give us the light of your wisdom and ways, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

✠ ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

One: God's love is boundless and reaches into the unknown and distant places of the earth.

All: But it is also an intimate love which touches us in the hidden fears and joys of our own lives.

One: Be assured that God's love is present for us in the caring of this community and in the offering of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection.

All: The ways of God's love are at work in and among us all.

One: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

All: Thanks be to God!

✠ RESPONSE

Sing Praise to God, You Heavens!

#17, v.4

Sing praises now, God's people, your gift of speech employ

To praise the Lord, your Maker, with thankfulness and joy

Sing with the whole creation, a cosmic chorus raise

To God alone be glory and everlasting praise!

✠ 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

HEBREW BIBLE READING

Isaiah 42:5-9

p. 670 OT

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Give Me Jesus

arr. Mark Hayes

Tuesday Reynolds, soprano

Oh when I am alone, oh when I am alone, oh when I am alone, give me Jesus.

Give me Jesus, give me Jesus. You may have all this world; give me Jesus.

And when I want to sing, and when I want to sing,

and when I want to sing, give me Jesus.

Give me Jesus, give me Jesus. You may have all this world; give me Jesus.

Give me Jesus, give me Jesus. You may have all this world,

with its troubles and cares, for of this I am sure, give me Jesus.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Acts 25:13-26:32

p. 146 NT

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

Tim Reynolds

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

TIME FOR REFLECTION

Adagio

W.A. Mozart

✠ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from The United Church of Canada

We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in Creation, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God.

✠ HYMN OF SENDING

Open My Eyes, That I May See

#451

✠ BENEDECTION AND RESPONSE

✠ POSTLUDE

Allegro e Vivace

F. Mendelssohn

✠ THOSE WHO ARE ABLE PLEASE STAND

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Tim Reynolds – Pastor

Helen Grant – Liturgist

Matthew Mimbs – Director of Music & Arts

Justin Brueggeman – Guest Organist

2nd Presbyterian Chancel Choir

Ushers: Bennie Myers, Tracy Horton, Neal Peebles, and Bruce Foster

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

WORSHIP & CELEBRATION

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

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 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
Nov 14	Acts 28:11-16	The Journey to Rome

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.

PASTOR SARAH IS AWAY TODAY attending the annual Board of Directors meeting for Massanetta Springs Camp & Conference Center. She will return to the office on Tuesday.

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.

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 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.

THIRD QUARTER CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS were emailed or mailed last week. If you do not receive one, or if you have a question regarding your statement, please contact Audrey (ajohnson@2ndpres.org or 865.523.2189).

THIS WEEK IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Sunday, October 24th

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

Monday, October 25th

12:00 p.m. Preschool Board Meeting (Zoom)
6:30 p.m. BSF (All Facilities)

Tuesday, October 26th

9:00 a.m. FISH Pantry (Fellowship Hall)
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts (Gym, Scout Room)

Wednesday, October 27th

6:00 p.m. Wednesday Night Dinner (Mary Chambers Room)
6:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Bible Study (Mary Chambers Room)

Sunday, October 31st

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

PRAYER CONCERNS

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

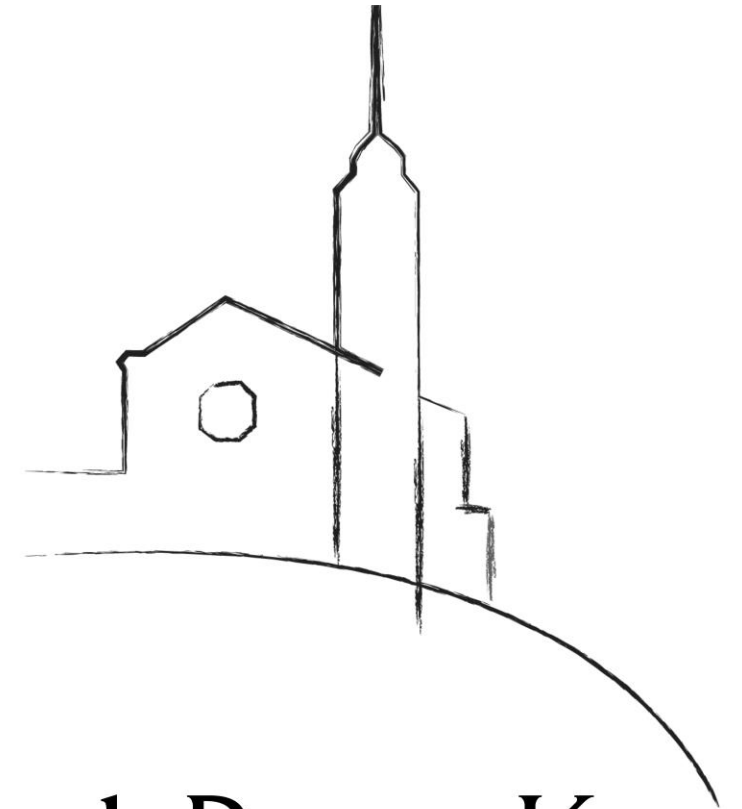
*Please notify the office if you are sick, in the hospital, or have a prayer request.
Names remain on the prayer list 4 weeks unless requested to keep them on longer.

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*.



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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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