

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 4th, 2020

11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE *Deck Thyself, My Soul, with Gladness* *Johannes Brahms*

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

INTROIT

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

✠ CALL TO WORSHIP *from Psalm 19*

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

All: And also with you.

One: The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the firmament his handiwork.

All: Let our ears hear their telling and our eyes see the beauty that surrounds us.

One: Let our voices echo through all the earth;

All: And our praises resound to the end of the world. Let us worship God!

HYMN OF PRAISE *God of the Ages* NATIONAL HYMN
We invite you to meditate on the lyrics as the hymn is played.
Please refrain from singing out loud.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of glory, you provide manna in the wilderness. We hear these stories, but they are only stories to us. Still, we aim to provide for ourselves. We don't trust that your provisions will be sufficient. Forgive us for our narrow view of achievement. Help us to see that all that we have is from you, and all that we have is loss if we do not have faith. Give us courage and strength to press on toward the goal of righteousness through faith in Jesus Christ, knowing that we cannot achieve it on our own. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

One: Our salvation does not depend on anything we have done but comes from the grace of God alone. This is the good news:

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

RESPONSE *Glory Be to the Father* GLORIA PATRI
We invite you to meditate on the lyrics as the hymn is played.
Please refrain from singing out loud.

✠ 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.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

HEBREW BIBLE READING Numbers 11:1-9

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM *Cast Thy Burden Upon the Lord* *Felix Mendelssohn*

Cast thy burden upon the Lord, and he shall sustain thee
He never will suffer the righteous to fall; he is at thy right hand
Thy mercy, Lord, is great and far above the heav'ns
Let non be made ashamed that wait upon thee

EPISTLE READING Philippians 3:4b-14

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THE WORD PROCLAIMED **Tim Reynolds**

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

✠ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Vision Statement of 2nd Presbyterian Church

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TIME FOR REFLECTION *Blessed Ye Who Live in Faith Unswerving* *Johannes Brahms*

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING & INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

HYMN OF SENDING *This Is a Day of New Beginnings* RENDEZ A DIEU
We invite you to meditate on the lyrics as the hymn is played.
Please refrain from singing out loud.

✠ BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

✠ POSTLUDE *Oh, that I Had a Thousand Voices* *arr. Paul Manz*

✠ THOSE WHO ARE ABLE PLEASE STAND

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Tim Reynolds – Pastor

Sarah Morgan – Pastor

Charles White – Liturgist

Matthew Mimbs – Director of Music & Arts

David Stultz – Asst. Director of Music/Organist

Ushers/Greeters: Lisa Henley

Technicians: Dale Henley, Matthew Lowe (video), Paul Sexauer (audio)

UPCOMING SERMON TEXTS AND TOPICS: We are currently following the Revised Common Lectionary:

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| Oct 4 | Philippians 3:4b-14 | Gaining Christ |
| Oct 11 | Philippians 4:1-9 | How to Worry |
| Oct 18 | 1 Thess. 1:1-10 | An Example of Faith |
| Oct 25 | Matthew 22:34-46 | The Great Commandment |

THIS WEEK IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Sunday, October 4th

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| 9:00 a.m. | Outdoor Worship |
| 9:45 a.m. | Faith, Science, & Future Class (Library) |
| 11:00 a.m. | Worship in the Sanctuary |

Tuesday, October 6th

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| 9:00 a.m. | Staff Meeting |
| 5:00 p.m. | Facilities Meeting (ZOOM) |
| 6:00 p.m. | Stewardship Meeting (ZOOM) |
| 6:00 p.m. | Care & Compassion (ZOOM) |
| 7:00 p.m. | Service & Outreach (ZOOM) |

Wednesday, October 7th

6:00 p.m. Wednesday Night Study (ZOOM)

Thursday, October 8th

2:00 p.m. Baby Shower for Morgan Family

Saturday, October 10th

5:30 p.m. Physically Distant Food Truck Fellowship

Sunday, October 11th

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PRAYER CONCERNS

Emily Rose, Dr. Ed Carver, Kathy Thomas, Bill Gosnell, Aggie Bell, Will Pruitt, Dotty Barbour, Mariann Thuesen, Donna Downen, Brice Gilmer, Frances and Mary Johnson, Ken Frazer, Daniel Robertson, and Jennifer Levy-Tatum.

*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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THE OFFICER NOMINATING COMMITTEE is interested in your suggestions for ruling elders to serve on the Session Class of 2014. To make your suggestions, go to www.2ndpres.org and click on the "Officer Suggestions" button.

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. **A nursery is available** for infants and children through age 6. **Hearing Devices** are available from an usher, if needed. **Children's Worship Bags** are available in the Narthex.

WORSHIP & CELEBRATION

THE FLOWERS THIS MORNING are given in memory of John Testerman by Leslie Testerman.

PLEASE WEAR A FACE COVERING AND PRACTICE PROPER PHYSICAL DISTANCING, during worship this morning. It not only shows love and care for our brothers and sisters, it decreases distractions and allows us to focus on God.

DID YOU SIGN IN? If you did not provide your contact tracing information online before today, please provide that information on the sheet in the narthex.

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

FELLOWSHIP & CONGREGATIONAL CARE

WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER & ACTIVITIES are suspended for the remainder of the year. The Session will make a determination as to when to resume after the first of the year.

FOOD & FRIENDS is suspended for the remainder of the year.

THE NEXT PHYSICALLY DISTANT FOOD TRUCK FELLOWSHIP is Saturday, October 10th starting at 5:30 p.m.! **B.Y.O.C. (Bring Your Own Chairs)!** For more information see October's *Second Edition* at www.2ndpres.org.

THE WOMEN OF THE CHURCH ARE HOSTING A BABY SHOWER for Sarah and Andy Morgan on October 8th from 2 pm – 4 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Due to Covid-19 guidelines, attendees need to sign up to attend for a half-hour period. To reserve your time, call the church office. Masks are required and safe spacing will be observed.

A CONGREGATIONAL HAPPENINGS SECTION has been added to our weekly Friday emails. If you have a joy, celebration, milestone, an honor, recognition, or some good news you would like to share with others, send it to Audrey at ajohnson@2ndpres.org.

DISCIPLESHIP

OUR WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY IS ON ZOOM this fall at 6:00 p.m. For the next two weeks we will be discussing the movie *Amazing Grace*, a 2006 biographical drama about the campaign against the slave trade in the British Empire, led by William Wilberforce. Wilberforce's mentor was John Newton, the former slave trader who authored the hymn "Amazing Grace".

FAITH, SCIENCE AND THE FUTURE SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS meets at 9:45 a.m. in the Library. You can also join the class by conference call if you don't want to meet in person.

THE SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER UPPER ROOM IS AVAILABLE in the narthex and the atrium.

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God of the ages, whose almighty hand
Leads forth in beauty all the starry band
Of shining worlds in splendor through the skies
Our grateful songs before thy throne arise

From war's alarms, from deadly pestilence
Be thy strong arm our ever sure defense
Fill all our lives with love and grace divine
And glory, laud, and praise be ever thine

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RENDEZ A DIEU

This is a day of new beginnings, time to remember and move on
Time to believe what love is bringing, laying to rest the pain that's gone
For by the life and death of Jesus, Love's mighty Spirit now as then
Can make for us a world of difference as faith and hope are born again

Then let us, with the Spirit's daring, step from the past, and leave behind
Our disappointment, guilt, and grieving, seeking new paths, and sure to find
Christ is alive and goes before us to show and share what love can do
This is a day of new beginnings; our God is making all things new

BENEDICTION



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