

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 9th, 2022

11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE *Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken* Haydn/arr. Boud

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

INTROIT

✦ CALL TO WORSHIP *from* Isaiah 40

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

All: **And also with you.**

One: Lift up your voice with strength, and do not fear.

All: **The Lord is the everlasting God, Creator of the ends of the earth.**

One: Lift up your voice with strength, and do not fear.

All: **The Lord gives power to the faint. He strengthens the powerless.**

One: Those who wait for the Lord will renew their strength.

All: **They will mount up with wings like eagles.**

One: Lift up your voice with strength, and do not fear.

All: **Let us worship with Lord.**

✦ HYMN OF PRAISE *O God, Who Gives Us Life* #53

✦ PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of mercy and grace, we are meant to praise you and give thanks to you always. We confess that our ways of living do not come from a place of constant gratitude. We harbor resentment for what we think we are lacking. We ignore your compassion and your care. We find it difficult to express our gratitude and praise through generosity when we only want to focus inward. Forgive us, we pray, for our attitudes and behaviors that diminish in us joyful thanksgiving. Restore us so that we may return to you. Help us to live holy and joyful lives that reflect your love for us. We pray in Christ's name. Amen.

✦ ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

One: In the waters of baptism, we have died with Christ and we have been raised with him to new life.

All: **Nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

One: In Christ we are forgiven and set free to live in praise and thanksgiving.

All: **Thanks be to God!**

✦ RESPONSE *Come Sing to God* #805, v. 1

Come sing to God, O living saints; sing praises to God's name

God's anger is not permanent; God's love will never wane

Though tears may tarry for the night with sighs of deepest pain

Yet joy comes with the morning sun, a peace that is not vain

✦ 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.

MINUTE FOR MISSION – Helen Grant, Presbyterian Women

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM – BO HENRY WALL

Presentation & Baptismal Vows

Profession of Faith – The Apostles' Creed (on the screen)

Thanksgiving Over the Water

The Baptism & Welcome

✦ BAPTISMAL HYMN *These Treasured Children* #487, omit v. 3

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

GOSPEL READING Matthew 22:34-40 p. 25 NT

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM *I Will Lift My Eyes* Mark Hayes

HEBREW BIBLE READING Exodus 19:1-7; 20:1-20 p. 65 OT

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED Tim Reynolds

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

✦ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *from* The Second Helvetic Confession (1561)

We teach that the will of God is explained for us in the law of God.

Therefore, we confess that the law is good and holy. We believe that the

whole will of God and all necessary precepts for every sphere of life are

taught in this law. We teach that this law was not given to us that we

might be justified by keeping it, but that rather from what it teaches we

may know our weakness, sin, and condemnation, and despairing of our

strength, might be converted to Christ in faith.

OFFERING OUR LIVES TO GOD

Offertory *Children of the Heavenly Father* arr. Marilyn Arison

✦ Response *Now Thank We All Our God* #643, v. 3

✦ Prayer of Dedication

✦ HYMN OF SENDING *O for a Closer Walk with God* #739

✦ BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

✦ POSTLUDE *Jubilate* G. Young

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

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Tim Reynolds – Pastor

Sarah Morgan – Pastor

Matt Casey – Liturgist

Matthew Mimbs – Director of Music & Arts

John Lasater – Organist

2nd Presbyterian Chancel Choir

Ushers: Lisa Henley, John Henley, Jack Lewis, and Patton Lewis
Technicians: Elizabeth Seastrunk (video) and Matthew Lowe (audio)

GROW

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

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN: EVERYONE IS INVITED! Join with Presbyterian Women members on TUESDAY, OCT. 11 at 10:00 IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL to hear a discussion on the Volunteer Ministries' new Caswell Manor and its accompanying support services for the former homeless. Hear VMC'S CEO Bruce Spangler, VMC's head of clinical programs, and VMC'S supervisor of case managers talk about this amazing challenge to homeless issues.

PASTOR TIM'S THURSDAY NOON BIBLE STUDY will resume THIS Thursday, October 13th at 12:00 noon. It will be a 6-week study on the book of Ruth, looking at Ruth as an example of protest literature. The class will be held in the Fireside Room (Library).

THE SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER UPPER ROOM devotional books are available, in the narthex and vestibule.

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THANKS TO ALL WHO CONTRIBUTED TO THE PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS OFFERRING. Your support for our denomination's efforts to address systems of injustice in our community and around the world is greatly appreciated.



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 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 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.

WORSHIP

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

Oct. 9	Exodus 19:3-7; 20:1-17	Covenant & Commandments
Oct. 16	Joshua 24:1-15	Joshua Renews the Covenant
Oct. 23	2 Samuel 11&12	David & Bathsheba
Oct. 30	1 Kings 3:4-9, 16-28	Solomon's Wisdom

THE FLOWERS THIS WEEK are given to the glory of God, in gratitude for our supportive congregation, by the Wall family. We are thankful for the loving environment that you have created for our children to grow and explore their faith.

THIS MORNING WE CELEBRATE THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM for Bo Henry Wall, child of Drew and Haley Wall.

A CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR DR. CHARLES WU will be held on Tuesday, October 18th at 11:00 a.m. in the sanctuary of 2nd Presbyterian Church. Visitation with the family will be in the Fellowship Hall following the service.

CONNECT

PASTOR TIM WILL GIVE A SABBATICAL REPORT on Wednesday, October 19th. We will gather in the Fellowship Hall at 6:00 p.m. for dinner. Fried chicken will be provided and everyone is asked to bring a side dish or dessert to share. At 6:30 p.m., Pastor Tim will give a presentation on what he did and some of what he learned on his sabbatical. There will be an opportunity to ask questions and have discussion at the end. All are invited!

2ND READERS WILL MEET THIS WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12TH at 11:30 a.m. at the Buckingham Clubhouse. We will be discussing *Run, Rose, Run* by Dolly Parton and James Patterson. If you are interested in joining us, please do! Bring a lunch and something to drink, plus your thoughts and insights about the book. If you have questions, please call Margaret Sullivan at 865.363.3967.

DUE TO A CHANGE IN HER PRIMARY EMPLOYMENT STATUS, Brittiany Kaha has had to leave her position as our Media Coordinator. Thanks, Brittiany, for your work the last 3 months! Our new Media Coordinator is Marta Villalta. Marta recently moved here from California, where she worked for the California-Pacific Conference of The United Methodist Church. Look for Marta's bio in the November *2nd Edition*. She will be in the office on Tuesdays and Fridays beginning this week. Her email will be mwillalta@2ndpres.org.

THIS WEEK IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Sunday, October 9th

- 9:45 a.m. Choir Practice (Sanctuary)
- Faith, Science & The Future Sunday (Barbour Room)
- 11:00 a.m. Worship

Monday, October 10th

- 6:00 a.m. GROW Team (Zoom)

Tuesday, October 11th

- 9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting (Barbour room)
- 9:30 p.m. Presbyterian Women (Fellowship Hall)
- 6:00 p.m. WORSHIP Team (Mary Chambers Room)
- 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts (Scout Room)

Wednesday, October 12th

- 11:30 p.m. 2nd Readers Book Club (Buckingham Clubhouse)

Thursday, October 13th

- 12:00 p.m. Deadline for Session Packet Items

Sunday, October 16th

- 9:45 a.m. Choir Practice (Sanctuary)
- Faith, Science & The Future Sunday (Barbour Room)
- 11:00 a.m. Worship

PRAYER CONCERNS

Lily Wu and family, Nancy Wallace, Elizabeth Wallace, Arlys Milligan, Beverli White, Bobbie Denton, Doux Robertson, Fran McLean, Frances Johnson, Jerry Young, Pat Wininger, and Peter Douglas Hamilton

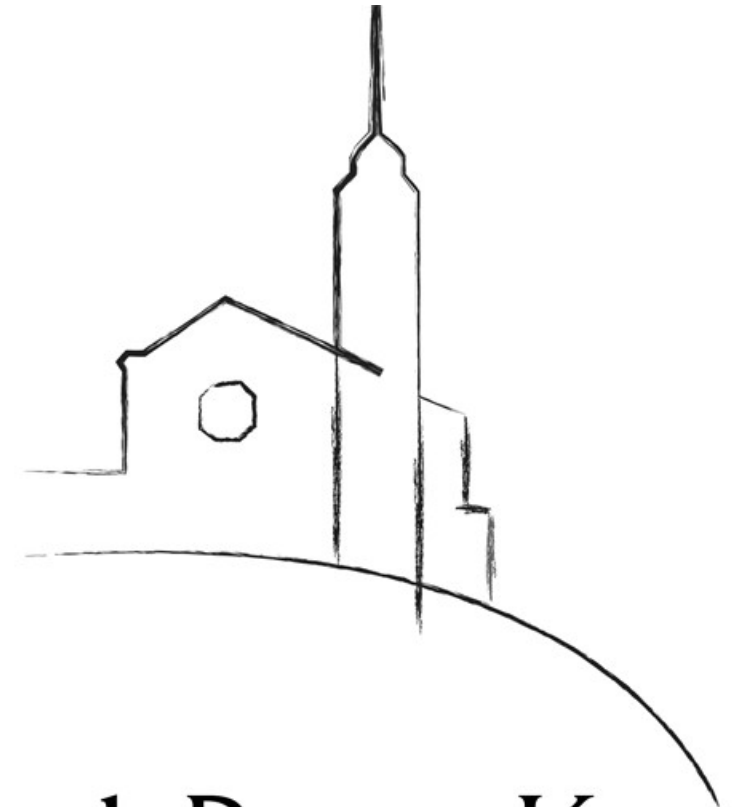
*Please notify the office if you are sick, in the hospital, or have a prayer request. Names remain on the prayer list 4 weeks unless requested to keep them on longer.

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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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