33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

November 14th, 2021 11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE Intrada Betteridge

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

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♦CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 118

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

All: And also with you.

One: This is the day that the Lord has made;
All: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

One: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

All: God's steadfast love endures forever.

One: Let us worship God.

† HYMN OF PRAISEFor the Beauty of the Earth#14 vv. 1-2, 4

†Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, you have created us in your loving image to live out our days as your people in good times and bad, yet we fall short in our thoughts, our actions, and our words. Too often our hearts are cold and without gratitude. Too often our hands are passive and reluctant to carry out acts of mercy. Too often our lips are pursed tightly, unwilling to speak words of love. Too often we are indeed separated and alienated from our better selves, from one another, and from you.

Forgive us, Lord, and knit us back into the image we were designed to reflect. Weave our lives with words of gratitude, acts of compassion, and hearts focused on your kingdom. We ask all this in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

♦ ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

One: Beloved, God's Word to us is a word of forgiveness, a word of assurance, a word of grace.

All: We are loved and accepted because we belong to God, and nothing can separate us from our Loving Creator.

One: Believe the Good News: in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

All: Thanks be to God!

\$\Phi\$RESPONSEFor the Beauty of the Earth#14 v. 5

For thyself, best gift divine to the world so freely given For that great, great love of thine, peace on earth and joy in heaven Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise

PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Please sign the Registration Pad found at the end of the row and pass it along.

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

Psalm 111

p. 562 OT

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM Be Thou My Vision arr. Frank and Marie Pooler

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art: Thou my best thought, by day or by night, Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise, Thou mine inheritance, now and always: Thou and Thou only, first in my heart, High King of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won, May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

NEW TESTAMENT READING Acts 28:11-16 p. 149 NT This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

Jessica Lewis

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

\PhiAFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from A Brief Statement of Faith

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!" With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

OFFERING OUR LIVES TO GOD

Offertory Fairest Lord Jesus arr. Bish

Response Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow #606

Prayer of Dedication

† HYMN OF SENDINGNow Thank We All Our God#643

†BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

 POSTLUDE
 Trumpets in Dialogue
 Clerambault

†THOSE WHO ARE ABLE PLEASE STAND

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Tim Reynolds - Pastor
Sarah Morgan – Pastor
Jessica Lewis – Student Ministry Intern
Dean Farmer – Liturgist
Matthew Mimbs – Director of Music & Arts
Beverly Landguth – Guest Organist
2nd Presbyterian Chancel Choir

Ushers: Doug Matthews, Leslie Matthews, Bruce Foster, Betsy Foster **Technicians:** Elizabeth Seastrunk, Dale Henley (video), Paul Sexauer (audio)

Worship & Celebration

THE FLOWERS THIS WEEK are given to the glory of God and in memory of William (Bill) Dodson.

JESSICA LEWIS IS PREACHING this morning. Jessica is serving as our student ministry intern this semester as part of her M.Div. studies with Dubuque Seminary. This is the first of two sermons Jessica will preach as part of the requirements for her supervised ministry credit.

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

Nov 14	Acts 28:11-16	The Journey to Rome
Nov 21	Acts 28:17-31	The End of the Journey
Nov 28	Lk 1:26-38/Matt. 1:18-21	Making Room for What Is to Come
Dec 5	Luke 1:39-45, 56	Making Room to Welcome Others

FACE COVERINGS ARE OPTIONAL IN WORSHIP for those who are fully vaccinated. We encourage everyone to still 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 Yellow.**

OUR GUEST ORGANIST TODAY is Beverly Landguth. She has a BS and MS in Elementary Education and Music Education, and is retired and currently substituting at churches in both Knoxville and Hilton Head, SC. She looks forward to playing at 2nd Presbyterian.

DISCIPLESHIP

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY is at 6:30 p.m. The Bible Study is currently inperson 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.**

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

ADVENT WREATH CANDLE LIGHTERS NEEDED: If you, your family, your group of friends, Sunday School Class, Fellowship Group, or any other combination of folks are interested in lighting the candles on the Advent Wreath this Advent season, please let Pastor Tim know. Advent begins November 28th.

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.

STUFFED ANIMAL COLLECTION: The Second Readers group is once again collecting stuffed animals for Judge Irwin's juvenile court. Animals may be left in boxes located in the Atrium/Narthex or, if you prefer, you may make a donation and we will shop for you. The animals must be new and around 12-16 inches in size. Questions, call Margaret Sullivan. 865-588-3103.

DRIVE THRU CAROLING: Once again the church will be having Drive-Thru Christmas Caroling. The date is December 19th from 3-5 p.m. in the courtyard. We are in need of volunteers to sing and volunteers to transport some of our shut ins. Mark your calendars now and let Jan Barber know if you are willing to help!

STEWARDSHIP

TODAY WE OPEN OUR STEWARDSHIP PLEDGE PERIOD, a time when friends and members of our congregation are asked to prayerfully consider our response to God's call for our church – and our response to God's abundance in our lives. You should have received a pledge card in the mail this week, if not, there are extra copies in the vestibule and narthex. Please consider how you can help support the mission and ministry of 2nd Presbyterian Church with your financial pledge. On our Commitment Sunday, December 5th, you will have the opportunity to offer this pledge card during the worship service. Alternatively, there is the option of making your pledge online through a link on the home page of the church website (2ndpres.org). Thank you for your commitment to the mission and ministry of 2nd Presbyterian.

OFFERING PLATES are at the entrances/exits to the sanctuary. If you are not comfortable passing the plate when it comes to you, please use these plates to offer your gift of thanksgiving as you enter or leave.

THE DECEMBER *SECOND EDITION* **DEADLINE** is Saturday, November 20th! Email your submission to Audrey (ajohnson@2ndpres.org).

THIS WEEK IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Sunday, November 14th

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

11:00 a.m. Worship

2:00 p.m. John Campbell Memorial Service (Sanctuary/Hudson Hall)

Monday, November 15th

12:00 p.m. Preschool Board Meeting (Zoom)

6:30 p.m. BSF (All Facilities)

Tuesday, November 16th

9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting (Barbour Room)

6:00 p.m. Session Meeting (Mary Chambers Room)

7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts (Gym, Scout Room)

Wednesday, November 17th

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, November 18th

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

12:00 p.m. Budget & Finance Meeting (Zoom)

Sunday, November 21st

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

11:00 a.m. Worship

PRAYER CONCERNS

The family of Dr. John Campbell, the family of Rachel Rogers, Susanne White, Pam Maples, Scott Farris, Fran McLean, Alex & Phyllis Robinson, 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

Ministers:	Members & Friends of the Congregation	
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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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