7th Sunday after Epiphany

February 20th, 2022 11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE All Glory Be to God On High

I. Pachelbel

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

INTROIT

♦CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 37

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

All: And also with you.

One: The salvation of the righteous is from the Lord;

All: He is their refuge in times of trouble.
One: Therefore, trust in the Lord, and do good.

All: Take delight in him; commit your way to the Lord. Trust in him,

and he will act.

One: Be still before the Lord, and wait patiently for him.

All: Let us worship the Lord!

†HYMN OF PRAISE

God of Creation, All Powerful

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God of creation, all-powerful, all-wise Lord of the universe rich with surprise Maker, Sustainer, and Ruler of all We are your children – you hear when we call

God of redemption, who wrought our rebirth Called out your church from the ends of the earth Still, you are Savior, put darkness to flight Overcome sin by salvation's pure light

God of the living, all-loving and strong You are the One in whom we all belong As we have been loved, may we love in turn Doing for others that for which we yearn

God of your people, your Word still stands fast
Do for us now as you've done in the past
Yours is the kingdom, your glory we claim
Loving and serving in Jesus' strong name

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that we have not followed your ways or trusted your promises. We love only those who love us. We show kindness only to those who are kind to us. We give only when it benefits us. Forgive us, Lord. Fill our hearts with your selfless love. Change our lives by your matchless grace. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

\PhiAssurance of God's Love

One: Hear the good news! Through Jesus Christ our Lord we have received grace in good measure – spilling out and running over.

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

♦ RESPONSE God of Creation, All Powerful

God of our now, all our trust is in you
Covenant God, ever faithful and true
Sovereign Creator, Redeemer, and Lord
Now and forever your name be adored!

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.

†HYMN OF PREPARATION

You Call Us, Lord

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You call us, Lord, to be a people set apart
To feel with thoughtful mind and think with tender heart
Thus chosen, now, O Lord, it is for your love we ask
And grace from you to make us equal to the task

You call us, Lord, to care for self and neighbor, too To take the risk and dare to show what love can do Thus chosen, now, O Lord, it is for your love we ask And grace from you to make us equal to the task

You call us, Lord, to do as we would have it done To heal through love so all the world may live as one Thus chosen, now, O Lord, it is for your love we ask And grace from you to make us equal to the task

You call us, Lord, to serve: to die that we may live To know we best receive when joyfully we give Thus chosen, now, O Lord, it is for your love we ask And grace from you to make us equal to the task

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

HEBREW BIBLE READING

Micah 6:6-8

p. 866 OT

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem

Seek First the Kingdom

Mary McDonald

Seek first the Kingdom of God, and all these things shall be added unto you. Child of the Father, we are all His children.

It is His pleasure to give his Kingdom. Wait upon the Lord.

Set your heart and mind on that which is above. Wait upon the Lord, know ye that His word is love. Set your heart and mind on Him who reigns above!

For where your treasure is, there will your heart be.

And where your heart is, there I will be.

For I am the Kingdom and the power,

and I am the Father, I am your Father.

Seek first the Kingdom and all things shall be added unto you.

NEW TESTAMENT READING
This is the Word of the Lord.

Luke 6:27-38

p. 64 NT

Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

Tim Reynolds

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

TIME FOR REFLECTION

Prayer

R. Becker

\PhiAFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from The Confession of 1967

The reconciling work of Jesus was the supreme crisis in the life of humankind. His cross and resurrection become personal crisis and present hope for us when the gospel is proclaimed and believed. In this experience, the Spirit brings God's forgiveness to us, moves us to respond in faith, repentance, and obedience, and initiates the new life in Christ. This new life takes shape in a community in which we know that God loves and accepts us in spite of what we are. We, therefore, accept ourselves and love others, knowing that no one has any ground on which to stand, except God's grace.

♦HYMN OF SENDING

O God of Every Nation

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†BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

†Postlude

Festive Trumpet Tune

D. Johnson

†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
Justin Brueggeman - Guest Organist
2nd Presbyterian Chancel Choir

Technicians: Elizabeth Seastrunk, Matt Casey (video), Dale Henley (audio)

Worship & Celebration

UPCOMING SERMON TEXTS AND TOPICS: We are currently following the Revised Common Lectionary, Year C.

Feb 20 Luke 6:27-38 The Nature of Love, Pt. 2
Feb 27 Exodus 34:29-25 The Veils We Wear

Mar 2 Matt. 6:1-6, 16-21 Ash Wednesday – The Practice of Piety Mar 6 Deut. 26:1-11 Giving Thanks & Remembering

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

THE ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING is called for Sunday, February 27 immediately following worship, if not in covid Phase Red. The meeting will be held in conjunction with the annual Souper Bowl for Hunger fundraiser and luncheon. The luncheon and meeting will take place in Hudson Hall. Immediately following the meeting of the congregation, the Annual Meeting of the Corporation will be held. On the agenda is a recommendation to amend the By-laws, reducing the number of Directors of the Corporation (Ruling Elders on the Session) from 24 Directors divided into three classes of eight, to 12 Directors divided into three classes of four. This change needs to be made to reflect the current makeup of the Session.

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. Due to being in Covid Phase Red this morning's service is a bit different. Please see the announcement on the inside of this page for the proper protocols. There is no nursery available during Covid Phase Red, but children are welcome in worship. **Children's Worship Bags** are available in the Narthex. **Hearing Devices** are available, if needed.

WE ARE CURRENTLY IN PHASE RED: During Phase Red our worship is essentially a virtual service that allows people to attend in-person. Those leading worship this morning will be interacting with the congregation at home through the cameras. Your view may be limited due to the placement of the cameras. If you are present in-person this morning we ask that you please observe the following protocols:

- Face covering required at all times
- Please remain in the sanctuary at all times
- Please maintain an appropriate physical distance from people in other households at all times
- Please refrain from singing during the hymns
- You are welcome to join in the spoken liturgy as printed in the bulletin (the sanctuary screen will not be active)
- There will be no offering during the service but offering plates are at the entrances to the sanctuary, should you wish to make a donation
- Please exit the sanctuary immediately at the end of the service; pastors will not be present to greet people at the doors

COVID PHASE RED: During Covid Phase Red all activities in the building are either cancelled or moved to virtual. (Determinations are made by facilitators of each individual group.) The church building is closed to all groups and in-person traffic, except for the staff and the preschool.

DISCIPLESHIP

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY: Kathy Duggan has been leading an informal discussion of the Gospel of Mark in January and February. During Covid Phase Red the discussion is held on Zoom. A link is sent out on Wednesday mornings. If you are not our email distribution list and would like to be added, please email ajohnson@2ndpres.org. The study will begin at 6:30, but you are welcome to log on earlier for virtual fellowship.

THE FAITH SCIENCE & THE FUTURE SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS will be meeting *via phone conference only* at 9:45 a.m. Phone number to join: 712-775-8972. Conference code: 179021.

IT'S ONCE AGAIN TIME FOR OUR SOUPER BOWL FUNDRAISER to help combat hunger in our community. As we have done in the past, we will have a luncheon of soups following worship in conjunction with the Annual Congregational meeting. This is currently scheduled for February 27th. For those who would like to make a monetary contribution for the Souper Bowl of Caring, Second Presbyterian Youth will be collecting donations regardless of what phase we are in. Donations collected will be sent to KARM. Please write Souper Bowl in the memo line of your check when you drop it off or send it to the church office. For a link to sign up and bring soups, please see the weekly Friday email.

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.

THIS WEEK IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Sunday, February 20th

9:45 a.m. Faith, Science, & the Future Class (Phone Conference)

11:00 a.m. Worship

Monday, February 21st

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

Tuesday, February 22nd

9:00 a.m. FISH Pantry (Gym)

10:00 a.m. Organist Auditions (Sanctuary)

Wednesday, February 23rd

6:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Bible Study (Zoom)

Sunday, February 27th

9:45 a.m. Faith, Science, & the Future Class (Phone Conference)

11:00 a.m. Worship

12:00 p.m. Annual Congregational Meeting/Souper Bowl Luncheon

(if in Covid Phase Orange)

PRAYER CONCERNS

Arlys Milligan, the family of Betty Charlton, Scott Farris, Beth & Daniel Robertson, Frances Johnson, 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.

SECOND PRESBYTERIAN STAFF

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Check out our blog: 2ndpresknox.blogspot.com

STEWARDSHIP

OFFERING PLATES are at the narthex entrance/exit to the sanctuary. Please remember to offer your gift of thanksgiving as you enter or leave.

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*.

THE MARCH SECOND EDITION DEADLINE is TODAY! Email or call Audrey with your submissions (ajohnson@2ndpres.org or 865-523-2189).

PASTOR SARAH MORGAN will be out of the office this week for continuing education.



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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