

2nd Sunday in Lent

March 16th, 2025

10:30 a.m.

PRELUDE *O The Deep, Deep Love of Jesus* arr. Raluca Bojor

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

INTROIT

✠ CALL TO WORSHIP *from* Psalm 27

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

All: And also with you.

One: The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

All: The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

One: Wait for the Lord. Be strong, and let your heart take courage.

All: Wait for the Lord!

✠ HYMN OF PRAISE *To God Compose a Song of Joy* KINGSFOLD

✠ PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, we confess that we have not made space in our lives for your presence. You call us to focus in on the work of your kingdom, but we fill our hearts with distractions. You desire justice and mercy, but we pursue our own gain. You grieve over what is broken, but we turn away from the pain. Forgive us, Lord. Remind us what it means to follow you, preaching good news to the poor and release to the captive. Help us to turn from the things that seek to draw us away from you, that we may worship you in spirit and truth. Amen.

✠ ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

One: God is our light and our salvation.

All: God does not turn away, forsake us, or leave us with our sin.

One: In Christ we are forgiven and offered healing.

All: Thanks be to God!

✠ RESPONSE *O Sing a Song of Bethlehem* #159, v. 4

✠ 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.

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

All children are invited to come forward for the Time for Young Disciples.

Following this time, children through 1st grade are invited to Children's Church.

✠ HYMN OF PREPARATION *You Are My Refuge, Faithful God* #214

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.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

HEBREW BIBLE READING Isaiah 56:1-8 p. 686 OT

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM *Beautiful Savior* arr. Tom Fettke

NEW TESTAMENT READING Luke 19:45-48 p. 83 NT

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED **Tim Reynolds**

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

OFFERING OUR LIVES TO GOD

Offertory *The Lambs on the Green Hills* arr. Brad Jacobsen

✠ Response *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* #606

✠ Prayer of Dedication

✠ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *from* The Belhar Confession

We believe that God has entrusted the church with the message of reconciliation in and through Jesus Christ; that the church is called to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world; that the church is called blessed because it is a peacemaker; that the church is witness both by word and by deed to the new heaven and the new earth in which righteousness dwells; and that God's life-giving Word and Spirit has conquered the powers of sin and death, and therefore also of hatred, bitterness, and enmity, and will enable the church to live in a new obedience which can open new possibilities of life for society and the world.

✠ HYMN OF SENDING *Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us* #280

✠ BLESSING AND CHORAL RESPONSE

✠ POSTLUDE *Kingsfold* arr. Jodi Ann Tolman

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

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Tim Reynolds – Pastor

Marty McLean – Liturgist

Matthew Mimbs – Director of Music & Arts

2nd Presbyterian Chancel Choir

Ushers: Doug Barbour, Tracy Horton, Henry Naff, Nancy Smythe

Technicians: Neal Henley (video); Paul Sexauer (audio)

WORSHIP

UPCOMING SERMON TEXTS AND TOPICS: We continue our sermon series on The Life of Jesus as we move into Lent. Jesus' Kingdom Mission is coming to a conclusion and from now through Easter we will be focusing on the last week of Jesus' life, as recorded in Luke's Gospel.

Mar 16	Luke 19:41-48	The Life of Jesus: <i>Cleanses the Temple</i>
Mar 23	Luke 20:9-26	The Life of Jesus: <i>Argues with the Authorities</i>
Mar 30	Luke 22:47-53	The Life of Jesus: <i>Arrest</i>
Apr 6	Luke 22:63-23:12	The Life of Jesus: <i>Trial</i>

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

SARAH MORGAN IS AWAY THIS MORNING with her family on vacation.

A REMINDER: Our friends from Church of the Savior are worshipping in our Fellowship Hall for the next several months. Their worship service begins at 11:30 a.m. Please be respectful in the hallway outside the Fellowship Hall as you pass by following our worship service.

CONNECT

FOOD & FRIENDS is a ministry to college students and young adults. On the 2nd Sunday of the month, all college students and young adults are invited to lunch at a local restaurant paid for by the church. If you would like to sign up to host, please use the sign-up link in the weekly e-news, the QR code to the right, or contact Jack Rosamond (jrosamond@2ndpres.org). **Our next Food and Friends is April 13th.**



FELLOWSHIP TIME: Join us after worship each week for coffee, lemonade, cookies, and a time of fellowship.

GRADUATION LUNCHEON: The Graduation Luncheon celebrating our 2025 graduates will be on March 30th in the Gym after worship. There will be a Barbecue lunch available for \$10. Reservations will be available soon. Our 2025 graduates are Neal Henley and Sydney Jones!

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 the 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. Children ages 2 through 1st grade are invited to **Children's Church** following the children's time in worship. A **nursery is available** beginning at 9:15 for infants and children through age 2. **Hearing Devices** are available if needed.

GROW

THE FAITH, SCIENCE & THE FUTURE SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS meets in the Barbour Room at 9:30 a.m. weekly. This class studies current events through the lens of faith using a weekly curriculum called *The Wired Word*. All are invited – join us!

GALATIANS BIBLE STUDY: Pastor Tim leads a weekly Bible study on Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. in the Barbour Room. We are studying Paul's letter to the Galatians. All are welcome.

CHILDREN'S VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: As our nursery and preschool continue to grow, we need more volunteers! If you are interested, please contact Holly Grimm at (865) 243-6353.

LENTEN BOOK STUDY: Our Lenten book this year is *Hope Is Here!: Spiritual Practices for Pursuing Justice and Beloved Community* by Luther E. Smith, Jr. We will be reading the book together with Church of the Savior and gathering weekly, on Thursdays at 5:30 pm, to discuss the readings. The book is available at all major online book sellers. A very limited supply of books are available in the church office for \$16.50 each.

GO

FISH MISSION DONATIONS: Rather than household or personal items, we are currently asking you to direct your gifts directly to the Fish designated fund. You can contribute via Realm (click on "Giving," then "Fish" in the drop-down), the church website (click on "Giving," then Fish in the drop-down), or by check ("Fish fund" in the memo line). Monthly donations would be most helpful. FISH meets on the 4th Tuesday of the month to pack and/or deliver. If you'd like to help, contact Dick Dodson at rtododson52@gmail.com.

SUPPORT

E-MAIL LIST UPDATE: If you are not receiving the weekly Friday E-News and would like to, please send Jack (jrosamond@2ndpres.org) an email letting him know you would like to be added to the email list.

NEW MATERIAL IN THE LIBRARY: The church library has recently been stocked with new DVD's, books, and scam awareness materials. Please visit or contact Liz Peebles for more information.

THE DEADLINE FOR THE 2ND EDITION is this coming Thursday, March 20th. Please turn in any newsletter articles or information to Jack by this day.

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*.

GIVE ONLINE: Visit us at www.2ndpres.org/give, text *2ndPresKnox* to 73256, or scan the QR code to the right.



THIS WEEK IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Sunday, March 16th

9:15 a.m. Choir Practice (Sanctuary)
9:30 a.m. Faith, Science & The Future Class (Barbour Room)
10:30 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)
11:30 a.m. Fellowship Time

Monday, March 17th

9:45 a.m. Staff Meeting (Small Conference Room)
5:30 p.m. Preschool Board Meeting (Zoom)

Tuesday, March 18th

6:00 p.m. Session Meeting (Barbour Room)

Wednesday, March 19th

11:30 a.m. 2nd Readers Book Club (Mary Chambers Room)

Thursday, March 20th

10:30 a.m. Galatians Bible Study (Barbour Room)
5:30 p.m. Lenten Book Study (Barbour Room)

Deadline for 2nd Edition Articles

Sunday, March 23rd

9:15 a.m. Choir Practice (Sanctuary)
9:30 a.m. Faith, Science & The Future Class (Barbour Room)
10:30 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)

PRAYER CONCERNS

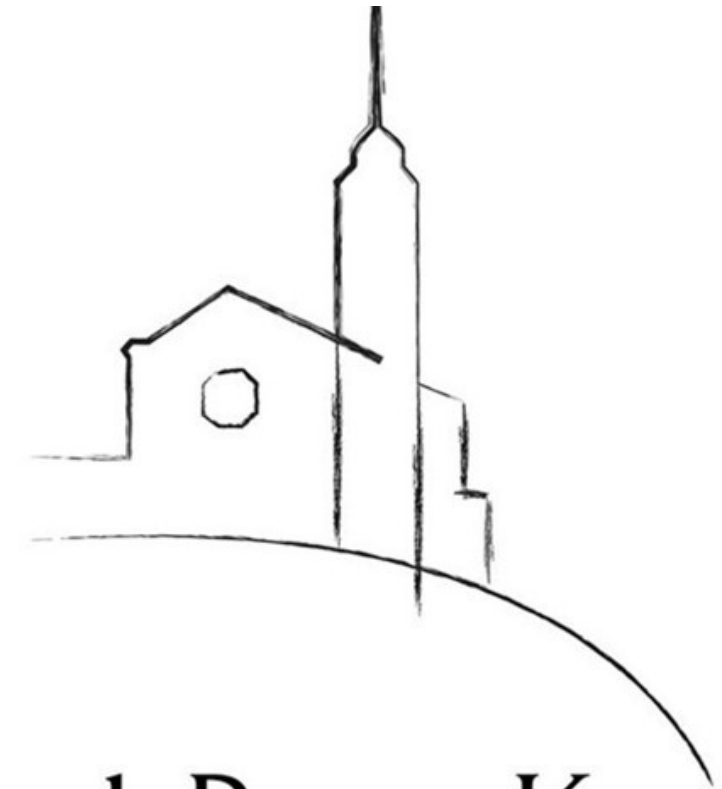
The Casey Family, Sue Jacox, The family of Bruce Foster, Bill Roach, Jr.,
The family of Amy Garcia, Donna Downen, and Arlys Milligan

*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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*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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