

March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022

**3<sup>d</sup> Sunday in Lent**

11:00 a.m.

✦HYMN OF PREPARATION *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy* #435

✦POSTLUDE *Praeludium in C* *D. Buxtehude*

✦THOSE WHO ARE ABLE PLEASE STAND

PRELUDE *Lied* *L. Vierne*

**GATHERING AROUND THE WORD**

INTROIT

✦CALL TO WORSHIP *from Psalm 63*

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

**All: And also with you.**

One: O God, you are our God; we seek you this morning.

**All: We want to look upon you in your sanctuary and behold your power and glory.**

One: Your steadfast love is better than life; our lips shall praise you.

**All: We will bless you as long as we live; we will lift up our hands and call on your name.**

✦HYMN OF PRAISE *O God, You Are My God* #743

✦PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Almighty God, though you lovingly tend us, we have not put forth the good fruits of your Spirit. Our consumption poisons the earth. Our violence threatens our neighbors. Our greed exploits the poor. We must seem a waste of time, but don't give up on us yet, O God. In your power to abundantly pardon, forgive us for the sake of Christ, and imbue us with love, peace, goodness, and faithfulness. Amen.**

✦ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

One: God makes an everlasting covenant with us.

**All: God's sure, steadfast love known to Moses, David, and the ancestors, was revealed in Jesus on the cross.**

One: Trust in the good news.

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

✦RESPONSE *Glory Be to the Father* #579

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be  
World without end. Amen, Amen.**

✦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.**

**PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

HEBREW BIBLE READING Isaiah 5:1-7 p. 634 OT

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM *I Will Lift My Eyes* *Mark Hayes*

I will lift my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come?  
My help comes from the Lord who made heaven and earth.

My hope is in the Lord.

He will not let you stumble. He will not let you fall.

The one who watches over you neither slumbers nor sleeps at all.

The sun will not harm you by day, nor the moon by night.

The Lord will keep you from all harm.

He will keep you. He will guard your life.

I will lift my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come?  
My help comes from the Lord who made heaven and earth.

My hope is in the Lord. I will lift my eyes.

The Lord will watch over your coming and going,  
both now and forevermore.

NEW TESTAMENT READING Luke 13:1-9 p. 76 NT

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

THE WORD PROCLAIMED **Sarah Morgan**

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

OFFERING OUR LIVES TO GOD

Offertory *The Peace May Be Exchanged* *D. Locklair*

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

✦Prayer of Dedication

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Presentation

Reaffirmation of the Baptismal Vows

✦Profession of Faith *The Apostles' Creed*

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and Earth; and in Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayer & Welcome

✦HYMN OF SENDING *God of Grace and God of Glory* #307

✦BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

**SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY**

Tim Reynolds - Pastor

Sarah Morgan – Pastor

Clara Hardin – Liturgist

Matthew Mimbs – Director of Music & Arts

Justin Brueggeman – Guest Organist

2<sup>nd</sup> Presbyterian Chancel Choir

**Ushers:** Lauren Dodson, Betsy Foster, Bruce Foster, Tim Wright  
**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.

Mar 20	Luke 13:1-9	The Parable of the Fig Tree
Mar 27	Jeremiah 18:1-11	The Steps of Repentance
Apr 3	John 12:1-8	Mary Anoints Jesus
Apr 10	Philippians 2:1-15	Having the Mind of Christ

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

**TODAY WE WELCOME** Leonard and Pat Bailey, Kirsty Bleyl, Andrew Butler, Gerald and Linda Cook, Susan Jacox, Cameron and Rebecca Kite, Janis Smith, and Kathy Tallent into our fellowship. Please extend them the right fist-bump of fellowship following worship!

**SCOUT SUNDAY IS** Sunday, March 27<sup>th</sup>. For over 100 years Boy Scouts has enjoyed the support of religious organizations. Our own Troop 6 was founded in 1915 and is the oldest troop in the Great Smoky Mountain Council. Second Presbyterian Church has been the charter organization since 1916. Together we have enriched the spiritual lives of young people for over four generations. We will celebrate this long history of common service together, as members of Troop 6 will join us in worship.

**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. Our current Covid Phase is always 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.**

### 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.

### DISCIPLESHIP

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT LENTEN BIBLE STUDY:** Please join in "Learning Forgiveness: A Lenten Study" for the 6 weeks of Lent on Wednesday nights at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. There is a Zoom option for those unable to join in person. We are exploring the often difficult task of Forgiveness. The study is authored by Marjorie Thompson. You can find a link in the Friday email to download a copy of the study. If you prefer a printed copy, please contact the church office to have one printed for you. The study will continue through April 13<sup>th</sup>. We hope to see you there!

**THE FAITH SCIENCE & THE FUTURE SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS** will resume meeting in the Barbour Room at 9:45 a.m. next Sunday, March 27<sup>th</sup>.

**PICK UP YOUR MARCH-APRIL UPPER ROOM DEVOTIONAL** in the vestibule or narthex!

### FELLOWSHIP & CONGREGATIONAL CARE

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER!** Prior to the Lenten Study sessions, dinner will be served in the Fellowship Hall beginning at 5:30 p.m. If possible, please notify Kathy Duggan at kduggan55@gmail.com or 865-441-8683 (text) to let us know you are coming, but drop-ins are welcome! We look forward to seeing you this coming Wednesday night!

**JOIN US FOR SUNDAY BRUNCH THIS MORNING AT 9:45 AM.** Join us for food and fellowship at the church brunch! We ask that those attending bring either their favorite breakfast casserole, fruit, pastries or other breakfast foods (bagels and cream cheese etc.) to share. Coffee and juice will be provided. Be there and let's get reacquainted as a congregation!

**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.

### STEWARDSHIP

**THE APRIL SECOND EDITION DEADLINE** is TODAY! Please contact Bonnie Smith in the church office (bsmith@2ndpres.org) with your submissions!

**ORGANIZATIONAL INFORMATION SESSION:** Our next information session regarding our new organizational model is Thursday, March 24<sup>th</sup> at noon in the Mary Chambers Room. This is a chance to get more information and ask questions regarding the new model. All are welcome to attend. Sandwiches will be ordered for those who sign up in advance. If you can't make it there will be another session on April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

### THIS WEEK IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

#### Sunday, March 20<sup>th</sup>

9:45 a.m. Brunch (Fellowship Hall)  
Choir Practice (Sanctuary)  
11:00 a.m. Worship

#### Monday, March 21<sup>st</sup>

12:00 p.m. Preschool Board Meeting (Zoom)  
6:30 p.m. BSF

#### Tuesday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>

9:00 a.m. FISH (Fellowship Hall)  
6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts (Scout Room & Gym)

#### Wednesday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>

5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Dinner (Fellowship Hall)  
6:30 p.m. Lenten Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)

#### Thursday, March 24<sup>th</sup>

12:00 p.m. Information Session (Fellowship Hall)

#### Sunday, March 27<sup>th</sup>

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

### PRAYER CONCERNS

Beverly White, Arlys Milligan, Pam Maples,  
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

<b>Ministers:</b>	<b>Members &amp; Friends of the Congregation</b>	
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Check out our blog: [2ndpresknox.blogspot.com](http://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*.



*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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