

2nd Sunday in Lent

March 5th, 2023

10:30 a.m.

PRELUDE *Immortal Love, Forever Full* Wallace / Arr. Haan

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

INTROIT

✠ CALL TO WORSHIP *from Psalm 16*

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

All: And also with you.

One: The Lord give us our inheritance; the Lord fills our cup.

All: The Lord controls our destiny.

One: Let us put the Lord in front of us – always.

All: With the Lord at our right hand, we shall not be moved.

✠ HYMN OF PRAISE *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* #12

✠ PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, we count on your mercy, yet we expect you to punish the wicked. We serve you in faith, but when others don't, we focus on their disobedience rather than the joy of our obedience. We thank you for our prosperity, yet cry "no fair" when debts are forgiven or wealth is redistributed to further the prosperity of others. Forgive us, Lord, for being petty in the presence of your generosity, for being more concerned about protecting our own interests than we are about looking out for the interests of others. Send us your Spirit to help us be more merciful toward one another. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

✠ ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

One: Whether we responded at the first opportunity or are just responding now, all who respond to God's call to repentance are embraced by the generous mercy of God:

All: God's gracious forgiveness is ours in Jesus Christ!

✠ RESPONSE *O Lamb of God Most Holy!*

*O Lamb of God Most holy! Who on the cross did suffer
And patient still and lowly, yourself to scorn did offer
Our sins by you were taken, or hope had us forsaken
Your peace be with us, Jesus!*

✠ 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 on the end of the pew and pass it down.

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

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

OFFERING OUR LIVES TO GOD

Offertory *Bread of the World, in Mercy Broken* Arr. G. Young

✠ Response *What Wondrous Love Is This* #215, v. 3

✠ Prayer of Dedication

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

HEBREW BIBLE READING Jonah 3:10-4:11 p. 860 OT

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 20:1-16 p. 21 NT

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED Sarah Morgan

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Lord's Table

✠ Preparatory Hymn *Come to the Table of Grace* #507

Great Thanksgiving & The Lord's Prayer

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **They are lifted up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Communion of the People *He is Here in the Breaking of Bread* Larson

Prayer after Communion

✠ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Vision Statement of 2nd Presbyterian Church

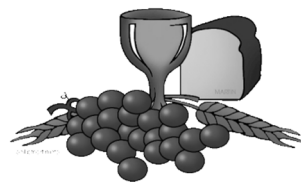
Responding in gratitude to God's love and grace, we are a welcoming, faithful, and hopeful community, following Jesus and serving him in the world.

✠ HYMN OF SENDING *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy* #435

✠ BLESSING AND CHORAL RESPONSE

✠ POSTLUDE *When on the Cross the Savior Hung* J.S. Bach

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



Communion: We welcome all who follow Jesus, regardless of denomination, to the Lord's Table, including children. Parents who wish to celebrate communion as a family may get their children from the nursery during the singing of the Communion preparation hymn. **Communion will be received via intinction this morning.** Prefilled communion cups are available at the entrances to the sanctuary for those who do not wish to come forward for intinction.

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Tim Reynolds – Pastor

Sarah Morgan - Pastor

Matthew Mimbs – Director of Music & Arts

John Lasater – Organist

2nd Presbyterian Chancel Choir

Ushers: Bennie Myers, Liz Peebles, Patton, and Jack Lewis
Technicians: Matt Casey (video) and Matthew Lowe (audio)

WORSHIP

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

March 5	Matthew 20:1-16	Laborers in the Vineyard
March 12	Matthew 22:1-14	The Wedding Banquet
March 19	Matthew 25:1-13	The Bridesmaids
March 26	Matthew 25:31-46	The Last Judgment

THE FLOWERS THIS WEEK are given to the glory of God and in honor of Bobbie Denton, by her friends.

COMMUNION WILL BE RECEIVED VIA INTINCTION this morning. Please proceed down the center aisle, break off a piece of bread, dip it in the cup on the side on which you are seated, and return to your seat via the side aisle. A gluten-free communion station is provided to the left. If mobility or health concern is an issue for you, self-serve cups are available at the sanctuary entrance.

NAMETAG Do you want or need a new nametag? Please let Bonnie know by March 10th. We will be placing a new order soon. You can email Bonnie (bsmith@2ndpres.org) or call the Church office.

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME BEGINS NEXT SUNDAY! Don't forget to set your clocks ahead one hour before going to bed on Saturday, or you'll be late for worship on Sunday!

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 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 the 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.

CONNECT

PLEASE JOIN US FOR COFFEE AND FELLOWSHIP in the Mary Chambers Room following worship this morning. The Mary Chambers Room is at the front left of the sanctuary.

SECOND READERS will meet Wednesday, March 8, at 11:30 a.m. at the Buckingham Clubhouse. The book for the month is "The Invention of Wings" by Sue Monk. Liz Peebles will lead our discussion. Bring your lunch and join us. Contact Margaret Sullivan, at (865) 363-3967 if you have any questions.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN OF SECOND CHURCH will meet on Tuesday, March 14, at 10 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Our bible study will focus on the life of Luke in the New Testament and who is often referred to as Luke, the Physician. **JOIN US!** Members and visitors are welcome.

GROW

THE FAITH SCIENCE & THE FUTURE SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS meets in the Barbour Room at 9:30 a.m. on Sundays. This class studies current events through the lens of faith using a weekly curriculum called *The Wired Word*.

LENTEN DEVOTIONAL & BOOK DISCUSSION: Our Lenten devotional book is *Lent of Liberation* by Cheri L. Mills. We are meeting to discuss the readings on Wednesdays at 6 p.m. and Thursdays at 12 noon during Lent.

GO

CAGLE TERRACE is affordable housing for low-income individuals and families in West Knoxville. Overseen by the KCDC, the main public housing and redevelopment authority in Knoxville, Cagle has two high-rise buildings for residents aged 62 and over, along with disabled people. Since TSNAP/food stamps cannot be used to buy many needed items for daily living, the KCDC asked for help from our church to provide cleaning supplies for the residents. There is a basket outside the church office to collect the items. Thank you for your generosity!

PRAGMATIC PRESBYTERIANS: Around 150 people are at risk of being evicted in Tennessee every week, and around 30 of those people live in Knox County. If you are interested in helping people maintain a stable home so they can rise above the limitations of poverty, join our study group to explore solutions. Formerly known as the Poverty Study Group, we will meet in the church library on the following Wednesday evenings at 7:00 pm: March 1, March 22, and March 29. Together, we can make a difference!

THIS WEEK IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Sunday, March 5th

- 9:30 a.m. Faith, Science & The Future Class (Barbour Room)
- 10:30 a.m. Worship
- 11:30 a.m. Fellowship (Mary Chambers Room)

Monday, March 6th

- 10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting (Barbour Room)
- 4:30 p.m. Cross Ministries Board Meeting (Barbour Room)

Tuesday, March 7th

- 4:30 p.m. Connect Team (Barbour Room)
- 5:00 p.m. Facilities Support Team (Zoom)

Wednesday, March 8th

- 11:30 a.m. 2nd Readers Book Club (Buckingham Clubhouse)
- 6:00 p.m. Lenten Book Study (Barbour Room)
- 7:00 p.m. Pragmatic Presbyterians (Library)

Thursday, March 9th

- 12:00 p.m. Lenten Book Study (Barbour Room)

Saturday, March 11th

- 9:00 a.m. CCR&R Training Seminar (Fellowship Hall)

Sunday, March 12th – Daylight Savings Time Begins

- 9:30 a.m. Faith, Science & The Future Class (Barbour Room)
- 10:30 a.m. Worship
- 11:30 a.m. Fellowship (Mary Chambers Room)

PRAYER CONCERNS

Janis Smith, the family of Leilla White, Fran McLean, Elsie Dodson, Jerry Young, Arlys Milligan, Beverli White, and Peter Douglas Hamilton.

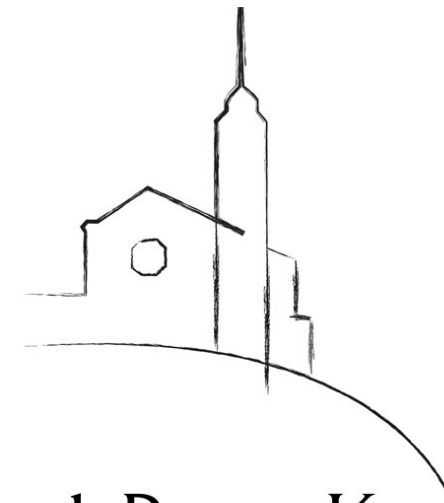
*Please notify the office if you are sick, in the hospital, or have a prayer request. Names remain on the prayer list 4 weeks unless requested to keep them on longer.

SECOND PRESBYTERIAN STAFF

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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

Lent



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Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

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