

2nd Sunday of Easter/Kirkin' o' the Tartans

April 16th, 2023

10:30 a.m.

PRELUDE *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing* Glazer/arr. Boud

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

INTROIT

WELCOME AND EXPLANATION OF THE SERVICE

PROCESSION OF THE TARTANS *March Medley*

The Tartans are carried by members and friends of 2nd Presbyterian Church.

KIRKIN' OF THE TARTANS

One: Raise your Tartans!

All: We raise them up to the Lord!

One: Thank you, O God, for your Word, which has ordained a rich heritage of faith and sacrifice from our ancestors, from Adam to Noah, from Noah to Abraham, from Abraham to David, and so onward to the incarnation of Jesus Christ, to the establishment of his church: our brothers and sisters in Christ everywhere. May we never forget that a heritage of faith is a joy to be shared.

All: Bless us that we may be a blessing, O Lord.

One: Thank you, O God, for the blessing of family; the warmth, comfort, and security of family love. May we never forget that our family love is a gift to be shared with kin and stranger.

All: Bless us that we may be a blessing, O Lord.

One: We praise you, O God, for those who have lived and died in Christ that we might have the freedom to dwell in a community of faith. Never let us forget the sacrifices made for us.

All: Bless us that we may be a blessing, O Lord.

One: On behalf of all clans, families, and nations, we stand before God in gratitude for our heritage, and we pray God's blessing on all beloved children in all lands.

All: On behalf of believers everywhere, Almighty God, we raise these Tartans before you in gratitude for and appreciation of our heritage. Bless them, we pray, that they may be unto us and unto all gathered here a token of the faith of our ancestors and a sign of our service to you. We ask your blessing upon your servant people in all lands, knowing your promise is to be with all those who call upon your name. Make us joyful in our prayers so that our worship, offered here this morning, may be acceptable to you. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

✦CALL TO WORSHIP *from Ephesians 4*

One: O come, let us worship and praise the Lord our God.

All: For the Lord our God has worked through the lives of women and men, clans and families, to grant us a great legacy of faith.

One: The Lord our God is with us today, as God has been present with his people in the past, and will be present with us in the future.

All: May our worship proclaim there is but one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of us all, who is above all, and through all, and in all. Praise be to God!

✦HYMN OF PRAISE *Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!* #248

✦PRAYER OF CONFESSION *from* The Church of Scotland
We confess our sins to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Compassionate God of life, your kindly pardon give: for our careless talk, our broken oath, our empty speech; for all that we have left undone, for all that we have done amiss. As we receive the word and knowledge of your forgiveness, enshield us and encircle us, each day and each night. Uphold us, be our treasure, our triumph everlasting; strong Son of God most high. Amen.

✦ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

One: Almighty God, who in infinite love has given us the Son to take away our sin, also empowers us by the Holy Spirit for new beginnings and daily strength. Friends, believe the Good News: through Jesus the Christ we are forgiven!

All: Praise be to God! Amen.

✦RESPONSE *Glory Be to the Father* #581

✦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 the children's time, they are invited to go with our volunteers for Children's Church.

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.

✦HYMN OF PREPARATION *Will You Come and Follow Me* #726

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

HEBREW BIBLE READING Psalm 40:1-10 p. 513 OT

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM *Almighty Father* Benjamin Harlan

NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 28:16-20 p. 28 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 *Highland Cathedral* arr. Jay Dawson

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

✦Prayer of Dedication

✦AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *from* The Scots Confession (1560)

We confess and acknowledge one God alone, to whom alone we must cleave, whom alone we must serve, whom only we must worship, and in whom alone we put our trust. Who is eternal, infinite, immeasurable, incomprehensible, omnipotent, invisible; one in substance and yet distinct in three persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost. By whom we confess and believe all things in heaven and earth, visible and invisible, to have been created, to be retained in their being, and to be ruled and guided by his inscrutable providence for such end as his eternal wisdom, goodness, and justice have appointed, and to the manifestation of his own glory.

✦HYMN OF SENDING *Called as Partners in Christ's Service* #761

✦BENEDICTION

One: May the blessing of God's light be upon us;

All: light without and light within.

One: May the blessing of the rain be upon us.

All: May it be upon our spirits and wash them fair and clean.

One: May the blessing of the earth be upon us;

All: soft under our feet, as we pass along the roads.

One: And may the Lord bless us, and bless us kindly.

All: Alleluia! Amen.

✦RECESSIONAL

✦POSTLUDE *We've a Story to Tell to the Nations* Nichol/arr. DeCou

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

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Tim Reynolds – Pastor

Sarah Morgan – Pastor

Bruce Foster – Liturgist

Matthew Mimbs – Director of Music & Arts

John Lasater – Organist

Chris Riedl – Bagpipes

Charles White – Beadle

2nd Presbyterian Chancel Choir

Ushers: Cleston Jones, Mary Kay Sullivan, Patton, and Jack Lewis

Technicians: Matt Casey (video) and Matthew Lowe (audio)

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.

WORSHIP

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

April 16	Matthew 28:16-20	The Great Commission
April 23	Acts 10:1-17, 34-48	Peter's Vision
April 30	Acts 13:1-3; 14:8-18	Paul's Mission
May 7	Romans 1:1-17	The Gospel as Salvation

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

5th SUNDAY WORSHIP IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL: On Sunday, April 30th, we will worship in the Fellowship Hall instead of the Sanctuary. Following worship that morning is our Graduate Recognition luncheon to honor our graduates. All are invited!

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*.

CONNECT

PLEASE JOIN US FOR COFFEE AND FELLOWSHIP in the Sanctuary Courtyard following worship this morning, weather permitting. The Sanctuary Courtyard is between the sanctuary and the chapel.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP: Drawing on her years of experience as a nurse and caregiver, Margaret Walther is starting a support group to address issues associated with grief and loss. The group is meant to offer encouragement and provide information and resources on many topics, including hospice care. Please join us for an interesting meeting on April 20th at 10:30 a.m. in the church library.

PARENTS NIGHT OUT On April 23rd from 4 p.m. – 6 p.m., our youth will be hosting a Parents Night Out for children from birth through 5th grade. Dinner will be provided. Please RSVP to Holly Grimm at (865)243-6353 or email her at hgrimm@2ndpres.org by April 19th.

GRADUATE RECOGNITION LUNCHEON: Please join us in the Fellowship Hall immediately after worship on April 30th for lunch and a celebration of Second's graduates.

GO

UKIRK @ UTK: We have an incredible group of seniors this year and UKirk has made a positive difference in their lives. UKirk is asking you to donate \$20.23 in their honor. To give, go to www.UKirkUTK.org and click on the donate button. Thank you for supporting UKirk and our students!

THIS WEEK IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Sunday, April 16th

- 9:30 a.m. Faith, Science & The Future Class (Barbour Room)
- 10:30 a.m. Worship – Kirkin' of the Tartans
- 4:00 p.m. Eagle Scout Ceremony (Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall)

Monday, April 17th

- 10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting (Barbour Room)
- 12:00 p.m. Preschool Board Meeting (Zoom)

Tuesday, April 18th

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

Wednesday, April 19th

- 2:00 p.m. Compassionate Cuisine (Atrium)

Thursday, April 20th

- 10:00 a.m. Arts & Crafts (Room 227)
- 10:00 a.m. Grief Support Group (Library)
- 4:00 p.m. Deadline 2nd Edition Articles

Sunday, April 23rd

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



PRAYER CONCERNS

Gerry Turner, Sue Jacox, Janis Smith, Cheryl Ragsdale, 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.

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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*.

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



*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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