

4th Sunday of Easter

April 30th, 2023

10:30 a.m.

PRELUDE *This Is My Father's World* Sheppard/Arr. Kaiser

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

INTROIT

✠ CALL TO WORSHIP *from* Psalm 146

One: Jesus Christ is risen!

All: **He is risen indeed!**

One: Let us sing praises to the living God.

All: **We sing praises to God, who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that fills them.**

One: Let us give thanks to the living God.

All: **We give thanks to God, who heals the broken and lifts up those who are bowed down.**

One: Let us worship the living God.

All: **With joy and hope, we worship the living God.**

✠ HYMN OF PRAISE *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing* #610, vv. 1-4

✠ PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Living God, your blessings surround us. You give us rain from above. You nourish our souls. You heal our wounds and bind us up when we are broken. And still, we look through you. We seek to put our trust in human things – in those we deem powerful or influential, in things that will help us succeed, in systems that lift us up and put others down. Forgive us, Lord. Help us to turn from these worthless things and turn toward you; and send us out to be channels of your blessing in the world. Amen.

✠ ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

One: To all who turn from sin in sorrow, to all who turn to God in hope, this is God's word of grace:

All: **We are accepted, we are forgiven, we are loved.**

One: This is the gift we have from God.

All: **Thanks be to God!**

✠ RESPONSE *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing* #610, v. 5

✠ 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.

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 *How Firm a Foundation* #463

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

HEBREW BIBLE READING Jeremiah 1:4-10 p. 698 OT

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM *Deep River* John Leavitt

NEW TESTAMENT READING Acts 13:1-3 p. 131 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 *Fairest Lord Jesus* Arr. Greer

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

✠ Prayer of Dedication

✠ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *from* The Confession of 1967

Wherever the church exists, its members are both gathered in corporate life and dispersed in society for the sake of mission in the world. The church disperses to serve God wherever its members are, at work or play, in private or in the life of society. Our witness is the church's evangelism. Our daily action in the world is the church in mission to the world. Each of us is the church in the world, endowed by the Spirit with some gift of ministry and we are responsible for the integrity of our witness in each particular situation. We are entitled to the guidance and support of the Christian community and, in turn, we help to guide the church.

✠ HYMN OF SENDING *Go to the World!* #295

✠ BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

✠ POSTLUDE *Solfeggietto in C Minor* C.P.E. Bach

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

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Tim Reynolds – Pastor
Sarah Morgan – Pastor
Marty McLean – Liturgist
Matthew Mimbs – Director of Music & Arts
John Lasater – Organist
2nd Presbyterian Chancel Choir

Ushers: Tim Wright, Liz Peebles, Kim Hudgens, and Janis Smith
Technicians: Dale Henley (video) and Neal Henley (audio)

WORSHIP

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

April 30	Acts 13:1-3; 14:8-18	Paul's Mission
May 7	Romans 1:1-17	The Gospel as Salvation
May 14	Romans 5:1-11	God's Love Poured Out
May 21	Romans 6:1-14	The Hope of Resurrection

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

5th SUNDAY WORSHIP IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL: THIS MORNING we are worshiping in the Fellowship Hall instead of the Sanctuary. We are honoring our graduates during the service. Our 2023 graduates are: Brooke Frohlich (UTK – MSW), Max Jones (Pellissippi – AAS), Seth Reynolds (UTK – BS), Lily Reynolds (Bearden HS), Daniel Robertson (King College – MSW), Will Pruitt (UTK – BS). Following worship is a Graduate Recognition luncheon. The cost is \$10. All are invited.

CONNECT

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN will meet on Tuesday, May 9th at 10 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall for its monthly meeting. Dick and Lauren Dodson will be with us to present a mission report on our *FISH PROGRAM*, one of the church's oldest mission outreach efforts. Helen Grant will conclude this year's Bible study on gentile converts in the first century A.D. All members and visitors of the church are welcome!

SECOND READERS BOOK CLUB will meet on May 10th, at 11:30 a.m. in the Buckingham Clubhouse. We are reading *The Giver of Stars* by Jojo Moyes. Bring your lunch and join us. All are welcome! Questions? Call Margaret Sullivan, at (865) 588-3103.

WOMEN'S CONFERENCE at Montreat is August 11-13. It is sure to be a wonderful time of fellowship, learning, and worship. If you are interested in learning more about the conference and those leading worship, or bible study, go to www.montreat.org. If you are interested in attending, please let Pastor Sarah know by May 31st. Workshop registration will open on May 1st, and workshops fill up quickly, so if you want the first choice of workshops, let Pastor Sarah know you'd like to attend TODAY.

GREAT NAPKIN GIVEAWAY, TODAY ONLY! The napkins are gently used - some more than others. Badly stained napkins have been eliminated. The church is keeping 120 napkins which should cover all our needs. The napkins will be in the Atrium.

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.

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*.

GO

PRAGMATIC PRESBYTERIANS is a group of members and friends committed to responding in gratitude to God's love and grace by following Jesus and serving him among Knoxville residents who are experiencing the impacts of poverty. We will meet at 7 p.m. on Wednesdays May 10th and 24th in the Barbour Room. Contact Kathy Duggan (kduggan55@gmail.com) or Janis Smith (smithjb1@gmail.com) for more information or if you would like to attend via Zoom.

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!

SUPPORT

WEST VIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CARNIVAL May 5th, 4 p.m. – 7 p.m. Please come for a day of fun activities, games, booths, food, and much more. Second will be serving popcorn. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Tracy Horton (865) 805-1728 or Tim Wright (865) 617-4025.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING: There will be a congregational meeting at the end of worship on Sunday, May 7th, for the purpose of electing elders to the session class of 2026.

BLOOD DRIVE: The Medic Regional Blood Center Mobile Donor Bus will be in our parking lot on May 9th, 1 p.m. – 6 p.m. Please consider donating. To schedule an appointment call (865) 524-3074 or visit www.tndonor.org. If you want more information about how the process is, please pick up a copy of *A Guide for New Donors* Brochure in the Atrium.

THIS WEEK IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Sunday, April 30th

9:30 a.m. Faith, Science & The Future Class (Barbour Room)
10:30 a.m. Worship (Fellowship Hall)
11:30 a.m. Graduation Luncheon

Monday, May 1st

10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting (Barbour Room)

Tuesday, May 2nd

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

Wednesday, May 3rd

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

Thursday, May 4th

1:00 p.m. GO Team (Barbour Room)

Sunday, May 7th

9:30 a.m. Faith, Science & The Future Class (Barbour Room)
10:30 a.m. Worship 5th Sunday (Fellowship Hall)


PRAYER CONCERNS

Leslie Testerman, Gerry Turner, Cheryl Ragsdale, Jerry Young,
Arlys Milligan, Beverli White, and Brice Gilmer.

*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

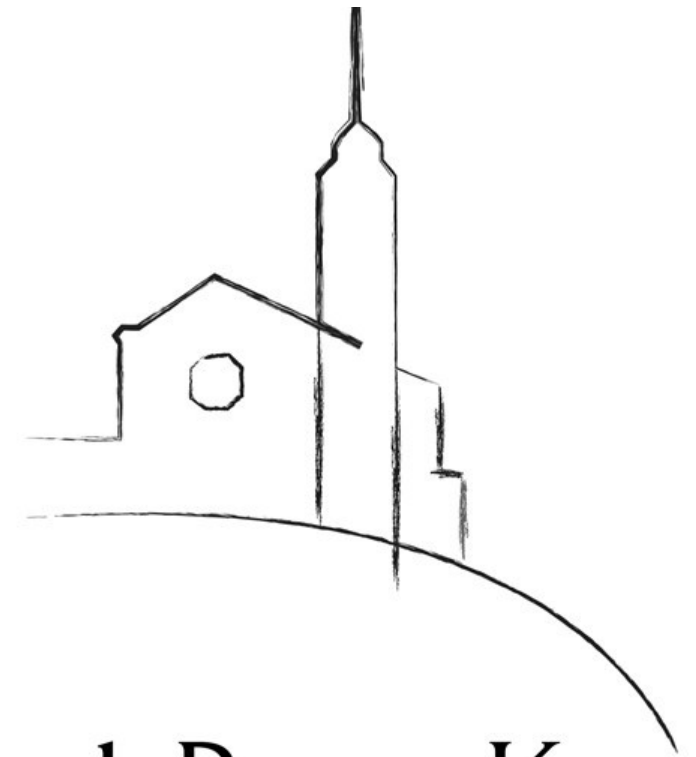
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WI-FI NETWORK: Our Wi-fi network is for use by anyone who visits the building. The network is "Second Presbyterian Church", and the password is *Psalm100*.

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



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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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