

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

April 7th, 2024

10:30 a.m.

PRELUDE *Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken* Haydn/arr. Boud

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

INTROIT

✠ CALL TO WORSHIP *from* The Scots Confession (1560)

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

All: And also with you.

One: We confess and acknowledge one God alone,

All: To whom we must cleave,

One: Whom alone we must serve,

All: Whom only we must worship,

One: And in whom alone we put our trust.

All: We come to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. All praise and glory belong to you!

PROCESSION OF THE TARTANS

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

BLESSING OF THE TARTANS

One: Raise your Tartans!

All: We raise them up to the Lord!

One: On behalf of all clans represented here, we raise these tartans before Almighty God in gratitude for our heritage, and we pray God's blessing on God's servant people in all lands.

All: Eternal God, bless these symbols of heritage, and grant that those who carry them and those who wear them, and the families they represent, may do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you.

One: We proclaim that we are all united in the covenant of Jesus Christ, for there is but one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of us all. Let us pray...

Prayer of Blessing

✠ HYMN OF PRAISE *Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven* #620

✠ PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Jesus Christ, long ago you saved your disciples from the fiercest of storms and they marveled that the wind and the waves obeyed you. We confess this morning that while the wind and waves may obey you, we do not. We ignore your commands and continually do what we think is best for us. All creation honors you, Lord, except for us human beings, whom you made its crown. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Lord. Forgive us and fill us with your Holy Spirit, that we may know the joy and freedom of obedience to you. Amen.

✠ ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

One: As far as the east is from the west, so far has God removed our transgressions from us. I declare to us all, in the name of Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven.

All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Amen.

✠ RESPONSE *Will You Come and Follow Me* #726, 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. Following this time, children through 1st grade are invited to Children's Church.

OFFERING OUR LIVES TO GOD

Offertory *Celtic Prayer*

arr. Purifoy

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

✠ Prayer of Dedication

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

HEBREW BIBLE READING Psalm 23 p. 501 OT

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING Luke 8:22-25 p. 67 NT

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED **Tim Reynolds**

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Lord's Table

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 *If Thou but Suffer God to Guide Thee* *arr. Manz*
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.

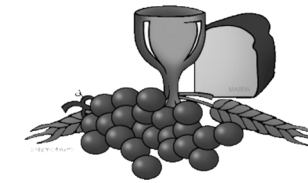
✠ HYMN OF SENDING *Amazing Grace* #649

✠ BENEDICTION AND CHORAL BENEDICTION

✠ RECESSIONAL

✠ POSTLUDE *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* *arr. Anna Laura Page*

✠ 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.**

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Tim Reynolds – Pastor

Sarah Morgan – Pastor

Matthew Mimbs – Director of Music & Arts

John Lasater – Organist

Chris Riedl – Bagpipes

Charles White – Beadle

2nd Presbyterian Chancel Choir

Ushers: Betsy and Bruce Foster and Tim Wright
Technicians: Neal Henley (video); Elizabeth Seastrunk (audio)

WORSHIP

UPCOMING SERMON TEXTS AND TOPICS: Today we conclude our Lenten sermon series, *Jesus' Most Pointed Questions*. We will continue the question theme through Pentecost with our Easter sermon series, *Our Most Critical Questions*.

April 7	Luke 8:22-25	Our Most Critical Questions: <i>Is It Okay to Question God?</i>
April 14	Matt. 4:1-11	Our Most Critical Questions: <i>What Do We Do When We Face Temptation?</i>
April 21	John 3:1-18	Our Most Critical Questions: <i>What Does It Mean to Be Born Again?</i>
April 28	John 4:5-42	Our Most Critical Questions: <i>How Do We Talk to Others About God?</i>

THE FLOWERS THIS WEEK are given to the glory of God and in memory of loved ones by Kathryn Kinnard Freeman.

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, there are self-serve cups available at the entrance to the sanctuary.

SUPPORT

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.



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.

CONNECT

FELLOWSHIP TIME: All are invited to stay for coffee, cookies, and a time of fellowship following worship each week.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN will meet this **Tuesday, April 9**, from 10:00–11:45 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Our mission speaker is Kristi Whitehead, the director of Isaiah 117 House for Knox County. Whitehead returns from 2022 to update us on the progress the organization is making in providing a temporary sanctuary for children in crisis and separated from their parents. The Bible Study will feature a gentile woman (loving the Jewish God), wealthy and powerful in some ways but marginalized for gender in the Jewish culture. All members and visitors, both genders, are welcome to join us in study, worship, and fellowship!

2ND WEDNESDAY @ 2ND: Join us THIS **Wednesday, April 10th** as we explore with KARM's Pastor Mychal Spence the organization's programs which reach out and help the homeless and hurting – both inside and outside the ministry's walls. Dinner will be catered by members of KARM's Abundant Life Catering program which trains chefs and others who will be working in the restaurant industry. Dinner will include pot roast, sautéed green beans, green salad, yeast rolls and assorted cookies for dessert. (Voluntary donations are appreciated).



DISCOVERY LUNCHEON: If you are interested in joining 2nd Presbyterian Church, know someone who is, or just want to know more about being Presbyterian, we invite you to come to our Discovery Luncheon following worship on **Sunday, April 28th**. Pastor Tim will lead us in learning about the Presbyterian Church, the Reformed Tradition, and 2nd Presbyterian Church. Following the luncheon, those wishing to unite with this congregation in membership will be given the opportunity to do so. There is no cost for the lunch, but we do ask that you make a reservation in advance by calling the church office or registering with the QR code by Thursday, April 25th at noon.

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*.

THE WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY will resume on **April 17** with a study led by Pastor Tim on Philemon. Join us for fellowship and study in the library or via Zoom at 6:30 p.m. Those wishing to join via Zoom can do so by clicking the link on the home page of our website.

GO

UKIRK @ UTK: This year, UKirk is honoring its 2024 graduating seniors with a goal of having 2,024 people donate at least \$10 during the month of April. Please consider making a donation of \$10 or more to honor UKirk's Senior Class of 2024. Just go to www.UKirkUTK.org and click on the donate button or write a check payable to UKirk UTK. Thank you for supporting UKirk and our students!

THIS WEEK IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Sunday, April 7th – Kirkin' o' the Tartans

- 9:15 a.m. Choir Practice (Sanctuary)
- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
 - Faith, Science & The Future (Barbour Room)
 - Elementary School (Room 206)
 - Middle & High School (Youth Room)
- 10:30 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)

Monday, April 8th

- 5:30 p.m. Preschool Staff Small Group (Youth Room)

Tuesday, April 9th

- 10:00 a.m. Presbyterian Women (Fellowship Hall)
- 6:00 p.m. Worship team (Barbour Room)

Wednesday, April 10th

- 11:30 a.m. 2nd Readers Book Club (Buckingham Clubhouse)
- 6:00 p.m. 2nd Wednesday Dinner & Program (Fellowship Hall)
- 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice (Sanctuary)

Sunday, April 14th

- 9:15 a.m. Choir Practice (Sanctuary)
- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:30 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)

PRAYER CONCERNS

Susan Taggart, Jim and Mariann Thuesen, The family of Brice Gilmer, Dick Smith, Frances Yow, Donna Downen, Doux Robertson, Gerry Turner, 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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