

4th Sunday of Easter

May 11th, 2025

10:30 a.m.

PRELUDE *Allein Gott in der Höh sei Ehr'* *Michael Praetorius*

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

INTROIT

✠CALL TO WORSHIP *based on* Psalm 8; Genesis 1

One: Alleluia! Christ is risen!
All: Christ is risen indeed!
 One: O Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!
All: You have set your glory above the heavens.
 One: You made the light and the dark; you stretched the sky over the waters.
All: You made the seas and the dry land and caused plants to grow. You scattered the stars in the sky.
 One: When I look at your heavens, the works of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have established;
All: We feel so small and wonder – what are human beings that you are mindful of us; what are human beings that you care for us?
 One: You made us in your image, and you called all creation ‘good.’
All: O Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

✠HYMN OF PRAISE *Come Great God of All the Ages* #309, vv. 1-3

✠PRAYER OF CONFESSION
Holy God, you remind us of your presence with us, but we admit that sometimes we don’t recognize it. Sometimes we are blind to the ways you are moving all around us. We are blind to the ways you are calling us to be a part of your work in the world. And, if we’re honest, we are more content when we can’t hear your call, because answering that call is difficult. It requires things of us that we are reluctant to give. Forgive us, God, when we ignore your presence – when we ignore your voice. Continue to remind us of your call to make disciples of all nations, through sharing the good news and being the people you call us to be. Amen.

✠ASSURANCE OF GOD’S LOVE
 One: We are an Easter people, forgiven and freed.
All: We are an Easter people, ready to sing to God’s glory and testify to God’s grace!

✠RESPONSE *Come Great God of All the Ages* #309, v. 4

✠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.

✠HYMN OF PREPARATION *God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending* #716

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.**

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

HEBREW BIBLE READING Jeremiah 29:1-7 p. 731 OT
 This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM *Celtic Prayer* *arr. John Purifoy*

NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 28:16-20 p. 34 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 *A Ring of Bells* *John G. Barr*
 ✠Response *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* #606
 ✠Prayer of Dedication

SERVICE OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION
 Statement on Ordination and Installation
 Reaffirmation of the Baptismal Covenant
 ✠Profession of Faith – *from* The Confession of 1967
To be reconciled to God is to be sent into the world as God’s reconciling community. This community, the church universal, is entrusted with God’s message of reconciliation and shares God’s labor of healing the enmities which separate us from God and from each other. Christ has called the church to this mission and given it the gift of the Holy Spirit. The church maintains continuity with the apostles and with Israel by faithful obedience to this call. The church disperses to serve God wherever its members are, at work or play, in private or in the life of society. Their prayer and Bible study are part of the church’s worship and theological reflection. Their witness is the church’s evangelism. Their daily action in the world is the church in mission to the world.

Prayer of Thanksgiving
 Anointing
 Constitutional Questions
 Prayer of Ordination and Laying on of Hands
 Declaration of Ordination and Installation
 Charge & Welcome

✠HYMN OF SENDING *We All Are One in Mission* #733

✠BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

✠POSTLUDE *Prelude in C Major BWV 553* *J.S. Bach*

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

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Sarah Morgan – Pastor
 Tim Reynolds – Pastor
 Dana Hendrix – Liturgist
 Matthew Mimbs – Director of Music & Arts
 Sarah J. Warner – Organist
 2nd Presbyterian Chancel Choir

Ushers: John & Lisa Henley, Bill Ragsdale, Mary Kay Sullivan
Technicians: Neal Henley (video); Paul Sexauer (audio)

WORSHIP

UPCOMING SERMON TEXTS AND TOPICS: Jesus’ Kingdom Mission has come to a conclusion. For the next 3 weeks we will be looking at Jesus’ post-Resurrection appearances.

May 11	Matthew 28:16-20	The Life of Jesus: <i>Appears to Disciples</i>
May 18	Acts 1:3-12	The Life of Jesus: <i>Ascension</i>
May 25	Psalm 67	Called to Praise God
June 1	James 1:1-4	Faith in Action: <i>Real Faith for Real Life</i>

THE FLOWERS THIS WEEK are given to the glory of God, in loving memory of our mother and grandmothers and in honor and memory of your mothers and grandmothers from the Barbour family. They are also given to the glory of God, in memory of our mothers, Catherine Beals & Wanda Johnson by Brent Beals, Joe Beals III, and Bill Johnson.

TODAY WE ORDAIN AND INSTALL new elders to the Session Class of 2028. If you have been ordained in any Presbyterian Church, you are invited to come forward for the laying on of hands. Our elders-elect are Lauren Dodson (ordain/install), Kathy Duggan (ordain/install), Cleston Jones (install), and Geoffrey Kennedy (ordain/install).

CONNECT

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

SECOND WEDNESDAY DINNER is on Wednesday, May 14th! Dinner is Fried Chicken and sides, and the activity is Bingo. Join us to celebrate the end of school and the beginning of Summer!

SECOND READERS BOOK CLUB is meeting in the MARY CHAMBERS ROOM on May 21st at 11:30 am. The book for this month is *The Housemaid is Watching* by Freida McFadden. If you have any questions, please contact Margaret Sullivan at 865-363-3967.

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.

GROW

THE FAITH, SCIENCE & THE FUTURE SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS meets in the Barbour Room at 9:30 a.m. weekly. This class studies current events through the lens of faith using a weekly curriculum called *The Wired Word*. All are invited – join us!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED in the nursery and preschool! Please contact Holly Grimm at (865) 243-6353 if you are interested.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN meets next Tuesday, May 13 at 10 am in the Fellowship Hall, and hosts its final mission in its spring study—Living Waters for the World—one of the most philanthropic mission groups in the U.S.A. The mission's administrative staff is tiny, and the program is operated mostly by volunteers. William Milam, a member of Westminster Presbyterian Church, Knoxville, and a Living Waters volunteer, will discuss this mission and his role in the Dominican Republic.

GO

FISH MISSION DONATIONS: We are currently asking you to direct your monetary gifts directly to the Fish designated fund rather than donating items. You can contribute via Realm, the church website, or by check. Monthly donations would be most helpful. FISH meets on the 4th Tuesday of the month to pack and/or deliver. If you'd like to help, contact Dick Dodson at rdodson52@gmail.com.

FAMILY PROMISE OF KNOXVILLE, through the support of local churches, offers a place of safety and shelter by utilizing spaces available at its members' churches to provide meals and overnight housing. Knoxville First Seventh-Day Adventist Church provides meals and overnight housing for families May 11-18. Second Presbyterian has the honor of helping to ready the facility for the week on Sunday afternoon, May 11th, and serving the evening meal on Friday, May 16. If you are interested, please contact Kathy Duggan or Janis Smith via email or text. Kathy: kduggan55@gmail.com (865) 441-8683; Janis: smithjb1@gmail.com (615) 260-7784

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 *Psalms100*.

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



FRIDAY E-NEWS: If you are not receiving the Friday E-News and would like to, please email Jack Rosamond (jrosamond@2ndpres.org) and let him know you would like to be added to the list.

LOST & FOUND items will be donated on May 26th. If you are missing anything, please claim it or email Jack Rosamond to collect the item. Our lost and found is in the hallway between the kitchen and atrium.

THIS WEEK IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Sunday, May 11th

- 9:15 a.m. Choir Practice (Sanctuary)
- 9:30 a.m. Faith, Science & The Future Class (Barbour Room)
- 10:30 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)
- 11:30 a.m. Fellowship Time

Tuesday, May 13th

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

Wednesday, May 14th

- 6:00 p.m. 2nd Wednesday Dinner (Fellowship Hall)

Sunday, May 18th

- 9:15 a.m. Choir Practice (Sanctuary)
- 9:30 a.m. Faith, Science & The Future Class (Barbour Room)
- 10:30 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)

PRAYER CONCERNS

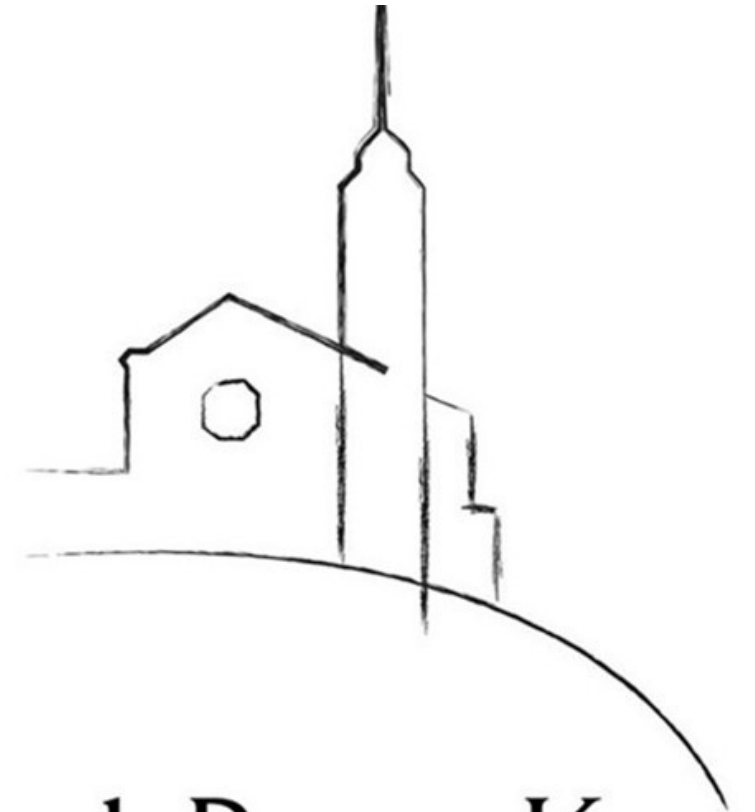
Mark Jenkins, Mancil Milligan, Janet Chadwick,
Bill Roach, Jr., Donna Downen, and Arlys Milligan

*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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*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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