

6th Sunday after Pentecost

June 30th, 2024

10:30 a.m.

PRELUDE *Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us* arr. Fred Bock

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

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

All: And also with you.

One: The God of Mt. Sinai who proclaimed, "I am the Lord your God,"

All: is the God who summons us.

One: The God of the wilderness who sent bread with the morning dew

All: is the God who loves us.

One: The God who invites the poor, the crippled, the blind, and the lame to feast at his table

All: is the God who makes room at his table for us.

One: The invitation stretches far and wide.

All: Let us taste and see that the Lord is good.

HYMN OF PRAISE *I Come with Joy* #515, omit v. 2

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We are always uncomfortable, Watching God, when you notice how we want to sit in the seats of honor. We can be so successful, so good, so well-off, that it is easy for us to imagine we are superior to the poor. We are so busy completing our daily "to-do" lists, that we forget to do good when we have the chance. Forgive us, Inviting and Welcoming God. Fill our emptiness with your grace and humility, that we would spend our lives alongside Jesus, our Lord and Savior, throwing a party for the poor, the damaged, the prisoner, the lost, and the oppressed. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

One: After what God has done for us, what can anyone or any thing do to us? Hear the Good News: we are new people, graced by our loving God.

All: Forgiven, embraced, and welcomed by our God, we will offer open hearts and serving hands to everyone we meet. Thanks be to God!

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 on the table and pass it around.

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 *Help Us Accept Each Other* #754

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.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

HEBREW BIBLE READING Isaiah 25:6-10 p. 652 OT

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM *Oh, Glory* arr. Hall Johnson

Teyah Young – Soprano

GOSPEL READING Luke 14:1-24 p. 77 NT

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Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED Sarah Morgan

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

OFFERING OUR LIVES TO GOD

Offertory *Jesus Loves Me* arr. Fred Bock

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

Prayer of Dedication

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH from The Confession of 1967

Biblical visions and images of the rule of Christ: a heavenly city, a father's house, a new heaven and earth, a marriage feast, and an unending day culminate in the image of the kingdom. The kingdom represents the triumph of God over all that resists his will and disrupts his creation. Already, God's reign is present as a ferment in the world, stirring hope in human beings...With an urgency born of this hope, the church applies itself to present tasks and strives for a better world. In steadfast hope, the church looks beyond all partial achievement to the final triumph of God.

SERVICE OF RECOGNITION FOR DEPARTING MEMBERS – John & Jay Lasater

HYMN OF SENDING *For Everyone Born* #769, omit v. 4

BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE *How Great Thou Art* arr. John Lasater

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

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Sarah Morgan – Pastor

Clara Hardin – Liturgist

Matthew Mimbs – Director of Music & Arts

John Lasater – Organist

Teyah Young – Soloist

2nd Presbyterian Chancel Choir

Ushers: Doug Barbour, Mary Kay Sullivan, and Janis Smith
Technicians: Elizabeth Seastrunk (video); Paul Sexauer (audio)

WORSHIP

UPCOMING SERMON TEXTS AND TOPICS: Our first sermon series of the summer is called *Dinner with Jesus*. A significant part of Jesus' ministry and mission was long meals shared with disparate people around a common table. Following the Gospel of Luke, we will join Jesus around a meal each week to learn more about who he is, what he cares about, and who he welcomes.

June 30	Luke 14:1-24	Dinner with Jesus: <i>A Pharisee Leader's House</i>
July 7	Luke 24:13-35	Dinner with Jesus: <i>Cleopas' House</i>
July 14	Gen 5:1-2, 18-24	Obscure Characters of the HB: <i>Enoch</i>
July 21	Gen 14:17-20	Obscure Characters of the HB: <i>Melchizedek</i>

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

PASTOR TIM IS AWAY THIS MORNING. He officiated the wedding of Carter DePoy in Staunton, VA last night. Carter was a UTK student who attended 2nd during her time here.

TODAY IS JOHN LASATER'S LAST DAY WITH US. He is moving with his son to Pellham, AL. Please join us for a farewell reception following worship as we thank John for his beautiful music and faithful service the last two years.

TODAY IS A 5TH SUNDAY. Worship is in the Fellowship Hall. If you're in the sanctuary, you're in the wrong place!

CONNECT

WOMEN'S CONNECTION AT MONTREAT is happening on August 9-11. The Presbyterian Women Conference is a great opportunity to spend time with God and connect with both old and new friends. If you're interested in attending, you can check out the workshops and register online at: <https://montreat.org/events/wc-2024>.

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. on Sundays. This class studies current events through the lens of faith using a weekly curriculum called *The Wired Word*.

SUMMER BREEZE SUNDAY SCHOOL: Beginning NEXT Sunday, Pastor Tim will be teaching a special Sunday School class each Sunday during July and August at 9:30 a.m. in the Mary Chambers Room. We will be reading and discussing the book *Think You're Wrong (But I'm Listening): a guide to grace-filled political conversations* by Sarah Stewart Holland & Beth Silvers. The book is available at all major retail and online booksellers. We also have a limited number available to purchase through the church office on a first-come-first-serve-while-supplies-last basis. The cost is \$11.08 per book.

GO

COMPASSION COALITION OPPORTUNITY: The First Seventh Day Adventist Church (our neighbor on Kingston Pike) will host 3 families with small children who are unhoused from Sunday, July 7, through Saturday, July 13. Help is needed next Sunday from 2-4 p.m. to ready the house for overnight guests. Evening meals for 10 adults (includes 4 volunteers) and 5 children are needed twice in that week. If you are interested and able, please contact Janis Smith at smithjb1@gmail.com or 615-260-7784 to offer help.

JOIN THE COMPASSION COALITION FOR THE COST OF POVERTY EXPERIENCE (COPE) at Fellowship Church (8000 Middlebrook Pike) Saturday, July 20, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. This poverty simulation breaks down preconceived notions of poverty. In just 3 hours it allows you to live a month in the life of a low-income family, seeing the world through their eyes, feeling the chaos and anxiety of poverty. You will come away forever changed. Please arrive a little early to fill out a survey. RSVPs are required by July 16. RSVP to training@compassioncoalition.org. Cost: \$25 per person. Training materials are provided. Pay online at <https://compassioncoalition.org/donate/> and put COPE in the comment. Further details are available in the Friday E-news.

SUPPORT

PLEASE BE GOOD STEWARDS AND TURN OFF THE LIGHTS: If you or your group are the last to leave the church building on a given evening. PLEASE – turn out the lights as you leave to help us conserve energy and save money! Thank you!

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.



THIS WEEK IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Sunday, June 30th

- 9:15 a.m. Choir Practice (Sanctuary)
- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:30 a.m. Fifth Sunday Worship in the Fellowship Hall
- 11:45 a.m. Farewell Reception for John Lasater (Fellowship Hall)

Monday, July 1st

- 10:00 a.m. Staff meeting (Barbour Room)
- 5:30 p.m. Preschool Staff Small Group (Youth Room)

Tuesday, July 2nd

- 5:00 p.m. Facilities Support Team (Zoom)
- 7:00 p.m. UKirk Basketball (Gym)

Wednesday, July 3rd

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

Thursday, July 4th

Office Closed – Independence Day

Saturday, July 6th

- 7:00 p.m. First Pres Whippany (Gym, Youth Room, Classroom)

Sunday, July 7th

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

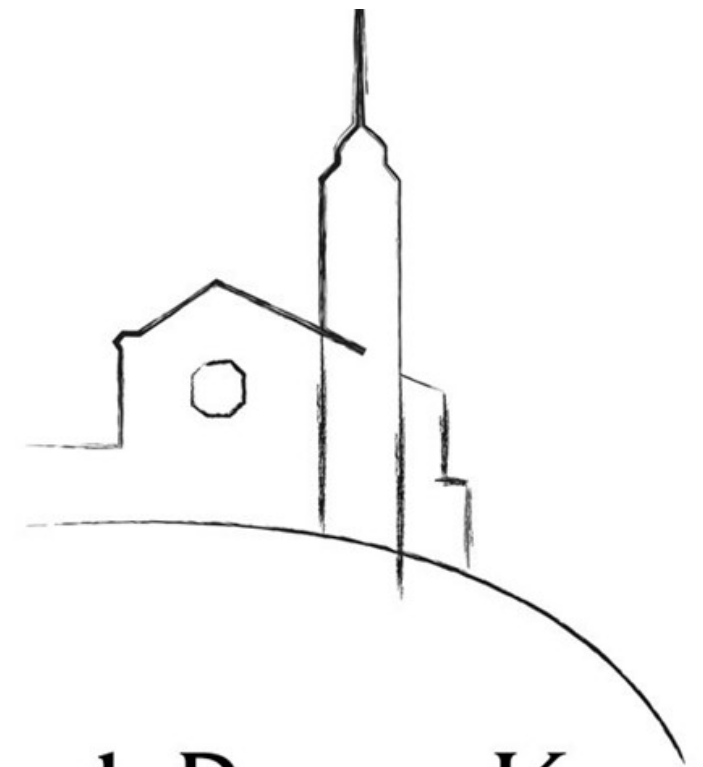
PRAYER CONCERNS

The family of Tom Simpson, Bob Campbell, Doux Robertson, Donna Downen, 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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*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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