

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 18th, 2022

11:00 a.m.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

GOSPEL READING Matthew 28:19-20 p. 34 NT
This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM *A Jubilant Song* *Allen Pote*

HEBREW BIBLE READING Genesis 12:1-9 p. 10 OT
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THE WORD PROCLAIMED **Tim Reynolds**

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

✦ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *from* The 2nd Helvetic Confession (1566)
Our works ought not to be done in order that we may earn eternal life by them, for, as the apostle says, eternal life is the gift of God. Nor are they to be done for ostentation or for gain, but for the glory of God, to adorn our calling, to show gratitude to God, and for the profit of the neighbor. For our Lord says in the Gospel: “Let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.”

OFFERING OUR LIVES TO GOD
Offertory *Worthy of Worship* *Blankenship / arr. Hamlin*
✦ Response *Now Thank We All Our God* #643, v. 3
✦ Prayer of Dedication

✦ HYMN OF SENDING *God! When Human Bonds Are Broken*
AUSTRIAN HYMN

✦ BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

✦ POSTLUDE *Toccata Jubilate on ‘He Is Exalted’* *F. Bock*

✦ THOSE WHO ARE ABLE PLEASE STAND

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

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

Ushers: Kim Hudgens, Doug Matthews, Leslie Matthews, and Cleston Jones
Technicians: Elizabeth Seastrunk (video) and Matthew Lowe (audio)

SERMON NOTES

There is no greater expression of love than a freely submitted _____!

God wishes for us to _____.

We can choose to be _____ or _____.

The _____ becomes the _____ through the power of God.

PRELUDE *The God of Abraham Praise* *arr. Powell*

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

INTROIT

✦ CALL TO WORSHIP *from* Psalm 33

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

All: And also with you.

One: Rejoice in the Lord!

All: Praise God with the lyre; sing him a new song.

One: The word of the Lord is upright, and all his work is done in faithfulness.

All: Let all the inhabitants of the earth stand in awe of him.

One: The faithfulness of the Lord is upon them.

All: Our souls wait for the Lord, and our hearts are glad in him.

✦ HYMN OF PRAISE *Praise and Thanksgiving* BUNESSAN

✦ PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, we confess how hard it is to be your people. You have called us to be the church, to continue the mission of Jesus Christ to our lonely and confused world. Yet we acknowledge we are more apathetic than active, isolated than involved, callous than compassionate, obstinate than obedient, legalistic than loving. Have mercy on us, Lord, and forgive us for the ways we fail to share your love with a broken world; and awaken our hearts to the promised gift of your Spirit. In Christ’s name we pray. Amen.

✦ ASSURANCE OF GOD’S LOVE

One: Friends, hear the good news: Nothing we have done, nothing we will ever do is enough to separate us from the love of God made known in Christ Jesus.

All: In the name of Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven, and our lives are made new. Thanks be to God!

✦ RESPONSE *I Then Shall Live* FINLANDIA

✦ 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.

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.

We are currently in Covid Phase GREEN. There are no Covid precautions.

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 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. 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.

Sept. 18	Genesis 12:1-9	The Call of Abraham
Sept. 25	Genesis 39:1-23	Joseph in Prison
Oct. 2	Exodus 14:5-7, 10-14, 21-29	Rescue at the Sea
Oct. 9	Exodus 19:3-7; 20:1-17	Covenant & Commandments

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

CONNECT

IT’S NOT TO LATE TO JOIN THE DISCOVERY CLASS, which began this morning and will continue the next three Sunday mornings, concluding on Sunday, October 9th. We gather at 9:45 a.m. in the Library/Fireside Room to chat about being Presbyterian and to learn more about 2nd Presbyterian Church. Those who are thinking of uniting in membership with this congregation are encouraged to attend. Pastor Tim will lead the discussion.

GROW

THE FAITH SCIENCE & THE FUTURE SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS meets in the Barbour Room at 9:45.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN representatives will attend a fall Spiritual Retreat on Sat., October 8, 2022, sponsored by Presbyterian Women of the Presbytery of East Tennessee. It will be held at beautiful John Knox Center near Kingston, Tennessee, and attendees will carpool from Second Church for the trip. The guest speaker is Nancy Dimmock, a well-known health missionary in Africa, and one that Second Church has helped sponsor for many years. \$10.00 charge for lunch. DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION Tues., Sept. 20. Call Helen Grant for more information: 865-693-1980

THE SEPTEMBER – OCTOBER UPPER ROOM devotional books are available, in the narthex and vestibule.

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SCHOOL COUPON BOOKS READY FOR DISTRIBUTION

For those who have pre-ordered books, or who would like to purchase them, Sandra will be in the Atrium the next two Sunday’s (18th and 25th) during Coffee Hour as well as after the Church Service. Sandra Butler (865) 659-4416 cell or (865) 584-4397

THIS WEEK IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Sunday, September 18th

- 9:45 a.m. Choir Practice (Sanctuary)
- Discovery Class (Library)
- Faith, Science & The Future Sunday (Barbour Room)
- 11:00 a.m. Worship

Monday, September 19th

- 12:00 p.m. Pre-School Board Meeting (Zoom)

Tuesday, September 20th

- 4:00 p.m. Deadline for *Second Edition*
- 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts Meeting (Gym & Scout Room)

Wednesday, September 21st

- 12:00 p.m. Compassionate Cuisine Home Meal Delivery (Fellowship Hall)

Sunday, September 23rd

- 9:45 a.m. Choir Practice (Sanctuary)
- Discovery Class (Library)
- Faith, Science & The Future Sunday (Barbour Room)
- 11:00 a.m. Worship

PRAYER CONCERNS

Nancy Wallis, Elizabeth Wallace, Arlys Milligan, Beverli White, Bobbie Denton, Charles Wu, Doux Robertson, Fran McLean, Frances Johnson, Jerry Young, Pat Winger, Peter Douglas Hamilton, and the family of Pam Maples.

**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.*

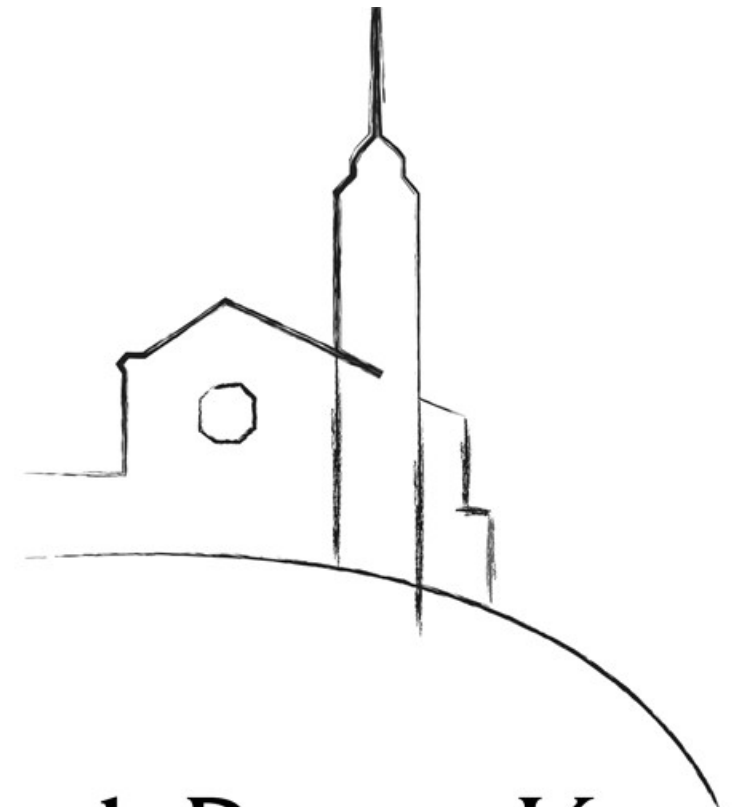
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WI-FI NETWORK: Our Wi-fi network is for use by anyone who visits the building. The network is “Second Presbyterian Church”, and the password is *Psalm100*.

OFFERING PLATES are at the entrances to the sanctuary if you would like to make a financial gift to support the ministry and mission of 2nd Presbyterian Church.



2nd Pres Knox

WELCOMING + FAITHFUL + HOPEFUL

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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