

SECOND EDITION

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He is Risen



On Second Thought...

There's a scene in the movie *The Passion of the Christ* where Jesus stumbles on the way to Calvary and his mother rushes to his side exclaiming, "I'm here!" This scene is not in the Scriptures, but we imagine it could be. We can see such a thing happening in our mind's eye. We can understand the longing Mary must have felt to comfort her son in his time of trial. Even though it's fictional, it's a powerful scene. What interests me about this scene, however, is Jesus' reply.

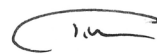
As his mother falls in front of him, Jesus hears her voice and struggles to look at her through the blood, sweat, tears, and grime. Once he sees her he is filled with a new energy – a new excitement – and he declares to her, "See, mother! I am making all things new!" This is, of course, a quote from the book of Revelation – Revelation 2:15 to be exact. The context of the quote in Revelation is the renewal of creation following the final judgment in which all the dead stand before the throne and are judged by the *very One* who gave his life so that all might be saved. John tells us that he saw "a new heaven and a new earth" and that the One seated on the throne declared, "See, I am making all things new."

To connect the Passion with the renewal of all things at the end of the world is a brilliant – and theologically correct – move. Notice, you English students, the tense of the verb Jesus uses, both in Revelation and in the movie. It is in the Present Active Indicative tense, meaning that it is ongoing action; action that is happening as the person is speaking. It seems the movie wants to say that Jesus knew *exactly* what was happening, even as he was suffering.

Many theologians, including our theological forefather John Calvin, have pointed out the same thing – that Jesus knew why his death must occur. Jesus' sacrifice on the cross was no accident – it was *on purpose*. It was his purpose from before he was born: "You will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins." (Matthew 1:21) What really spoke to me in the fictional movie scene is the excitement that Jesus showed, even in the midst of his suffering, at fulfilling his purpose. The energy he drew from this knowledge propelled him further along his mission, difficult as it was. And this is what Easter is all about.

Easter is about making all things new. It is about Christ's death and, most importantly, his resurrection. His resurrection re-creates us as a new people, dead to sin and alive in and for Christ. This Easter season, may you be energized by sharing in Christ's purpose and mission. May sharing that mission with others be a source of excitement for you, even in the midst of any suffering you experience. May you be open to hearing Christ say in your life and in the world, "See! I am making all things new!" May his action in your life be in the same tense as his verb – present and active.

Grace and peace...



Pastor Tim





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Flowering of the Cross

This year we are inviting everyone to take part in our annual “Flowering of the Cross” on Easter Sunday morning, April 1st! Bring flowers from your yard, garden, the store, or even the side of the road with you to worship. We will have a few extras for visitors and anyone who might have forgotten! On Easter Sunday morning, prior to the service, we ask that you come and place your flowers on the cross as you enter the sanctuary and before you take your seat. Following the service (weather permitting) it will be carried outside for all to see and have their pictures made with.

Easter Egg Hunt

Join us Easter Sunday Morning, April 1st at 9:45 a.m. for an Easter egg hunt. Toddlers-5th graders are invited to meet by the pre-school playgrounds to begin their search. Hope to see you there!

One Great Hour of Sharing

The offering will be received Easter Sunday. Join with Presbyterians worldwide in sharing God’s love with our neighbors-in-need around the world by providing relief from natural and human-caused disasters, food for the hungry, and support for the poor and oppressed.

Spring Discovery Class

Are you interested in uniting with this congregation? Just want to learn more about what it means to be Presbyterian? Then our Spring Discovery Class is for you! This class will be held in the Mary Chambers Room during the Sunday School hour (9:30 a.m.) beginning April 22nd and will continue for 4 consecutive Sundays, concluding on May 13th. Pastor Tim will lead discussions on Reformed Theology, Presbyterianism, and the history of Second Presbyterian Church. The class is open to anyone who would like to attend – current members, people wishing to join, those who are curious to find out more about us, or folks who just want to refresh their memories about Presbyterian history and theology. At the conclusion of the class folks who are not members will be given the opportunity to unite with this congregation in membership, if they so desire. A new member Sunday will be held on May 20th for all of those who wish to unite in membership with Second Presbyterian Church.

Class of 2020

The elders elected to the Class of 2020 will be ordained and installed to their new positions during worship on April 29th. Our officers have been undergoing an intense training program during this Lenten season to ensure that they are ready to undertake the mantle of spiritual leadership with and for this congregation. Please be in prayer for our Elders-elect (Monica Casey, Betsy Foster, John Henley, Cleston Jones, Marty McLean, and Margaret Walther) as they approach this special day.

Attention Youth!

June 10-16 Montreat Youth Conference for all current 8th-12th grade students

July 5-8 Massanetta Middle School Conference for all current 5th-8th grade students

Save these dates! More information to come, but go ahead and mark your calendars!

Study on World Religions

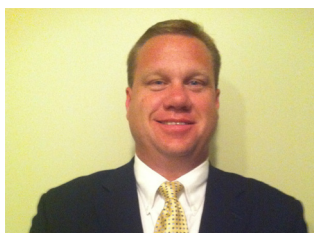
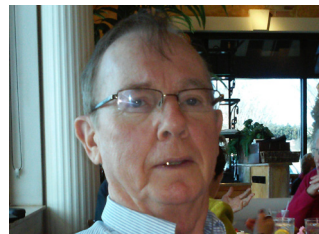
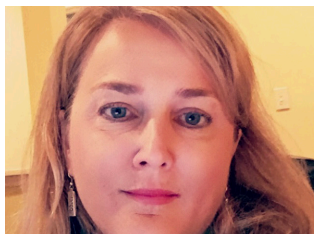
Pastor Tim's Wednesday night study of world religions continues during April. Class starts at 6:15 pm, immediately following dinner. The class schedule is as follows:

April 4th – Buddhism

April 11th – Confucianism

April 18th – Daoism

April 25th – Sikhism



Ministry Unit Meetings

Our new organizational structure goes into effect May 1st. (See chart) You'll remember that we are dividing the ministry of the congregation into five separate Ministry Units, each co-moderated by 2 elders from the Session. These five Ministry Units are: **Worship and Celebration, Service and Outreach, Discipleship, Care and Compassion, and Stewardship.** We encourage you to look at the chart (or better yet, the much more detailed Annual Report) and pray about which area(s) you are gifted and called to serve. Then we invite you to attend one of our organizational meetings in May. The meeting times are listed below and will be the regular meeting time for each Ministry Unit. Depending on where you serve, you may or may not need to attend these meetings regularly. However, we do encourage anyone interested in serving to attend the first meeting of whichever Unit(s) in which the ministry you are interested falls.

Stewardship – 1st Tuesdays @ 6:00 pm (May 1st) *Mary Chambers Room*

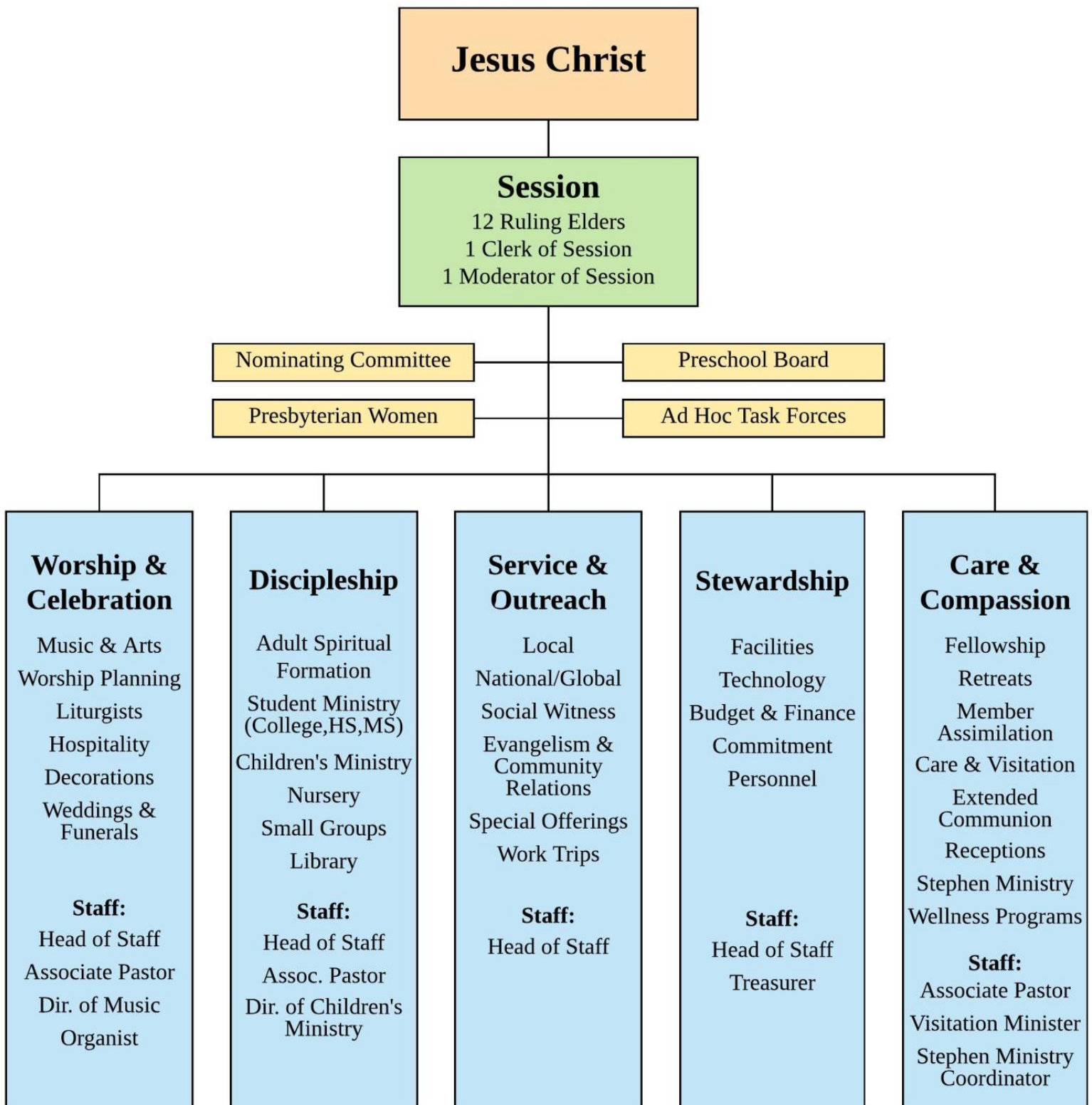
Care & Compassion – 1st Tuesdays @ 6:00 pm (May 1st) *Barbour Room*

Service & Outreach – 1st Tuesdays @ 7:00 pm (May 1st) *Mary Chambers Room*

Worship & Celebration – 2nd Tuesdays @ 6:00 pm (May 8th) *Mary Chambers Room*

Discipleship – 2nd Tuesdays @ 7:00 pm (May 8th) *Mary Chambers Room*





Photograph Ministry

We are looking for a group of individuals to join our **new** Second Presbyterian Photograph Ministry.

We are assembling a team of members who appreciate photography, organization, documentation and the history of this church. Team members will be assigned to take pictures at church events. These pictures will be used in publications to document the present and share what we are doing with the congregation and the community. These pictures will also be stored to document our past for future generations to come.

If you are interested in signing up or learning more about this important ministry, please contact Rachel in the church office (rcarlson@2ndpres.org).

Choir Reunion

As part of the 200th anniversary celebration, there will be a choir reunion on August 18th and 19th. This will include a rehearsal on the 18th and the combined choir will participate in the worship service on the 19th followed by a catered luncheon. We are looking for names and addresses of any current and former choir members - no matter where they are - so that we can send them an invitation. Two former choir directors will be participating as well! Please search your memory banks and share that information with Jan Barber at jbarber@2ndpres.org. Letters need to go out soon so that folks will have time to plan ahead. Thank you for your assistance in this fun and exciting event!!

April Lunch Bunch

The Lunch Bunch program on Tuesday, April 3rd at 11:30 will be Mr. Chris Martin, Executive Director of the Knoxville Leadership Foundation. He will bring us up-to-date on the activities and programs, such as Amachi (mentoring of children who have a parent in prison) and senior assistance programs. Reservations for the lunch are requested.

Did You Know?

Our own Sarah Doyle has been commissioned as a Notary Public. If anyone needs something notarized, contact the church office!

2nd Readers

When? Wednesday, April 18th

Where? Church

Time? 3:45 p.m.

Title: *Grandma Gatewood's Walk*

Author: Ben Montgomery

Leader: Mariann

When? Wednesday, May 16th

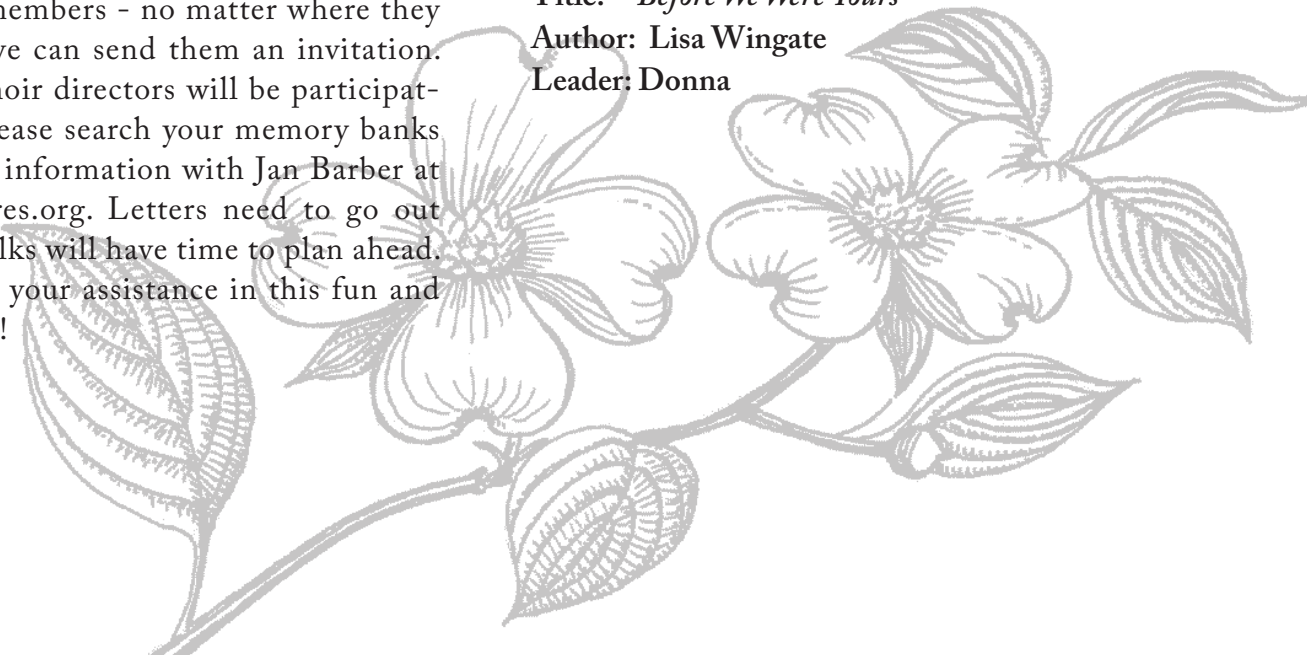
Where? Church

Time? 3:45 p.m.

Title: *Before We Were Yours*

Author: Lisa Wingate

Leader: Donna



Ordinary Man Ministries

"God Uses Ordinary People to Accomplish Extraordinary Things"

Mark and Frances Smith, from Ordinary Man Ministries, will present at the Presbyterian Women luncheon on April 10th at 11:30.

Learn about some extraordinary things and about two books that Frances has written based on true stories. These books are *Cleft of the Rock* and *Thorn in the Flesh*. Their website states, "Our work is inspired by, and heavily based on, true stories that provide undeniable proof that the Lord wants to use ordinary people in His extraordinary work."

Everyone is invited. Lunch is only \$10. If you are not a member of a PW Circle at Second Presbyterian Church please call Mariann Thuesen at (865) 253-7653 by April 4th.

Extended Communion

We have two training classes coming up for anyone interested in being able to provide extended communion to our shut in community. This is a unique opportunity to minister to those who are unable to join us for our regular communion services. This ministry is carried out in pairs and at least one person must be an ordained officer, but any church member can participate as part of the pair. Training is required for those who wish to participate.

The training sessions are open to all and will be held in the Mary Chambers Room. Dates and times are as follows:

Thursday, April 12th at 6 p.m.

Sunday, April 15th at 9:30 a.m. (during the Sunday School hour)

Pastor Tim will be leading the training and Jan will coordinate the teams for the week of May 6th. Please call or email Jan if you have any questions. And please join us in this unique opportunity!

A Note from Pastor Sarah

Thank you all so much for making my ordination service so incredibly special. I am so grateful for the warm welcome that Andy, Robert, and I have received here at Second; and your support and love on the day of my ordination were just one example of that. I cannot thank you all enough for the emails and words of encouragement, for your presence at the service, for the beautiful reception afterwards, and for "outfitting" me for the work of ministry! This is such a wonderful congregation, and I feel blessed to be a part of it. Thank you from the bottom of my heart!

Sarah Morgan

InterFaith Health Clinic

I can't begin to tell you how thrilled everyone at my work - InterFaith Health Clinic - was with the collected items for the 200th Anniversary donation. As you know, we operate on a really small budget and try to use the best stewardship possible so that our patients benefit the most. This generous gift will go a long way toward helping achieve that goal. (My supervisor made sure I personally was stocked up too!) I am not surprised by the abundant generosity of our church family, but it certainly made an impression. If you look at our Facebook page, we gave you all a big shout out! Thank you, again, so very much!

Kim Elrod

200th Anniversary Reception Committee Gives Thanks

The 200th Anniversary reception committee would like to thank the congregation for their generous response to the call for cookies for three receptions. We would like to especially thank Caroline Buckner for arranging the decorations for three receptions. The 200th anniversary events and Rev. Sarah Morgan's ordination service were fitting tributes to our 200th Celebration.

Clara Hardin, Ruth Campbell, Liz Peebles

visitors and birthdays

march visitors

Becky Walker
Terry & D'Ann Mimbs
Sarah Wilson
Anna Young
Beth Stovall
Haley & Drew Wall
John & Margie Gill
Kendra Bryan
Heaven Ford
Dakota Ford
Joanna Mounger
Beth Robertson
Christina Young
Becky Treakle
Kim & Findlay Hudgens
Andy Morgan
Marley Hayes

Betty Reynolds
Doug & Ruth Pugh
Richard & Betty Pugh
Kathryn Pugh
Eric Ryan
Meghann Pabst
Jan Edmiston
Chris & Joanne Corsbie
Maggie & Lucas Lankford
Sue Morgan
Neil Doby
Sue Kirby
Jane Lavendar
Andy Hobson
Jaclyn Beeler
Katherine Henderson
Philip Barbour

John & Ming Sanders
Leigha Austin
Chip Denton
Mark Denton
Alexi Barger
Carter DePoy
Henry Naff
Meredith Bible
Joanna Mounger
Karen Vance


april birthdays

Matt Casey 4/04
Lauren Dodson 4/06
Dean Farmer 4/07
Frances Johnson 4/09
Dottie Bulgin 4/10
Natalie Pruitt 4/11
Karen Cleveland 4/14
Mary Howard 4/15
Laura Turner 4/19

Lloyd Downen 4/20
Neil Malcolm 4/22
Alex Robinson 4/22
David Schultz 4/22
Dick Dodson 4/23
Dale Henley 4/23
Frances Wyatt 4/23
Anne Armstrong 4/24
Ann Simpson 4/28

The High Five Award

The High Five Award for April goes to **Arlys Milligan**. Arlys joyfully serves in every music ministry of the congregation – ringing handbells and

 singing in both the Chancel Choir and the Joy Singers. When not making music to the Lord, Arlys can be found counting the offering for deposit, attending book club, or helping out with PW and Lunch Bunch. Additionally, whatever Arlys does, she does with a smile and a positive spirit, bringing joy to anyone who interacts with her. Thanks for all you do, Arlys, and for just being you! Here's a big High Five!



May Presbyterian Women - Poetry & More!

Dr. Marilyn Kallet, Professor, Author and Poet, will speak at the May Presbyterian Women Luncheon on May 8th at 11:30 a.m. You don't want to miss this opportunity to hear Dr. Kallet's presentation and poetry reading.

Marilyn Kallet was born in Montgomery, Alabama, and grew up in New York. She is the author of 18 books, including a translation of Parisian poet Chantal Bizzini's *Disenchanted City*, co-edited with J. Bradford Anderson and co-translated with Anderson and D. Jackson, and *The Love That Moves Me*, poetry from Black Widow Press; *Packing Light: New and Selected Poems*, Black Widow Press; *Circe, After Hours*, poetry from BkMk Press; *The Big MGame*, translation of Surrealist poet Benjamin Peret, 2011, and *Last Love Poems* of Paul Eluard, both from Black Widow Press.

Marilyn Kallet's 18th book, a new collection of poetry *How Our Bodies Learned* by Black Widow Press became available January 2018. Her seventh book of lyric poems offers a collection of 1 poems that enfold more difficult poems of witness. Each of the three chapters takes a hard look at historical events: the terrorist attack in Paris, November 2015; gun violence in Orlando and San Bernardino; the water crisis in Flint, Michigan. But Kallet is also a poet of dreams and humor. Kallet is Nancy Moore Goslee Professor of English at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville. She teaches poetry workshops in Auvillar, France, for the Virginia Center for the Creative Arts.

Lunch is only \$10. If you are not in a PW Circle at Second Presbyterian Church please call Mariann Thuesen at (865) 253-7653 by Thursday May 3rd.

LIFE AT SECOND: PART TWO (1986-1996)

Co-Chairs, Arvilee and Helen Grant

Part Two of Dr. Edmund Carver's pastorate time at Second Presbyterian Church must begin with the church's Homecoming '86 with a theme of "A Time for Remembrance."

In 1985 Tennessee's governor, Lamar Alexander, recommended that established institutions in Tennessee observe a homecoming under a general statewide program known as Tennessee Homecoming '86. Second Presbyterian Church planned a homecoming for October 26, 1986, the closest Sunday to the anniversary of the church's founding on October 24, 1818. Elizabeth Rochelle served as the chair of the Homecoming '86 Committee.

Second Church published an historical booklet emphasizing its 186-year history and began its special homecoming Sunday with a continental breakfast and an overview of the church's history. The morning worship service, with Dr. Joseph Copeland, former pastor, as the guest minister was followed by a box lunch. Former members of Second Church were invited to attend the day's events, along with former choir members who joined with current choir members for the worship service.

Several church members created quilt squares for a homecoming quilt which was displayed in the church along with church memorabilia. On Sunday afternoon the church was open for informal gatherings and facility tours.

During Dr. Carver's years as pastor of Second Church he introduced many programs and innovations with a congregation always number-

ing between 1,400 and 1,500. Usually church life revolved around Session, at least eight large committees and their sub committees and usually ten adult and youth programs.

In 1995, Second Church added a Parish Nurse Program which provided for the congregation services of health screening, counseling, and education as well as visitation and advocacy. This program continued for over twenty years when the position was changed to that of visitation minister.

Second Church was heavily involved in so many activities and programs for fellowship, care, and outreach that it is impossible to summarize them adequately, but we will list several that were very active in the late 1980s and 1990s:

***Second Church began its participation in the Habitat for Humanity home construction program which was continued into the 2000s.

***The Volunteer Ministry was a high priority item in Second's mission work with many church members volunteering regularly in the Refuge program and their feeding program.

***Second Church invested in vans and two buses which were used for local and travel trips for both missions and recreation.

***During Carver's years, the congregation participated in annual church-wide retreats, mostly held at Montreat Conference Center, Montreat, North Carolina and averaged 200-300 in attendance for a weekend of worship, study and discussion, singing, and recreation.

***Evangelism efforts included and expanded a Bread Delivery program for visitors to the worship services; the loaves of bread were delivered by church members to the visitors' homes as a gesture of outreach.

*** With a second worship service in full operation, a second Sunday School session was added at 11:00 to serve early worship service attendees.

***Bethel and Kerygma Bible Study programs continued.

For the sake of brevity we will focus on two groups which represent only a small portion of the whole of Second Church's programs. The travel group was unique with its leaders, Dean and Betty Barber, and the choir group was an unusual mix of members, few formally trained musicians, but a group of talented singers who had some rare choir experiences!

The Travel Ventures activity operated under the Membership Care and Concern Committee and was chaired by Dean and Betty Barber who used the church vehicles to conduct many "travel ventures" to far and near for the pleasure and enlightenment of Second Church members. Each year the Barbers faithfully planned and personally drove and guided their riders to see plays, exhibits, parks, historic attractions, etc. both nearby and out-of-state. Those of us who participated in these trips fondly remember the care and efficient manner of our favorite tour guides. Each participant paid his/her own costs, and the Barbers always managed to operate frugally and surplus funds were funneled back to the church coffers.

The Choir of Second Church in the days of director Ed May and his successor, Ashley Burell, was a dedicated collection of volunteer singers with few or often no paid singers. We share with you a treasured memory of one of those volunteer singers, Anne Armstrong, who as a choir member in 1994 participated in the Salzburg,

Austria Church Music Festival. Armstrong writes as follows:

In 1993 we, the members of the Second Presbyterian Church Choir, were challenged to stretch our talents beyond what we thought was possible. We received an invitation to participate in the 1994 Salzburg, Austria Church Music Festival. Our director, Ashley Burell, had faith in us. Did we want to do it? Of course we did!

Extra choir rehearsals were scheduled, fund raisers were held to help with expenses, choir members and their spouses arranged their vacation times, bags were packed, and we were off.

Landing in Vienna we checked into our hotel, changed out of our blue t-shirts with "Second Presbyterian Church Choir" stenciled on the front, and, though tired from the trip, met in the hotel lobby to begin our exploration of the city. Soon thereafter, we climbed aboard our bus and headed for Salzburg.

In the mountains west of Vienna we stopped at Milk Abbey, founded in 1081 and located on a rocky hillside overlooking the Danube River. After the Benedictine monks had finished with their noon-time devotions, we entered the chapel where we sang and listened to our music echo off the walls.

Our hotel in Salzburg was on the outskirts of the city which necessitated riding the bus to the cathedral where we were to practice for the Saturday night concert. After our daily practice sessions we took advantage of the long summer days to visit some of the historic sites in Salzburg, among them the hillside Hohen Salzburg Fortress with a panoramic view of the city, the birthplace of Mozart, and locations where the film, "The Sound of Music" was set.

The Salzburg Collegiate Church was the location of our first concert in Salzburg. We were joined by soloists, a symphony orchestra, and three other church choirs from the United States. The rehearsal



Some of the Second Church's Choir members and their spouses in protective coveralls before boarding the electric train

schedule was intense. For three days we practiced with few breaks, lots of standing, and no goofing-off. It was worth it. The concert on Saturday night was magical.

The final concert for the combined choirs and orchestra was the next day, Sunday morning, in the Salzburg Cathedral. The sanctuary was packed with local residents and visitors, priests in colorful robes, instrumentalists, singers, and a massive organ that broadcast to all inside and probably to many outside that this was a joyous occasion. Knowing that this was "Mozart's Church" made my heart beat a little faster when we stood to sing.

The service was over. We removed our choir robes and met together across from the cathedral to say our good-byes. Some of our group were leaving to explore on their own or return to Knoxville...

The Second Church Choir had yet another "foreign" adventure and Jan Barber, another choir member, recalls one of the successful fund raisers

the choir conducted to help defray expenses for a choir trip to England. She states:

Sometime in the 1990s, the choir was raising funds for a trip to England. Ashley Burell was the choir director at the time. Under the guidance of bass Bill Martin, the choir set up a booth at the Tennessee A&I Fair at Chilhowee Park and sold roasted corn. This entailed tending the fire, wetting down the corn in the shucks and roasting them over the open charcoal fire. It was a popular seller among fair attendees.

At the time, I was a member of a quartet known as the Somethyme Quartet. The other members were Holli Eckert, Chuck Steuwe and Robert Krabill. We took several shifts at the booth where we sang as we worked. We serenaded the fair goers with songs from the 30's and 40's and often hymns. This helped draw a crowd around the booth and to sell the corn. At the end of the night, we went home smelling of charcoal smoke and with a stomach full of the yummy corn. It was an adventure!

Here are two other memories from Dr. Carver's time at Second Church. First, from Janet Vail who was volunteering as the church's Wedding Coordinator:

"I have two 'oops moments' memories from my experiences: The groom came to the ceremony with sports shoes on. I had to canvass the wedding guests for appropriate shoes according to size and color for the groom to wear during the nuptials."

"Then there was the bride who donned her wedding gown only to realize that she needed to be sewn into her dress at the last minute to be decent!"

The other memory comes from our own Rev. Tim Reynolds who shared this memory with the church congregation at his first worship service with us as the pastor. He remembers fondly, as a University of Tennessee student in 1986, attending services at Second Presbyterian Church. He stated that he was warmly welcomed and felt befriended. He was invited to lunch and to the home of a church member. Little did he or we think that he would one day pastor our church.



Second Presbyterian Church's Choir giving their first performance in Vienna, Austria, before moving on to Salzburg for the music festival.

Before leaving our comments about Dr. Carver's very successful years at Second Church, it is interesting to note that in the very early 1990s both Dr. Carver and Associate Minister Peter Whitelock were concerned about the church's needing to plan for a future, with an awareness of changes in the culture and society—trends that meant that the church must be prepared to put greater emphasis on evangelism and missions and to be willing to adapt for future effective ministries. They observed several realities facing Second Church:

***Shortage of spaces for the church's many activities.**

***The almost 35-year-old facility was wearing and needed updating, repairs, and clean-up.**

***The church lacked good handicapped accessibility.**

***The church's vehicles were all older and needed costly repairs/replacement.**

***Church and Sunday School attendance was, at best, stable or dropping.**

During Dr. Carver's last few years at Second, the Session approved a massive building make-over and expansion which was in high gear by 1995. In our next chapter we will explore the trials and adventures of Second Presbyterians as they coped with the dust and inconveniences of construction/remodeling as described by Emily and Morton Rose with Morton as the liaison with architects, contractors, Session and congregation and Emily as the journalist sharing the progress of construction via Second Edition articles.

SOURCES: Annual Reports for Second Presbyterian Church; Second Presbyterian Church Library Archives; Memories from the Second Presbyterian Church congregation.

Musical Sundays in Celebration

The 200th Anniversary Committee hosted two celebratory musical events in the month of March in the sanctuary of Second Presbyterian Church. These two events were planned as the church's gift to the community. On Sunday afternoon, March 4, the Maryville College Choir started its spring concert tour with a wonderful musical performance for the congregation of Second Church, family, and friends of Maryville College and the general public, free of charge.

The performance had a special significance for both Maryville College and Second Church because the two institutions have enjoyed a unique relationship from the church's founding in 1818 and the college's beginnings in 1819. Dr. Isaac Anderson was the first minister of Second Presbyterian Church and served as the church's leader for several years. At the same time, Dr. Anderson was the minister of New Providence Presbyterian Church in Maryville and established a school which eventually became known as Maryville College. Dr. Anderson traveled from Maryville by horseback and river ferry each time he came back to Knoxville to pastor Second Church.

The 200th Anniversary Committee introduced at the Maryville College Choir event a newly formed Second Church members group who serve this year as welcoming greeters. This group is composed of about twenty-five men and women dressed in vintage attire representing different decades in the church's 200-year history. Their goal during 2018 is to draw attention to the church's

historic past but, more importantly, to make attendees feel welcome and appreciated during the concert and the reception which followed.

On Sunday afternoon, March 18, Second Presbyterian Church hosted a special performance of the Knoxville Symphony Chamber Orchestra. This free concert was dedicated to Betsey Bush, a long-time faithful member of Second Church and a staunch supporter of the Knoxville Symphony Orchestra. In recognition of the church's founding by Scot-Irish descendants, the musical selections for this performance were chosen to reflect in some way early times in the church's history. The mountain dulcimer solo with orchestra, playing a segment from "Blackberry Winter" won accolades from an appreciative audience.

Again, the vintage-wearing greeters circulated among both attendees and performers, with their friendly smiles and helpfulness at this concert and the reception. The Director of KSO, Aram Demirjian, was most generous with his remarks about Betsey Bush and with his time spent visiting with the audience after the performance. This writer heard many favorable comments about the music, the wonderful acoustics in the sanctuary, and the hospitality of the church's members.

[Note the accompanying photos of some of the greeters. Tell them how much you appreciate their efforts as "roaming ambassadors".]

A special thank you goes out to John Matlock for taking wonderful photos at both events!

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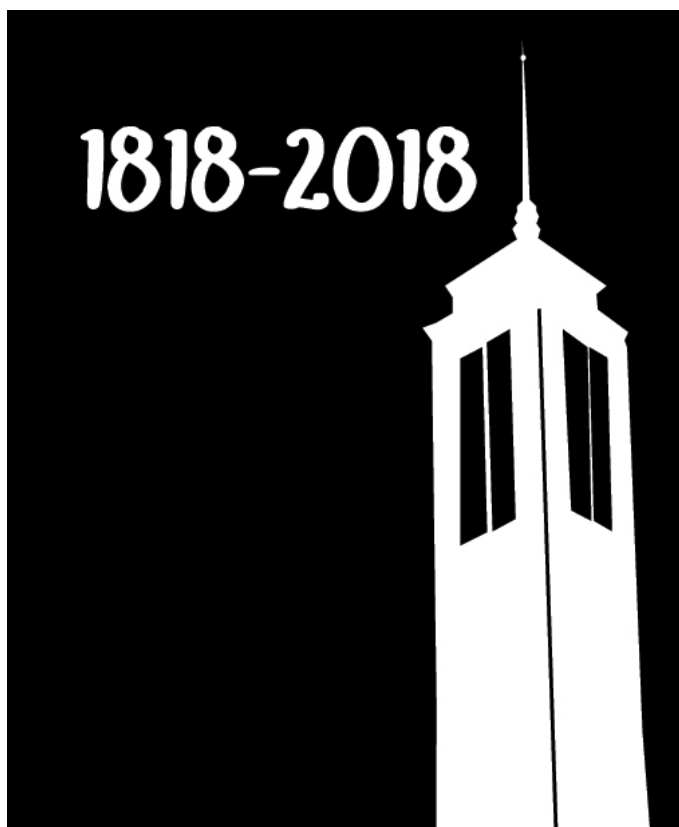
The Maryville College Choir



The Knoxville Symphony Orchestra







Kirkin' o' the Tartans - April 15th

On Sunday, April 15th, we will celebrate a Kirkin' o' the Tartan Service during worship as part of our 200th Anniversary celebration. (This is a change from the originally announced date of April 8th.) The establishment of Second Presbyterian Church, like most Presbyterian Churches in this region, was a direct result of the migration of the Scots-Irish (Ulster Scots) to North America. The Kirkin' o' the Tartan service celebrates this Scottish heritage in worship.

What is a Kirkin' o' the Tartans? Simply put, it means Blessing of the Tartans, and has become a tradition in many North American churches. "Kirkin'" comes from "kirk," the Scottish word for church, so the phrase literally means the "Churching of the Tartan." Most people, however, take it to mean "blessing" of the tartans and the families, regions, and regiments they represent. A tartan is a particular form of plaid in which the number and arrangement of each color of thread is identical in both the horizontal and vertical directions. Some of these distinctive patterns or

"setts" have been identified with regions, but the majority of the clan identifications with a particular sett were created in the 19th and 20th centuries. In the early 19th century, there were only about 90 named tartans. Today there are over 3,000. The Scottish Register of Tartans records all tartans and is still recording new tartans. Recent additions include the United States tartan created in 1976 to celebrate the bicentennial, and the University of Tennessee tartan created in 2004 by students in the Department of Consumer Services Management.

Some people claim the origin of this ceremony dates back to the Proscription Act of 1746 placed by the victorious English over the defeated Scots after the Battle of Culloden (1745). Scots outside the British military were forbidden to wear traditional Highland garb. These proscriptions also included bagpipes! Legend says that Scots would hide a swatch of their clan tartan when going to church services and touch it at a specific time during the services to recommit themselves to the Lord and their Scottish heritage. However, Scots in Scotland had never heard of such a thing until American or Canadian cousins asked questions about the tradition.

In actuality, the Kirkin' o' the Tartans was created by Dr. Peter Marshall on April 27, 1941 at the New York Avenue Presbyterian Church, Washington, D.C. In those dark days for Britain in World War II, Dr. Marshall, pastor of the church and twice chaplain of the United States Senate until his untimely death in 1949, wanted to raise funds for British War Relief and revitalize the pride of Scottish Americans in their heritage. Originally from Coatbridge, Scotland, he was passionate in his love of Scotland and things Scottish. A few years later the Washington National Cathedral (Episcopalian) made it an annual event which still continues to this day. Before long, Scottish communities and societies across North America added Kirkin's to their own services. There is no specific date for the service. Usually it is held either in the spring around Tartan Day (April 6) or in the autumn close to St. Andrew's Day, the patron Saint of Scotland (November 30).



200-A-Month - Fancy Pencils

Thank you for your continued generous participation in our 200-a-Month project.

In April we will be collecting pencils for West View Elementary School. They have asked for the fancy, decorated pencils. They are readily available, but if you would like us to shop for you, just make a donation to the church designated for 200-a-Month.



come join us for

Easter Sunday



egg hunt 9:45

worship 11:00

Church Financial Report

	Jan - Feb 2018 Actual	Jan - Feb 2018 Budget	2018 Budget
Pledged Offerings	\$107,892	\$81,737	\$490,420
Non-pledged Offerings	\$9,086	\$9,167	\$55,000
Preschool	\$3,333	\$3,333	\$20,000
Other	\$30,619	\$23,950	\$143,700
TOTAL GIVING	\$150,930	\$118,187	\$709,120
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$118,875	\$127,616	\$709,120
NET	\$32,055	\$9,429	\$0



APRIL

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Easter Egg Hunt 9:45 Worship 11:00 Communion Easter April Fool's Day	1 Church office closed Athena Meeting 12:00 BSF 5:30	2 Joy Singers 10:00 Lunch Bunch 11:30 Facilities team 5:00 Ministry Team meetings 6:00 Ministry Team meetings 7:00 Boy Scouts 7:00	3 Exercise Class 9:15 PET lunch 12:00 Line Dancing 4:00 Chancel Ringers 4:30 Bible Study 6:20 Chancel Choir 7:00 Email Blast Submissions Due	4 Officer Training 6:00 p.m.	5 Church office closed TIPS 3:00	6 TIPS 8:00
Sunday School 9:30 Fellowship Time 10:30 Worship 11:00 Food & Friends 12:15	8 Exercise Class 9:15 BSF 5:30	9 PW Board Meeting 9:30 PW Circles 10:15 PW Lunch & Program 11:30 Deacons meeting 6:00 Personnel meeting 6:00 Boy Scouts 7:00	10 CCR&R Training 8:00 Exercise Class 9:15 Line Dancing 4:00 Chancel Ringers 4:30 Wed. Night Dinner 5:30 Bible Study 6:20 Chancel Choir 7:00 Email Blast Submissions Due	11 Extended Communion Training 6:00 p.m.	12 Church office closed	13 Church office closed
Extended Communion Training 9:30 Sunday School 9:30 Fellowship Time 10:30 Worship 11:00 Kirkin' o' the Tartans 11:00 Food & Friends 12:15	15 Exercise Class 9:15 The Cross Ministry Board Meeting 4:30 BSF 5:30	16 Joy Singers 10:00 Preschool Board meeting 12:00 Session meeting 6:00 Boy Scouts 7:00	17 Exercise Class 9:15 2nd Readers 3:45 Line Dancing 4:00 Chancel Ringers 4:30 Wed. Night Dinner 5:30 Bible Study 6:20 Chancel Choir 7:00 Email Blast Submissions Due	18 Symphony Practice 1:00	19 Church office closed CCR&R Training 9:00 Newsletter Submissions Due!	20 Church office closed CCR&R Training 9:00
New Member Class 9:30 Sunday School 9:30 Fellowship Time 10:30 Worship 11:00 Food & Friends 12:15	22 Exercise Class 9:15 BSF 5:30	23 Fish Pantry 9:00 Boy Scouts 7:00	24 Exercise Class 9:15 Line Dancing 4:00 Chancel Ringers 4:30 Wed. Night Dinner 5:30 Bible Study 6:20 Chancel Choir 7:00 Email Blast Submissions Due	25 Church office closed	26 Church office closed	27 Church office closed
Earth Day New Member Class 9:30 Sunday School 9:30 Fellowship Time 10:30 Worship 11:00 Food & Friends 12:15	29 Exercise Class 9:15 BSF 5:30	30	Email Blast Submissions Due			



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2020 CLASS

Jimmy Cheek
Clara Hardin
Doug Matthews

Rev. Tim Reynolds,
Moderator
Nancy Montgomery, Clerk

"Ruling elders, together with teaching elders (pastors), exercise leadership, government, spiritual discernment, and discipline and have responsibilities for the life of a congregation as well as the whole church, including ecumenical relationships."
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DEACONS

2018 CLASS

Sandra Butler
Charlotte Klieman
Marty McLean

2019 CLASS

Jim Ford
Angela Jones
Lily Wu

2020 CLASS

John Matlock
Kathy Thomas
Margaret Walther

Marty McLean & Angela
Jones, Co-Moderators
Jim Ford, Clerk

"The ministry of deacon as set forth in Scripture is one of compassion, witness, and service, sharing in the redeeming love of Jesus Christ for the poor, the hungry, the sick, the lost, the friendless, the oppressed, those burdened by unjust policies or structures, or anyone in distress."

PC(USA) Book of Order G-2.0201

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