

SECOND EDITION

February 2017



tacklehunger.org

On Second Thought...

In January of 2000 a group of my classmates and I were sent from Columbia Theological Seminary to Hungary and the Czech Republic to study the Reformed Church in these countries. Every year Columbia sends 2nd year seminary students all over the world to study the church in an alternative context. Some of my class mates went to Jamaica, others went to Mexico – we got sent to Eastern Europe. In January. The trip was pretty cool. The weather was downright freezing!

There are many memories that stick with me about that trip, but only one I'd like to share at this particular time: the soup. Everywhere we went we were fed – by churches, by families, by institutions, by restaurants – and every meal included a soup of some sort. The warmth of the people of this region was matched only by the warmth of the soup on the table. Soup was the first course of every meal; the first thing put before us as we came in from the cold winter winds of the 50th latitude north of the equator in mid-January. These soups warmed us from the inside out. They were hearty, made from a variety of stocks, and chocked full of vegetables and lentils and noodles and meat. Though many were similar, it seemed no two soups were exactly the same. The people who made them for us often told us tales of how the soup recipe came to be part of their family. Each soup, it seemed, had a story.

Now let's be clear – I was no stranger to soup. But where I was from soup was something that was only occasionally part of the diet. And when we did have soup, that was it. The soup *was* the meal, maybe along with some crackers or cheese toast. I had never been to a place where it was such a staple of the diet, where it was part – the best part, but only a part, nevertheless – of every meal. I found it delightful. Perhaps the thing I found most delightful, however, was the communal aspect of sharing these soups.

My friends and I were often cold and tired and hungry by the time meal-time rolled around, having been travelling and in and out of the heat

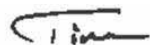
and listening to lectures or classes or workshops or presentations and just being tourists.

Sometimes we had even grown weary of being with each other. Then we would find ourselves serving one another out of a common pot and as the warmth began to flow back into our fingers and toes, the conversation would begin to flow about what we had seen and heard and experienced. The soup brought us back to life – it brought us back to each other.

Following worship on Sunday, February 5th, we are going to have a luncheon in the Fellowship Hall in conjunction with our Annual Congregational Meeting. The main course will be soup, in honor of the Souper Bowl for Hunger fundraiser that day. We will have the opportunity to contribute money for hunger relief, so that hungry people in our community may have food to eat. We will be making our favorite soups (or salad or bread or dessert) and sharing them with one another. Maybe we will share some good fellowship and conversation with one another, as well, about all that we have seen and heard and experienced God doing at Second Presbyterian Church in the last year.

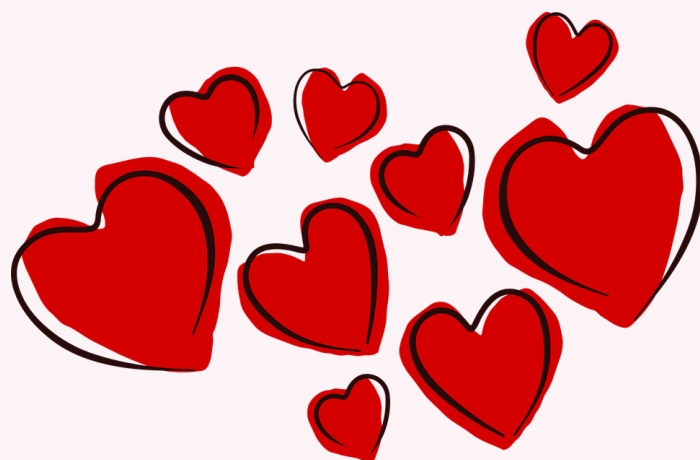
We hope you will join us for our Souper Bowl Luncheon and Annual Congregational Meeting. We hope that you will share some of your favorite soups and stories with one another. We hope that you will contribute to Hunger Relief as you leave worship that day, whether or not you attend the luncheon. Most importantly, we hope that our time together will warm you, from the inside out, as we are brought back to each other yet again by the warmth of the Holy Spirit.

Grace and peace...



Pastor Tim





inside this edition
FEBRUARY

4	worship
6	fellowship & congregational care
14	200th anniversary
18	church business

· W i n t e r W e a t h e r P o l i c y · S e c o n d P r e s b y t e r i a n C h u r c h

- **Sunday Worship:** Worship will never be cancelled due to weather. Please use your own discretion, however, in deciding whether or not to come. Safety is of primary importance; stay home if you don't feel you can make it here safely. You can always watch on the website!
- **Wednesday Night Activities:** The Wednesday Night Dinner and Classes follow the Knox County Schools schedule. If Knox County Schools are closed or dismissed early, then these activities will be cancelled. For those without kids, please remember to check on this. Sometimes school is cancelled and there's no snow to be seen!
- **All Other Activities (Choir, Committees, etc.):** These will be determined on a case-by-case basis. The chairperson or director will make the call and contact participants. The church office will be closed only in the event of extreme weather.

Confirmation Class




Confirmation 2017 - Assistance Needed!

Beginning February 26th, we will be offering a Confirmation Class for any high schoolers who have not yet been confirmed and we need your help to do it. The Confirmation Class will meet on Sunday evenings and we need folks to prepare a light meal for the students in the class. Supper will be at 6:00 p.m. and the class time, led by Pastor Tim, will follow. There are only 6 classes – we will take March 12th off for Spring Break – with the final class being April 9th. If you are willing to provide a meal one Sunday, please let Pastor Tim know. (treynolds@2ndpres.org) This is a great way to let our young people know that we

care about and support them in their study of the Presbyterian tradition.

Additionally, if you have a high school student that has not been confirmed and you have not heard from Pastor Tim, please reach out to him and let him know of your interest. Our students will be studying the foundations of our faith with Pastor Tim each Sunday. They will be confirmed on Easter Sunday so that the whole family of faith will have the chance to celebrate the conclusion of their confirmation journey with them. Please be in prayer for our students and please consider providing a meal one Sunday evening.

High-Five Award



February's High Five goes to **Jim Ford**. While very well known for his line dancing and rhythmic movement classes and devotion to honoring our veterans here at Second, these things are just the tip of the iceberg for the retired Air Force Master Sergeant. Pretty much anywhere there is something that needs to be done, Jim is there doing it. Jim currently serves as a deacon and he regularly visits our shut-in members. He helps Nichole with setting up and tearing down after fellowship dinners and luncheons and funeral receptions. (He has even been known to help decorate!) Jim assists in getting the Powerpoint Slideshow together in the Atrium every Sunday morning, he gets here early to hook it up and turn it on before others arrive, he teaches dance and movement to our preschool children, he helped take the youth group Christmas Caroling, he contributed an article to the Advent Devotional, he helps out at the Volunteer Ministry Center, and he has even been caught washing dishes in the kitchen on Wednesday nights. To top it all off, Jim is a caring and nurturing grandfather to Cyanne. Jim is the embodiment of a servant leader, doing all these things and more not for the recognition, but simply for the joy of serving. In fact, we suspect he will be quite embarrassed by this Second Presbyterian High Five!

February Lunch Bunch

Donna Matlock will be speaking on "Where Does Our Mission Money Go?" Come to lunch bunch Tuesday, February 7 at 11:30 a.m.

Scout Sunday

Scout Sunday will be February 26th. Troop #6 will be joining us in worship that morning.

Annual Congregational Meeting

The annual meeting of the congregation of Second Presbyterian Church, Knoxville, will be held following worship on **Sunday, February 5th**. The meeting will be in the Fellowship Hall in conjunction with the Souper Bowl luncheon. The Annual Report will be presented at the meeting, which will include the budget for 2017 and reports from the various ministry teams. Additionally, we will elect officers to the Session and Diaconate Class of 2020 and renew Pastor Tim's Terms of Call (see the following page for the nominee list). The meeting portion of the luncheon should take no more than 20 minutes. Food & Friends will not meet away from the church on this day, but are invited to come to the Fellowship Hall for the Souper Bowl luncheon. We hope that you will join us for Food, Fellowship and a little Church Business after worship on February 5th.

Souper Bowl Sunday

Souper Bowl Sunday is coming up on **February 5th**! This year we have an extra special Souper Bowl Sunday, since it will also be Youth Sunday. The Souper Bowl of Caring is a nation wide effort to reduce hunger and poverty in communities. Youth all across the nation collect canned food and money to support local charities. Monetary donations allow charities to buy food in bulk in order to maximize the impact that every donation has on reducing hunger. The youth at Second will be collecting nonperishable food and money after the service.

Additionally, in conjunction with the Annual Congregational Meeting, we are having a church-wide Soup and Salad Luncheon after the service. We are asking you to sign to bring either soup, salad, bread, or dessert. (Please bring soup in a crock pot.) Sign up sheets are available in the Atrium and online via the church's website. If you have any questions, please contact Christina Gore at cgore@2ndpres.org.

Happy Birthday!

Lindsay Casey 02/01
Cameron Dicken 02/02
Doug Brittian 02/03
John Fiet 02/04
Ken Frazer 02/05
Bill Laing 02/05
Herb Cleveland 02/08
Neal Peebles 02/09
Joanna Montgomery 02/09
Leilla White 02/10
Bobbie Denton 02/12
Phyllis Robinson 02/12
Kreis Weigel 02/13
Dotty Barbour 02/14
Margaret Walther 02/16
Eleanor Barker 02/18
Davis Givens 02/19
Joyce Roberston 02/19
Doug Barbour 02/24
Pat Fields 02/27

2nd Readers

When? Wednesday, February 15
Where? Church
Time? 3:45p.m.
Title: Secret Daughter
Author: Shilpi Somava Gowda
Leader: Mariann Thuesen

When? Wednesday, March 15
Where? Church
Time? 3:45p.m.
Title: A Man Called Ove
Author: Fredrik Backman

OFFICER NOMINEES

Class of 2020

Margaret Walther - Diaconate Nominee



I have been attending 2nd Church since December 2015. I decided I wanted to become a member in the spring of 2016. I felt this was the place of worship I wanted to be a part of. I have been a Presbyterian since 1965. I have attended many churches throughout my Life, but this has become home.

I believe in Jesus Christ and have accepted him as my Lord and Savior. I believe in the responsibility that becoming a Deacon, is to help and care for our church community. Members and non-members at 2nd Pres have been very friendly, caring, and supportive.

I am a retired nurse. I have 3 children, Brent, Anne, and Bryan, and 6 grandchildren. I was born and raised in Toledo Ohio. I lived most of my adult life in Rochester New York. I moved to Tennessee in 1994. I now consider Tennessee my home. I am looking forward to serving my church in this capacity.

Doug Matthews - Session Nominee



I was raised in the Presbyterian Church by loving parents along with two sisters and a brother. I had a wonderful (if not extended) childhood. My college years and 20's were a time of disorientation and wandering. Eventually I realized that all who wander are not lost, at least not forever. (Thanks for your prayers Mom!) I have since come to believe that in allowing me a frightening glimpse of the "abyss" that exists apart from Him, God in his Mercy and Grace found me and brought me back from despair and into Love. Leslie and I soon came into one another's lives forever and I graduated from UTK in psychology and zoology. Three wonderful children and 30 years later, we've been here at 2nd for 10+ years, having followed Leslie's Mom who grew up in this Church.

I believe that God continues to bless 2nd Presbyterian and is already leading us with a renewed hope as we seek to walk faithfully, creatively, and compassionately into a future that is beyond all we could ever ask or imagine. I want to help in whatever way He sees fit.

Kathy Thomas - Diaconate Nominee

I gladly proclaim Jesus Christ as my Lord and Savior, but I have no moving conversion to share. Being raised in a Second Presbyterian Church I have always believed there is a God who sent his son, Jesus Christ, to be sacrificed for our sins. I have very fond memories of the choir director, teachers and leaders. These individuals, by their words and by their actions, were my first teachers about Christ's life on earth. And they told me of His love and His death for me. Through their love and service, they patterned Christ's life for me. It was only right and natural for me to respond and accept the gift of life He offered. After attending confirmation classes at the age of twelve, I was baptized at Second. Although child-like faith is a good starting point, I know now that my faith was destined to grow and mature as I grew in my knowledge of God and His love. As I have continued to grow in knowledge of the Scriptures, I have a fuller (and still incomplete) understanding of the foundations of our faith. I believe that Christ was fully divine, and fully human. He lived a perfect and sinless life on earth so that his death would be the means for us to be forgiven.

It is an honor to be asked to serve as Deacon. I had been praying for God to show me what to do next when the call came. Second has always been a loving church. Over the past year and a half I have received a great deal of this help and love from the church family. I see the value of it in a new way. I am looking forward to serving. "To him much is given, much is required."



Jimmy Cheek - Session Nominee

Ileen and I moved to Knoxville eight years ago. Upon arrival, we immediately began looking for a church home. During our entire marriage, we had been members of the Methodist Church until we joined Second Presbyterian Church. Prior to marriage, I was a Methodist and she was a Presbyterian.

We have two married adult children. Jennifer and her husband Scott live in Atlanta and have two children Abigail and James. Jeff and his wife Marilyn live in Knoxville and have two children Collier and Parish. Jennifer's family are members of Peachtree Presbyterian Church and Jeff's family are members of Church Street United Methodist Church.

I am pleased to be one of the session nominees for the class of 2020. This is an opportunity for me to serve the church of Jesus Christ at this point in my life. My faith in Jesus Christ is a very important aspect of my life and the lives of my family. I believe in God, and in Jesus Christ his only son. I believe he came on earth to save us from our sins and that we are saved by grace and that we have a responsibility to spread the Good News.

It is my hope that our church can be more responsive to the needs of our community and the world in the future. Our community needs what the Peace and Grace of Christ can offer.



John Matlock - Diaconate Nominee



I grew up in South Knoxville and attended South High School. My parents joined Second Presbyterian because of relatives and friends who were there. Most of my church involvement as a child was in the downtown church and I have very fond memories of my Sunday school teachers Hoyt Payne, Bob Campbell, Jack Boyd, and Gene White. Upon graduating with a degree in electrical engineering from UT, I joined the Air Force. I flew 100 EB66 missions and completed two B52 combat tours before my 5 year commitment was up, at which point I returned home. I worked the next 30 years for the TVA, mostly in the nuclear program.

After two years my wife, Julie, developed a serious illness and passed away in 1977. Our daughter, Molly, was four years old at the time so I became a single parent. Fortunately, my parents took us in. Eventually Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Giffen, long time members at Second, introduced me to Donna Brehm Quickel and the rest, as they say, is history. Our daughters were about a year apart and Dennis Falasco was doing a wonderful job running the youth program at Second. Dr. Carver had also been very supportive during Julie's illness, so we decided to join here.

We have continued on through the difficult times. Donna has served as a deacon, an elder and as leader of several committees and programs. I was ordained as a deacon to serve an unexpired term during the time Dr. Carver was here. I am looking forward to serving again as there is a sense that with God's help I can be useful to His purposes at Second Presbyterian.

Clara Hardin - Session Nominee



As a child growing up in Nashville, I attended a Methodist church close to our home, my parents' Presbyterian and Disciples of Christ churches being some distance away. By the time I was starting college, both parents were in a Presbyterian church. I attended Maryville College, where I embraced Presbyterianism.

Soon after marriage, my husband and I joined Second Church in 1960. In the years since, Second Church has been a major part of my life. Our four children were baptized here and grew up through Sunday School and youth fellowship. Our three daughters were married in this sanctuary, and one grandson was baptized here.

During these years I have served in various roles, including deacon, elder, and member of the Christian Education, Missions, and now Worship committees. I have served on two pulpit search committees.

I have agreed to be nominated as an elder because I believe that Second Church is on the threshold of new and vigorous service to God. As a small congregation, I think each of us needs to respond to the call received.

Mark your calendars Now!!

for

Tuesday March 14, 11:30

Special PW Luncheon (\$10) and Program

(Delicious lunch- no brown bag)



“Domestic Violence 101”

Presented by:

Amy Dilworth

Executive Director of



*One call to make.
One place to go.*

Ending Family Violence

Facts from FJC website

- 1 in 4 women will experience domestic violence in her lifetime¹
- 1.3 million women are victims of physical assault by an intimate partner each year²
- 85% of domestic violence victims are women³
- Most cases of domestic violence are never reported to the police⁴

The Knoxville Family Justice Center is a safe place with caring and trained staff available to help victims of domestic violence and their children. Come join in on the 14th and find out about the services that the Family Justice Center provides and how they are working to help to put an end to domestic violence in our area. Find out ways that educators, religious communities, healthcare workers, law enforcement, friend—everyone can make a difference.

If you are not in a PW Circle make your reservation by contacting Mariann Thuesen.

Phone: (865) 253-7653 email: jmthue@att.net



Presbyterian Women

*Invite you and your friends to a
Valentine lunch (\$10)
Tuesday February 14th at 11:30*

*Presbyterian Women is privileged and excited to
welcome as our guest speaker*

*Chancellor Jimmy G. Cheek
Reflections of a Chancellor*

*Jimmy G. Cheek became the seventh chancellor of
the University of Tennessee, Knoxville (UT), on
February 1, 2009. On February 15, 2017 he will be
named Chancellor Emeritus and Distinguished
Professor and in August 2017 return to the faculty.*

*Read the brief bio and then come to this event
to learn "the Rest of the Story."*

*If you are not in a PW Circle please make a reservation: by Feb. 9th.
Mariann Thuesen: Phone: (865) 253-7653 or email: jmthue@att.net*



Chancellor Jimmy G. Cheek

Brief Bio

Within a year of taking office, he set a goal for UT to become a Top 25 public-research university. This aggressive initiative sparked exciting momentum around improving undergraduate education, graduate education, research, campus infrastructure, and securing additional financial resources.

Several new academic, research and student service buildings have been built or significantly renovated since 2009. An unprecedented \$1 billion in campus construction is now underway or in the design stages. A new student union, classroom, laboratory and research facilities, and a redeveloped residence hall village are open or under construction.

Cheek has led great change in the university's delivery of core services that include student advising, tutoring, mentoring, and other support to help our students graduate on time and achieve their academic goals. These changes have dramatically improved retention and graduation rates and brought our metrics closer to our Top 25 peers.

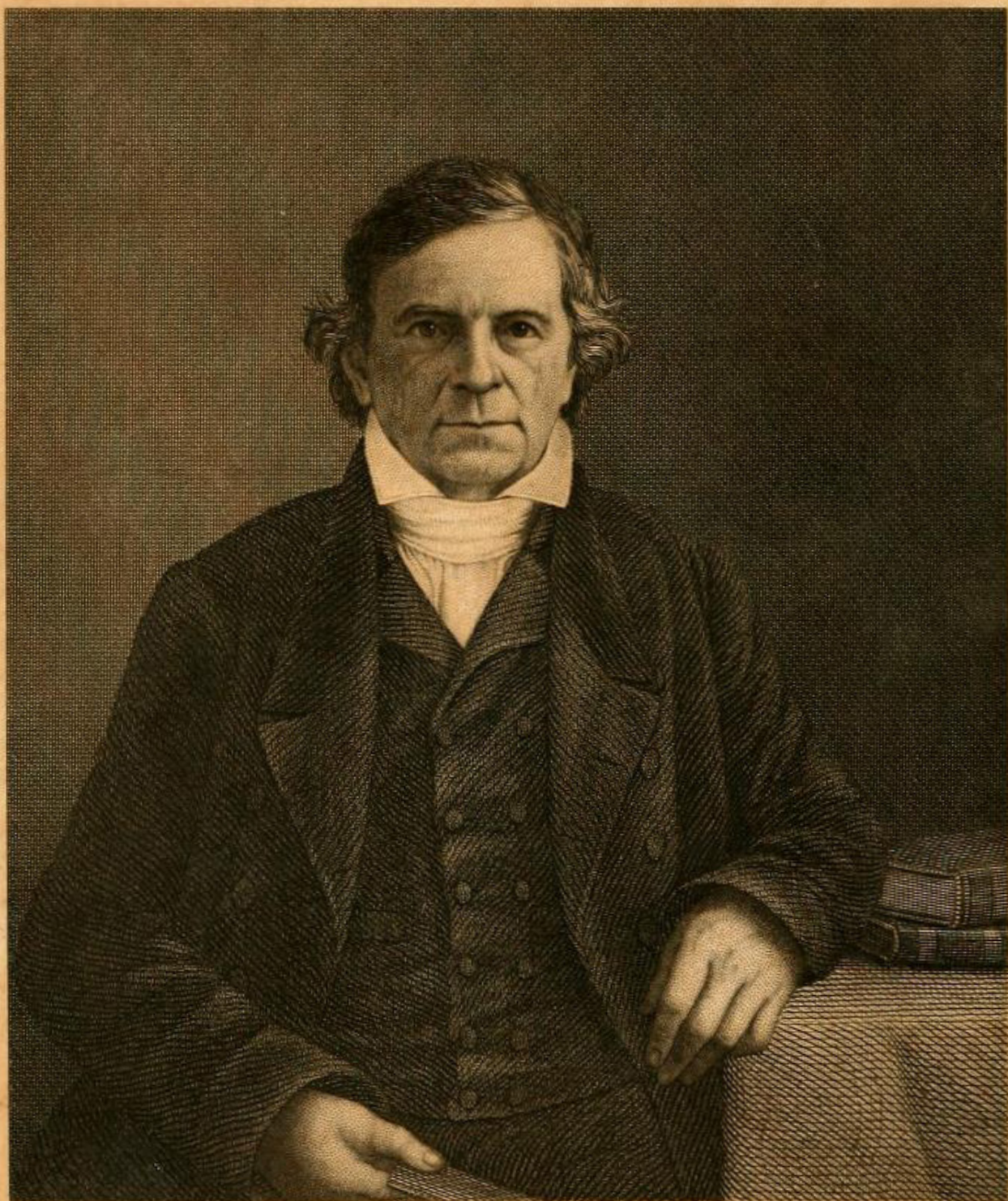
The increased commitment to faculty and staff salaries has aided recruitment and retention of worldclass faculty and staff. He also has led an effort to enhance our relationships with existing partners, such as Oak Ridge National Laboratory and Eastman Chemical, to create new relationships that broaden our research and opportunities for collaborations with faculty and students.

A first-generation college student, he set in motion several initiatives to broaden diversity and student access to the university. The university's work on improving access led to Cheek's participation in two White House Summits on increasing college opportunity for low-income students.

Cheek earned his bachelor's degree with high honors and his doctorate from Texas A&M University. He received his master's degree from Lamar University. A native of Texas, he is married to Ileen Cheek, and they have 2 children and 4 grandchildren.

Chancellor Cheek and Ileen are active members of Second Presbyterian Church.

200th anniversary



Engraved by Illman, Brothers, from a Daguerresotype.

*Yours in the gospel.
Isaac Anderson*

The Beginning For Second Presbyterian Church

PART 1: Getting to Know the First Pastor, Rev. Isaac Anderson

Co-Chairs, Arvilee and Helen Grant

The second half of the eighteenth century on the Appalachian frontier in the area now known as East Tennessee was one of escalating pace and explosive growth in the number of white settlers flooding off The Great Wagon Road and from eastern North Carolina. As the eighteenth century came near closure, governmental changes came even quicker: the Revolutionary War ended; in 1788 the U.S. Constitution was ratified; in 1791 James White founded Knoxville; in 1792 Knox County was organized, and in 1796 Tennessee became the sixteenth state to join the Union.

Tennessee history books are filled with the exploits of frontiersmen like John Sevier, William Blount, Dr. J.G.M. Ramsey, James White, Davy Crockett to mention a few who played vital roles in the settlement and protection of early East Tennessee. Along with the adventurers, there was another group of bold Scots-Irish who contributed to the care of the new immigrants. This group was represented by a small number of well educated Reformed Presbyterian ministers who struggled to meet the spiritual and educational needs of a fast growing population. Among this small group was a young man named Isaac Anderson.

In many ways the ancestry and life of Isaac Anderson typify the Scots-Irish presence on the Appalachian frontier. His family tree shows the Anderson Clan who lived mostly in the Borders and the McCampbells who lived in the Highlands of Scotland. The first Isaac Anderson (Rev. Anderson's great grandfather) was one of those whose family had transplanted themselves to Ulster, Ireland, in the 17th century. He emigrated to America with his family from Ulster, Ireland, about 1726 and eventually settled in Rockbridge County in Virginia in 1741. His fourth son, Isaac II, became the grandfather of Rev. Anderson.

Rev. Isaac Anderson was the first of six sons and three daughters born to William and Nancy Anderson. The Andersons were Reformed Presbyterians who followed

John Knox's belief in education in every village and Rockbridge County's New Providence Presbyterian Church sponsored a "subscription school" which little Isaac attended. At 15 years of age he continued his classical studies at Liberty Hall Academy which eventually became Washington and Lee University. Isaac proved to be an excellent scholar in school and also enjoyed the opportunity to read from the family's extensive home library.

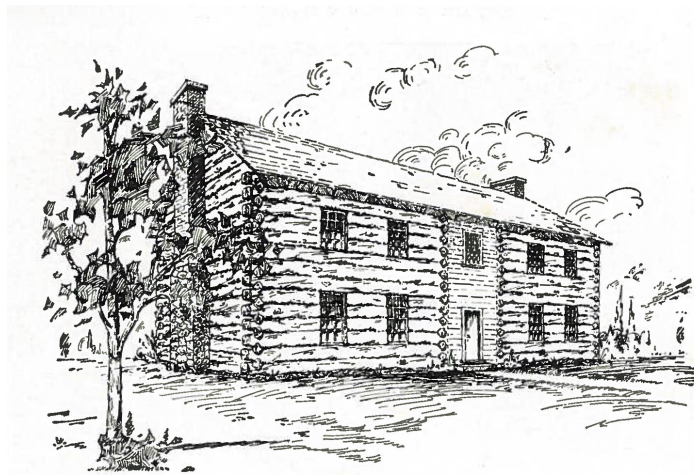
Isaac Anderson's grandmother lived in the William Anderson household and she was a strong influence on young Isaac with her Christian teachings—especially her stress on his duty to God and man. At about 17 years of age Isaac experienced a struggle in his personal life. He began a two-year soul searching, often in seclusion in a nearby grove where he could quietly sit for prayer and meditation. He sensed a call to the ministry but felt unworthy. He did join Rockbridge's New Providence Presbyterian Church, resolved his doubts and began in 1800 his training for the ministry. The first Presbyterian seminary would not be established in America until 1812 and Isaac followed the only theological training path available to him—that of studying with nearby Presbyterian ministers.

In search of better and cheaper farm land William Anderson in 1801 decided to move his family to the Tennessee frontier. He gathered shot, powder, and rifles for all the males, his wife and nine children, packhorses, cattle, farming and cooking utensils, clothing, bedding and provisions and followed the Great Wagon Road over 300 miles from Virginia to Knox County, Tennessee. The Andersons purchased and settled on a 1,000 acre farm a few miles northeast of the small village of Knoxville. The farm was located in a valley with rich soil near the area now known as House Mountain.

Isaac immediately resumed his theological studies under the direction of Dr. Samuel Carrick, pastor of First Presbyterian Church in Knoxville and also the President

of Blount College (later to become the University of Tennessee). Dr. Gideon Blackburn, pastor of Maryville's New Providence Presbyterian Church, served as another instructor.

The year 1802 proved to be a momentous time for Isaac who at the age of 22 became the first person to be licensed to preach by the Union Presbytery. That same year he married Flora McCampbell, bought and settled on a farm near his father's land. In November he was ordained to the gospel ministry by the Presbytery and installed as pastor of the Washington Presbyterian Church in Knox County which had been organized that year by Dr. Carrick. Soon after, Rev. Anderson also assumed the pastorate of Lebanon Church located where the French Broad and Holston Rivers form the Tennessee River. With a shortage of trained Presbyterian ministers, it was a common practice for clergy to pastor more than one small church at a time. The pay was meager or nonexistent and the number of members very small.



UNION ACADEMY, "ANDERSON'S LOG COLLEGE"

Following the Scots-Irish dedication to education, Rev. Anderson opened a school in a large two-story, four-room hewn-log building on his farm. His Union Academy followed a classical curriculum for the youngsters, but Anderson also found the time to train a small number of divinity students.

As if teaching, preaching, and farming were not enough, Anderson began in 1802 to spend one week each month

as a circuit rider. He would start on his horse on a Monday, riding and preaching each day in at least one different location and completing a 150-mile circuit on Saturday, ready to preach at his two churches on Sunday. He traveled in the rural areas where often there were no churches and he was determined to bring the gospel to the unchurched. Sometimes he preached to 500-1,000 people who had gathered from the countryside. He received no pay for his circuit riding. Income from his school and the farm kept the family solvent.

Rev. Anderson quickly established himself as a man of boundless energy, zeal, and dedication with a quiet demeanor who avoided controversy when possible, but was willing to step forward for his beliefs. His congregations responded to his shepherding skills and to sermons that seemed to touch the hearts of those who heard him. One of his colleagues recalled "his commanding form . . . his flashing eyes . . . his powerful voice, his irresistible logic . . . his unaffected sincerity."

After ten years at Washington and Lebanon Presbyterian Churches, Anderson accepted a call to Maryville's New Providence Church which was one of the most active and comparatively large Presbyterian Churches in East Tennessee at 209 members. He chose to accept this call because he felt that the move would allow him to touch more lives with the news of Christ. He kept his farm, closed his school and moved his family the 25 miles to Maryville.

In 1813 Anderson was elected principal of the Porter Academy in Maryville which had been chartered by the Tennessee Legislature and he opened his own academy for youngsters. In addition to these tasks he continued to accept theological students who often lived in his home at little or no cost. "One of these students was George M. Erskine, a Negro slave whose freedom was purchased by a group headed by Anderson. Erskine was licensed to preach by Union Presbytery in 1818 and served ten years as a local missionary. Later he went to Africa as the first missionary to a foreign land from Union Presbytery. Records show that Anderson had another Negro student who later became a prominent minister.

Rev. Anderson remained a staunch but moderate Calvinist but he was influenced by the theology of Samuel Hopkins, a pastor in Rhode Island. Anderson's favorite motto was, "To do good, on the largest possible scale," and Hopkins' idea of a general atonement—that Christ died for all men appealed to Anderson. He was a faithful follower of Hopkins in his love and concern for the slaves and the Indians. Anderson was diligent in proclaiming to them the gospel and in working to alleviate their suffering and to redress their wrongs. One of his colleagues wrote, "If there ever lived a man who illustrated in his life doctrine he taught from the pulpit and the professor's chair, that man was Rev. Anderson. Love was the sum and substance of his teaching and his life. He had a heart large enough and loving enough to embrace within its benevolent desires all mankind."

In 1818 Rev. Anderson became involved with a group at First Presbyterian Church in Knoxville who were concerned with doctrinal issues related to Hopkinsianism and with pew rental issues. From the primary research sources available it is unclear exactly what role Anderson played in the conflict at First Presbyterian, but there seems to be no doubt that Anderson was an anti-slavery proponent who disagreed with First Presbyterian Church's pro-slavery stance. The end result of the matter was that a new church was approved on October 24, 1818, by Presbytery with some members coming from First Presbyterian Church and others from the local community. Rev. Anderson agreed to become the first pastor of the new Second Presbyterian Church which he served for ten years (part-time) traveling by horseback the sixteen miles to Knoxville every two weeks to preach at Second Church on Saturday or Sunday. Anderson preached his first sermon for Second Church in a church service held at the old Knox County Court House, a two stories high, 30 x 40 feet structure. The title of his first sermon was, "For what intent have ye sent for me" based on Acts 10:29. Second Presbyterian Church continued to use the court house for worship services for two years.

At the age of 39 Rev. Anderson was pastor of New Providence Presbyterian Church, part-time pastor of Second Presbyterian Church, educator at Porter Academy, and an active proponent of a seminary in East Tennessee

to train men for the ministry. Almost single-handily Anderson established in 1819 the Southern and Western Theological Seminary and he spent the rest of his life as an advocate for trained clergy to preach the gospel to the many untaught and unchurched masses pouring into the frontier. After his death the seminary instruction would be eliminated because of changing conditions and needs, but the school at which he worked so diligently lives on as Maryville College. In all about 150 ministers of the gospel were trained by Anderson and went forth to preach and serve the church in East Tennessee and elsewhere.

Anderson was a champion of the Sabbath school (better known today as Sunday school) and at one time he had as many as 14 Sabbath schools in operation within the boundaries of his congregations. His work extended beyond his two churches. For years he averaged two hundred sermons a year. He organized at least nine churches. He served as moderator of Union Presbytery meetings on 40 occasions. He was elected moderator of Synod seven times during his career. Rev. Anderson did receive an honorary doctorate degree but records do not show the awarding institution.

On a personal note Anderson and his wife had six children all dying in infancy except one son, Samuel, who lived to be 31 years of age. The son left his widow and two young children. Isaac Anderson's wife died in 1852 and Anderson's health deteriorated to the point that he could no longer teach or preach. His daughter-in-law cared for him until his death in 1857. Unfortunately, his home and library were destroyed by fire, along with most of his writings and personal papers.

SOURCES: A History of Second Presbyterian Church, 1818-1994, by Lowell L. Giffen, 1994. An Endless Line of Splendor: Profiles of Six Pioneer Presbyterian Preacher-Educators, by Earle W. Crawford, 1983. By Faith Endowed: The Story of Maryville College, 1819-1994, by Carolyn L. Blair and Arda S. Walker, 1994. Isaac Anderson, Founder and First President of Maryville College, by Samuel Tyndale Wilson, 1932. Goodspeed's History of Hamilton, Knox, and Shelby Counties of Tennessee, reprinted from Goodspeed's History, 1887. Memoir of Rev. Isaac Anderson D.D., by Rev. John J. Robinson, 1860.

Highlights from the January Session Meeting

- Approved the Minutes of the Stated Session Meeting on November 15, 2016 and the Joint Session and Deacons Meeting on December 13, 2019.
- Received the financial report from the Treasurer.
- Received reports from the Deacons and church committees as information.
- Approved the youth serving Communion on Youth Sunday, February 5, 2017.
- Elected Mancil Milligan as Treasurer and Nancy Montgomery as Clerk of Session for a one year term.
- Approved the 2017 Budget.

Church Financial Report

Year of 2016	2016 Actual	2016 Budget	
Pledged Offerings	\$491,398	\$464,366	
Non-pledged Offerings	\$111,674	\$30,000	
Preschool	\$33,443	\$32,000	
Other	\$154,968	\$143,414	
TOTAL GIVING	\$791,483	\$669,780	
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$657,320	\$669,780	
NET	\$134,163	\$0	



2017

FEBRUARY

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
Communion Sunday School 9:30 Fellowship Time 10:30 Worship 11:00 Food & Friends 12:00	5 Men's BSF 5:30	6 Joy Singers 10:00 Lunch Bunch 11:30 Facilities committee meeting 5:00 Committee meetings 6:00 Line Dancing 5:00 Boy Scouts 7:00	Email Blast Submissions Due 1 Line Dancing 10:00 PET brown bag lunch 12:00 Wed. Night Dinner 5:30 David Goslee's Class 6:00 Women's CG 6:00 Chancel Ringers 6:00 Chancel Choir 6:45	2 Church office closed TIPS 3:00	3	4
Sunday School 9:30 Fellowship Time 10:30 Worship 11:00 Food & Friends 12:00 Messiah Rehearsals 1:30	12 Men's BSF 5:30	13 PW Board meeting 9:30 PW Circles 10:15 PW Lunch 11:30 Line Dancing 5:00 Boy Scouts 7:00 Valentine's Day	Email Blast Submissions Due 8 Line Dancing 10:00 DAR 1:00 Preschool Program 4:00 Wed. Night Dinner 5:30 Women's CG 6:00 Chancel Ringers 6:00 Chancel Choir 6:45	9 Church office closed Preschool Training 9:30	10	11
Sunday School 9:30 Fellowship Time 10:30 Worship 11:00 Food & Friends 12:00 Messiah Rehearsals 1:30	19 The Cross Ministry Board meeting 4:30 Men's BSF 5:30 2nd Edition Submissions Due Presidents' Day	20 Joy Singers Rehearsal 10:00 Preschool board meeting 12:00 Line Dancing 5:00 Preschool Training 6:00 Session meeting 6:00 Boy Scouts 7:00	Email Blast Submissions Due 15 Line Dancing 10:00 2nd Readers 3:45 Wed. Night Dinner 5:30 David Goslee's Class 6:00 Women's CG 6:00 Chancel Ringers 6:00 Chancel Choir 6:45	16 Church office closed	17	18
Sunday School 9:30 Fellowship Time 10:30 Worship 11:00 Food & Friends 12:00 Messiah Rehearsals 1:30	26 Men's BSF 5:30	27 Fish Pantry 9:00 Line Dancing 5:00 Boy Scouts 7:00	Email Blast Submissions Due 22 Line Dancing 10:00 Wed. Night Dinner 5:30 David Goslee's Class 6:00 Women's CG 6:00 Chancel Ringers 6:00 Chancel Choir 6:45	23 Church office closed	24	25





Second Presbyterian Church
2829 Kingston Pike
Knoxville, Tennessee 37919
Office.865.523.2189
Fax.865.637.2617
Preschool.865.523.9997
www.2ndpres.org

CLERGY STAFF

Pastor Timothy A. Reynolds
Pastor and Head of Staff
treynolds@2ndpres.org

PROGRAM STAFF

Don Townsend
Music Minister
dtownsend@knoxvilleopera.com

Brenda Goslee
Organist
bgoslee@juno.com

Holly Grimm
Children's Ministry Coordinator
hgrimm@2ndpres.org

Jan Barber
Visitation Minister
jbarber@2ndpres.org

Christina Gore
Youth Ministries Coordinator
cgore@2ndpres.org

ADMINISTRATION STAFF

Rachel Carlson
Director of Communications
rcarlson@2ndpres.org

Marianne Nichols
Accountant
mnichols@rhptn.com

Sarah Doyle
Office Manager
sdoyle@2ndpres.org

PRESCHOOL STAFF

Linda Sue Byrd
Director
lsbyrd@2ndpres.org

Holly Grimm
Assistant Director
hgrimm@2ndpres.org

THE SECOND EDITION
SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
2829 KINGSTON PIKE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37919

Nonprofit Organization
U. S. Postage
PAID
Permit No. 133
Knoxville, TN

ELDERS

2017 CLASS

Kim Elrod
Mancil Milligan
Neal Peebles

2018 CLASS

Dick Dodson
Dana Hendrix
Lisa Henley

2019 CLASS

Ed Batts
Donna Matlock
Tim Wright

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."
PC(USA) Book of Order G-2.0301

DEACONS

2017 CLASS

Cleston Jones
John Reynolds
Laura Turner

2018 CLASS

Sandra Butler
Charlotte Klieman
Marty McLean

2019 CLASS

Jim Ford
Angela Jones
Lily Wu

Cleston Jones, Moderator
Sandra Butler, 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

COMMITTEES AND CHAIRPERSONS

Christian Education
Elder Ed Batts

Congregational Care
Elder Kim Elrod

Evangelism
Elder Dana Hendrix

Facilities/Security
Elder Neal Peebles

Missions
Elder Donna Matlock

Personnel/Stewardship
Elder Lisa Henley

Worship & Music
Elder Ed Batts

Endowment
Mancil Milligan