

# SECOND EDITION

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# On Second Thought...

You may have noticed something new on the front of the bulletin the last few months. It's our new Vision Statement that was recently adopted by the Session. In a process that began in the spring of 2017, the elders worked with the data collected at the Fireside Chats, identifying the recurring themes they found there. They answered the question, "If you had to describe Second Presbyterian Church in just one word, what would it be?" They did Bible studies on why the church exists, completing the sentence, "The Church exists to..."

At the retreat in August they took all of this information and divided into 3 teams, each tasked with writing a Vision Statement for the congregation. After critiquing, combining, rewriting, and refining these statements, a preliminary Vision Statement was written. The elders then took a month to pray over that statement and came to the September Session meeting with their final suggestions. Once edited and revised, the Vision Statement was adopted.

***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.***

This is our Vision for who we want to be and what we want to be about. It is a statement that says who we are, as well as who we are becoming. We are never fully what the statement says, and yet we are always engaged fully in living into this vision.

As we begin our Bicentennial celebration this year, it is important to note that this Vision Statement doesn't speak for how things have always been. It may not even be our Vision five years from now when we revisit it. But for now, this is who we are and who we want to be. Welcoming. Faithful. Hopeful. Following. Serving. All in response to what God has done in us and for us.

I urge you to memorize this statement. Let it guide you in the new year. If you are the kind of person who likes to make New Year's Resolutions, resolve

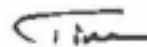
to be these things in and for the world. Let's commit to living out this vision together, as a community, in and for the world. Let's strive in every committee meeting, Bible study, Sunday School class, and fellowship group to ask ourselves, "How are we doing with our vision? What have we done since our last meeting to make our vision a reality? What can we do between now and our next meeting to be 'a welcoming, faithful, and hopeful community, following Jesus and serving him in the world.'"

This year there will be several changes in our life together. None of these changes are being made erroneously, carelessly, or just for the sake of change. All of them are being made with the Vision Statement in mind, with our desire to follow Jesus faithfully and to serve him in the world. In fact, everything we do in the coming year should be done with this Vision in mind, in gratitude for God's love and grace, and in our desire to "glorify God and enjoy God forever."

May we have a wonderful year of celebrating and responding to God's love and grace working in this congregation for the last 200 years! May we be truly welcoming, not just of one another, but of new people and new ideas. May we do it with the faithfulness and hopefulness that have characterized this congregation for two centuries. May we recognize what a privilege it is to follow Jesus and serve him in the world, and in so doing abandon our own agendas for his.

Happy New Year! And Happy Bicentennial!

Grace and peace...



Pastor Tim





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## New Sunday Morning Security Measures

In light of the recent attacks on houses of worship in our country, the Facilities Team has been discussing for several months now what, if any, security measures to adopt on Sunday mornings to both ensure the safety of our worshipping congregation and make sure that anyone who wants to join our congregation for worship is free to do so. We do not want to act out of a sense of fear, but we do want to be responsible in protecting our congregation.

In October we showed a video at a Wednesday night dinner entitled *Run, Hide, Fight*. This is a video recommended by most law enforcement agencies that details what to do in the event of an active shooter event. If you were not present for that you can find this video easily on the internet. If there is an active shooter event, we encourage everyone to exit the building, if possible, and move towards the Forensic Center next door.

In addition to discussions amongst ourselves, we have also had representatives attend workshops provided by both the Knox County Sheriff's office and the Presbytery of East Tennessee. As a result, we have adopted the following policy for Sunday mornings.

At 11:05 a.m., the custodian will begin locking all of the exterior doors to the building, with the exception of the main sanctuary doors. If you arrive after 11:05 and want to enter the building through any door other than the main sanctuary doors, the following doors will be monitored and entry can be obtained by ringing the bell next to the door: atrium door, porte-cochere door, and breezeway door

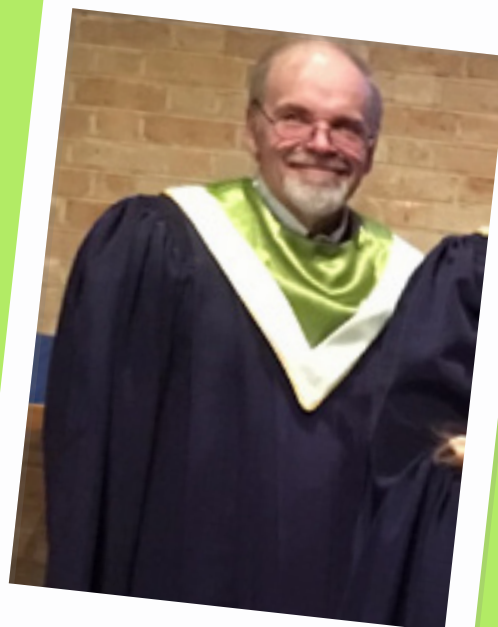
between the main building and the children's wing. A person in the church office will have access to the security cameras and intercom system and will be able to remotely allow entry to anyone arriving after 11:05 a.m.

The main sanctuary doors will remain unlocked and open throughout the entire worship hour. Ushers will remain in the narthex throughout worship to welcome anyone who comes in late and assess if a threat is present. The person monitoring the cameras will also assist in threat assessment. A communication system will be installed between the church office and the sanctuary so that if there is a threat in either place, the other will be able to call 911 for emergency assistance. Finally, in every worship service a member of the Facilities Team will be on the back pew near the main entry doors to the sanctuary and will have a can of pepper spray to disable anyone that enters the sanctuary and is deemed to be threatening those in worship.

Obviously, there is no way to plan or prepare for every contingency. We feel, however, that this policy makes sense and goes a long way to ensuring the safety of our congregation, in the event of an attack of some kind. Be assured that we are continuing to discuss our response to such situations and will address any other needs that may arise. Please remember, if you arrive after 11:05 a.m., enter through the main sanctuary doors or ring the bell at one of the other doors and someone will let you in.

*The Facilities Ministry Team*

# THANK YOU



## BRENDA & DON

Due to organizational restructuring, we say farewell this month to two very dear friends. Don Townsend and Brenda Goslee have served this congregation faithfully and lovingly for 6 and 14 years, respectively. This congregation owes these fine musicians a huge debt of gratitude, not only for providing high quality music during worship over the years, but for keeping the worship service going during the period following the split. Don and Brenda each stepped forward and took on responsibilities outside of their job descriptions to ensure that Second Presbyterian Church would have an

inspiring and uplifting worship service each Sunday and that God would be glorified in and through our worship. Their dedication and humility have been gifts to this congregation.

Don and Brenda have chosen December 31st as their last Sunday. They have requested that we not have a reception for them, so we will recognize their service during the worship service on that day. We hope that you will make a special effort to be in worship on the 31st to thank them for their hard work, dedication, and service to this congregation.



## SECOND WELCOMES OUR INTERIM MUSICIANS.

With the new year come some new faces. Our new Interim Director of Music is Matthew Mimbs and our Interim Organist is David Stultz. (Check out their bios below!) We will be forming the search team for the permanent Director of Worship Arts shortly

and expect the search to take several months. In the meantime, please introduce yourself to these fantastic musicians and make them feel welcome. And if you want to come sing in the Chancel Choir, Joy Singers, or ring bells in the Chancel Ringers – we'd love to have you!!!

### ← MATTHEW MIMBS INTERIM MUSIC DIRECTOR



**Matthew Mimbs**, a native of south Georgia, moved to east Tennessee in 2007 to attend Carson-Newman University, where he completed a bachelor degree in Church Music with a minor in Theatre. During his sophomore year Matt was a music intern under Dr. Eric Thorson at West Hills Baptist Church, then served as the Director of Music at Lincoln Park Baptist Church for 4 years. He served as president of the Carson-Newman A Cappella Choir, touring and performing in several states that span the southeast as well as overseas locations in Israel and Jordan. He has performed large choral works in conjunction with the Knoxville Symphony Orchestra, both with the C-N Oratorio Chorus and Church Street United Methodist Church. Matt has also been seen onstage in many musicals in east Tennessee, most recently as Tateh in “Ragtime” with Encore Theatrical Company, where he met Pastor Tim.

# DAVID STULTZ INTERIM ORGANIST



**David Stultz** is an 19-year-old freshman at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville and he graduated from Baylor School in Chattanooga TN. He has studied piano with Dr. Sigrid Luther for the past fourteen years.

For three years, David studied organ with Jason DuRoy, organist at Signal Mountain Presbyterian Church. In piano, David has received superior ratings and scholarships from the Chattanooga Music Teachers Association. In 2015, he won first prize and the hymn-playing award in the Young Organist Competition sponsored by the Greater Columbia AGO Chapter. He has performed with the Jericho Brass and twice with the Chattanooga Youth Symphony Orchestra; one performance included the Saint-Saëns "Organ Symphony."

He enjoyed playing every Monday for Baylor School Chapels, local weddings, and memorial services along with subbing for organists at various churches in the area. David was the

official organ substitute for Judy Glass at First Presbyterian Church of Chattanooga, and he served as organist for two years at Lookout Mountain Presbyterian Church.

As a winner of the 2015 organ competition, David returned to Columbia to perform a full-length concert at Trinity Episcopal Cathedral. In January, he placed 2nd in the Winston-Salem School of the Arts National High School Organ Competition. He also studied organ with Dr. Sarah Harr who is the organist at First Lutheran Church of Chattanooga.

David is currently majoring in organ performance and studying under Dr. Edie Johnson.

## Wesley's Covenant Prayer

On December 31st we are going to have a brief Covenant Renewal service based on John Wesley's service of the same name. Wesley was looking for a way to mark the renewal of a believer's covenant with God when he found, in the Reformed Tradition, a service rededicating oneself to God for the new year. He adapted it for his own use and the service he designed is still in use today.

Though Wesley did not use it at any particular time of the year, a tradition developed in British Methodism of using the service near the beginning of the new year. The centerpiece of the service is the following prayer. It's a great prayer to pray - not just at the beginning of the year, but all throughout. Give it a shot. Try praying this prayer every Sunday in 2018 and see what happens!

**I am no longer my own, but yours.  
Put me to what you will, rank me with whom you will;  
put me to doing, put me to suffering;  
let me be employed for you, or laid aside for you,  
exalted for you, or brought low for you;  
let me be full,  
let me be empty,  
let me have all things,  
let me have nothing:  
I freely and wholeheartedly yield all things  
to your pleasure and disposal.  
And now, glorious and blessed God,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
you are mine and I am yours. So be it.  
And the covenant now made on earth, let it be ratified in heaven.  
Amen.**



## Second's Winter Weather Policy

**Now that winter is here it's a good time to remind everyone of our policies for inclement weather!**

**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, Ministry Teams, 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.



## Wed. Nights Resume Jan. 10

Our Wednesday night dinner and activities schedule will resume on January 10th with dinner at 5:30 and class at 6:15. There will only be one class to begin with in January – Pastor Tim's class on World Religions.

## The Time is Here!

The 200th Anniversary year is here! Please join us for the Presbyterian Women Luncheon on January 9, 2018 at 11:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Arvillee and Helen Grant, the SPC 200th Anniversary Chairs, will present *"Thru the Years: Past, Present, and Future."* Come learn about the past, present and future of Second Presbyterian Church. Helen and Arvillee will also tell us more about the plans and events in place for the church, family and friends to celebrate the 200th Anniversary. Lunch is \$10.

If you are not in a PW Circle, please call Mariann Thuesen at (865) 253-7653 by Thursday January 4th for a reservation.

## PW February Luncheon

Join us Tuesday, February 13th at 11:30 a.m. for an exciting lunch and program at Second Presbyterian Church. The Presbyterian Women will host speaker Robin Goddard, a VIP in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. Dressed in time period costume, Robin will present "The Walker Sisters of Little Greenbrier."

Robin is joining us this winter because she is at the Little Greenbrier School on Tuesdays except for January and February. You do not want to miss this special event! If you are not in a PW Circle, please call Mariann Thuesen at (865) 253-7653 by Thursday February 8th for a reservation.

## Save the Date!

Our Annual Congregational Meeting will take place in conjunction with the Souper Bowl luncheon following worship on Sunday, February 4th. The luncheon and the meeting will take place in the Fellowship Hall. Mark your calendars now!

## Lunch Bunch

Lunch bunch will be on Tuesday, January 2, 2018. A representative from Sunset Gap will be our speaker.

## 2nd Readers

When? Wednesday, January 17

Where? Church

Time? 3:45 p.m.

Title: *Grandma Gatewood's Walk*

Author: Ben Montgomery

Leader: Mariann

When? Wednesday, February 21

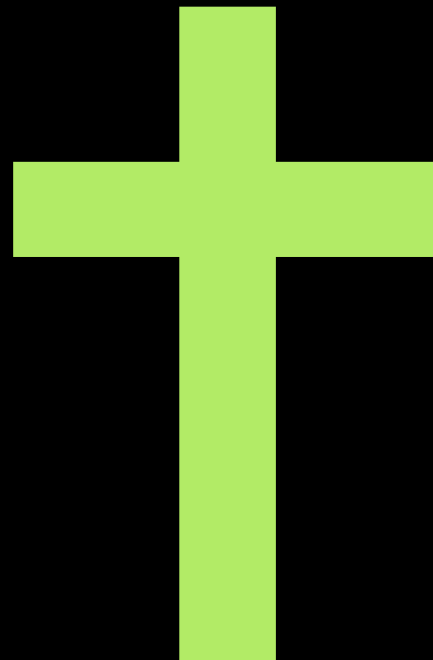
Where? Church

Time? 3:45 p.m.

Title: *If I'm Found*

Author: Teri Blackwood

Leader: Chris



# *just saying thanks...*

## **Dear Second Presbyterian,**

“Please know how very much I appreciate all you have done for me during what has been the most trying and most difficult part of my life. Through your many thoughtful acts, you have eased my mind, body, and spirit far more than you can ever know. I want to express my gratitude to you my Church Family and I thank you for having been always willing to share with me your strength and peace. Thank you again for your most gracious help and kindness.”

With great love,  
*Betty McCollum*

## **From the Mission Team...**

Thank you to everyone who purchased a gift from the Angel Tree for West View kids and/or brought a filled Shoe Box for Samaritans Purse and/or brought gifts for the Volunteer Ministry Center Holiday Store

*- The Mission Ministry Team*

## **Thank You!**

Thank you so very much to everyone who remembered our family with cards and gifts during this past Christmas Season. We are so grateful and humbled to have the privilege to serve such a generous, compassionate, and thoughtful congregation.

*-Tim, Tuesday, Seth & Lily Grace Reynolds*

# THE HIGH AWARD 5

This month's High Five Award is given to **Bruce Foster**. Bruce grew up at Second and was confirmed as a member in 1948. Over his 70 years of membership Bruce has served this congregation in countless ways, including several terms on the Session. Bruce's most recent contribution, other than ushering on Sunday mornings, has been heading up the team that spearheaded the 200th Anniversary Scholarship. Bruce worked with the folks at the East Tennessee Foundation to make sure the church's interests and all legal concerns were met. He, along with two other children of the congregation, Tim Wright and Bob Campbell, were responsible for raising the funds so that we could award the scholarship in our 200th Anniversary year. Bruce, along with Mary Farmer, has also volunteered to serve on the scholarship selection committee at the East Tennessee Foundation to ensure that the church's interests are represented. Thanks so much, Bruce, for caring about this congregation for so long and for sacrificing so much in her service. High Five!

# birthdays

Sue Fiet 1/01  
Betty McCollum 1/01  
Dana Hendrix 1/04  
Jack Boyd 1/05  
Fay Carr 1/05  
Bo Daugherty 1/05  
Cathy Gray 1/05  
Seth Reynolds 1/05  
Elizabeth Hamilton 1/06  
Allene Miller 1/06  
Jeannie Ullrich 1/06  
Nancy Weigel 1/06  
Amy Cross 1/09  
Tim Wright 1/09  
Marjorie Reynolds 1/10  
Beverly Gilmer 1/11  
Morton Rose 1/15  
Kelly Dicken 1/16  
Leslie Testerman 1/16  
Ellen Fox 1/17  
Gerry Turner 1/17  
Matt Waters 1/17

Genevieve Turner 1/18  
Mary Porter 1/20  
Peter Ullrich 1/20  
Fran McLean 1/21  
Frieda Sims 1/21  
Monica Casey 1/22  
Arleen Reilly 1/22  
Cliff Barbour 1/24  
Willis Mashburn 1/25  
Jean Frazier 1/26  
Seth Warren 1/29

## visitors

Toni Vaughn  
Nancy Rust  
Charlene Cotton  
Kim & Findlay Hudgens  
Steve Long  
Henry Naff  
Wayne & Patti Davis  
Haley & Drew Wall

Mary Lyn Marks  
Mike Marchant  
Dennis Bailey  
Spencer Roberts  
Mike & Emily Chandler  
Mary Ann Coudriet  
Stephanie & Logan Cummings  
Janet Boyce Bradshaw  
Sandi Sleeman  
Rion Steele  
Tina Childress  
John & Margie Gill  
Genevieve Davies  
Ben and Elizabeth Tan  
Lisa Wolfe  
Paul & Brenda Lutz  
Mark & Melinda Denton  
Jim Callaway  
Van Callaway  
Brent Walther  
Steven Reynolds  
Elizabeth Ferguson





## **A Study On World Religions**

This semester Pastor Tim will be leading us on a journey of discovering the beliefs and practices of the major world religions. If you've ever wondered what other religions teach, preach, and believe, then join us on Wednesday nights at 6:15 as we delve into the frameworks that undergird the faith systems of non-Christian people here in America and around the world. We may even have a few guests along the way to give us a first-person

account of their religion. By the end of the class you will know the Five Pillars of Islam, the sacred texts of Hinduism, the major festivals of Judaism, the four Noble Truths of Buddhism, and much more – including the difference between an atheist and an agnostic, and what Scientology is all about! Each class will last approximately an hour and we will spend several classes on each different religion. We hope that you are able to join us!

## SECOND CHURCH PREPARES TO MOVE AGAIN

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*Co-Chairs, Arville and Helen Grant*

Early in 1954 a nine-acre piece of property at 2829 Kingston Pike was put on the market for sale by the estate of Phil Briscoe, long-time member of Second Presbyterian Church and recently deceased. After several years of controversy in the church about whether to stay downtown on Walnut and Church and renovate or to move where there would be room to expand with adequate parking, the availability of this property seemed an ideal answer for the proponents for moving. Both Dr. Barbour and Dr. Copeland, his successor, were dealing with an aging building, bursting at the joints from overcrowded Sunday School rooms and an inflexible sanctuary and no public parking with very few options to allow for continued growth and programming. For almost a decade the issue was discussed by Session and congregation but no consensus could be reached—that is, until the Briscoe estate went on the market.

This property seemed to be exactly what a part of the leadership wanted—a highly visible metropolitan church site near the central city on a major highway, accessible by car from different directions with enough acreage for a large building with room for future expansion and adequate parking space. The property had an interesting history that we will briefly consider here. Beyond the site's 20th century usefulness as real estate, it had some historic links to Second Church's past.

### **History of The Land.**

Originally the area around Knoxville was occupied about 1,000 years ago by a Woodland's people who

were gradually displaced by other groups until the end of the 1600s when the Cherokee nation moved in. White men began to move steadily into what is now East Tennessee and by the mid 1700s—through treaties first with the English and then the U. S.—Knoxville and surrounding properties were surveyed and sold. Several Scot-Irish original settlers named Armstrong bought and settled in Knox County. Second Church's historical link to 2829 Kingston Pike comes through part of the Armstrong family who were members of Second Presbyterian Church for several generations.

By 1850 Drury Paine Armstrong owned much Knox County property including 600 acres on both sides of Kingston Pike, beginning near what is now 2829 Kingston Pike and running westward near the restored historic house named Westwood. Three historic homes built by this Armstrong family still stand nearby, well restored and testimony to their proud past.

We owe words of gratitude to Morton Rose, member of Second Church for his research into the early history of Kingston Pike and Sequoyah Hills.

Rose states:

*The "Crescent Bend" house at 2728 Kingston Pike was built in 1834 by Drury P. Armstrong. Drury moved into the house in the same year with his wife, 3 children and 9 slaves. Drury was the son of Robert Armstrong III who was the famous surveyor of Indian and other lands. Today the "Crescent Bend" house is a museum and*

*features the Toms Memorial Silver Collection and a collection of Federal furniture...*

*“Bleak House” was built by R. H. Armstrong, son of Drury Armstrong, in 1858. Confederate General Longstreet used this house as his headquarters during the attack on Fort Sanders. Some say that from the tower of this house, a sharpshooter shot General Sanders on the hill (where Second Church now stands). Today this house is known as the Confederate Memorial Hall.*

*“Westwood” was built in 1889 by John E. Lutz and his wife Adelia Armstrong Lutz, granddaughter of Drury Armstrong. The name “Westwood” comes from the fact that this was the first woods west of Knoxville. The name was an appropriate choice, for during the Civil War all of the area around Knoxville was denuded. [The house is presently occupied by Knox Heritage, a nonprofit which advocates for the preservation of structures and places with cultural or historic significance.]*

### **History of The Road.**

Kingston Pike was originally a Native American trail, which was only wide enough for horse travel, but was surveyed and opened in 1792 by Surveyor Charles McClung, son-in-law of James White, founder of Knoxville. McClung was commissioned to build a public road from Knoxville to Campbell’s Station. The road was extended to Kingston by 1800.

During the Civil War, Kingston Pike played a vital role in allowing Union troops to move hurriedly from Campbell’s Station Road to reach Knoxville’s fortifications ahead of Confederate forces. General Sanders’ dismounted cavalry troops delayed the Confederate army at the foot of now Second Church’s hill to give Union forces thirty-six more hours to complete Knoxville’s defenses.

According to *The French Broad-Holston Country*, in 1866 the Tennessee legislature chartered five private

turnpike companies in Knox County, one being the Kingston Turnpike Company authorized to build from Knoxville to Kingston and Sparta. Among the authorized commissioners were at least three members/elders of Second Presbyterian Church. One of these members, Oliver P. Temple, renowned lawyer and Union supporter during the Civil War became president of the company. Each company was allowed to erect toll gates every five miles from Knoxville and collect standard tolls. The Kingston Turnpike Company resurveyed the first five miles of the road and then macadamized it, raised the road, added ditches to facilitate drainage. Knox County purchased Kingston Turnpike in 1892 and completed the improved road to the county line in 1893. It was paved in the early 1920s and by the late 1940s widened to a four-lane road.

[One might conclude from this history of the land and the road that those earlier members of Second Presbyterian Church might have felt very much at home at 2829 Kingston Pike.]

### **The Planning Begins**

The Phil Briscoe property was bought for \$60,000 with the estate contributing \$10,000 and on May 16, 1954, the congregation approved to build a new facility and move to Kingston Pike by a vote of 306-292. Under Presbyterian law this count was acceptable. The dissenters in the congregation and the moving advocates entered into a sad time of discourse involving threats of law suits and other actions. The bottom line saw the congregation splitting with part planning the move and the dissenters buying the Walnut Street Church building in 1957 and organizing themselves as a Congregational Church.

Ground was broken for the new church building on February 19, 1956, with Barber and McMurry as the architectural firm, headed by Ben McMurry and Dick Eckert as detail architect—both members of Second





### Tower bells waiting for installation

Church. The church decided to demolish the Briscoe home, the extensive gardens and the foundation of a second house that Briscoe had planned to complete. The front grounds of the property were regraded and sloped gradually down to the sidewalk.

**The church decided to move a few items from the Walnut Street Church and the selected items were:**

**1** It is not surprising that Second Church's leadership chose to keep the **tower bells** for the fourth building. The collection of ten bells at Walnut Street was considered to be perhaps the finest in the city and its peals had made themselves heard in both regularly

scheduled weekly performances but also for special events. The **tower bells** were by far the largest and biggest challenge to move with their combined weight of over 11,000 pounds. With much difficulty the bells were removed from the Walnut Street bell tower and transported to the new site and stored until the construction of the new bell tower was completed. Later in 1998 three new memorial bells were added. More recently a memorial electronic computerized system was added to allow programming of many different pieces of music for the bells. These bells continue to be a vocal witness in the community, sounding out the Christian message of the Good News of Jesus Christ.



**Baptismal fount from  
Walnut Street Church Sanctuary**

**2** The marble baptismal fount. Mr. and Mrs. John J. Craig III gave this fount to the church in memory of their daughter, Lucile Craig who died as a teenager. Mr. Craig owned and operated John J. Craig Company, a producer of pinkish Holston Formation limestone known as East Tennessee marble. His subsidiary company, the Candora Marble Company in South Knoxville, produced finished products from the quarried marble. Mr. Craig recruited Italy-born stone sculptor, Albert Milani, who became the company's chief carver for many years. It is likely that Mr. Milani, himself, carved the beautiful baptismal fount which now sits at the base of the chancel of the sanctuary. [This Holston Formation known as Tennessee marble was used in Washington, D.C. in the National Gallery of Art and for the stairways of the U. S. Capitol.]

**3** One small stained glass window was saved and kept in storage until several years later when it was mounted in a door to the present library archives.



**Window from Walnut Street Church  
framed in a door in our library**





**Ceiling in Fireside Room of library**

**4** Various sections of wooden framing were saved and stored until they were used several years later where it was attached to the ceiling in the Fireside Room of the present library.



**5** Historic wall plaques, one each representing Rev. Isaac Anderson, Horace Maynard, and Rev. Robert Bachman. These are wall mounted in the back hall leading to the sanctuary. In the narthex there is a plaque listing those individuals having served in World War I.

**6** Two concrete door sills were taken from Walnut Street and were eventually placed on either side of the covered walkway that connects the Children's Center to the main church building. One represents the second building, dated 1860-1906, and the other the third building, 1906-1956.

The years 1956 and 1957 were busy and stressful times as construction of the fourth building progressed and the congregation prepared for the move. In 2018 we will continue to follow Second Church in its journey of faith through future Second Edition articles.

*SOURCES: 50 Years Ago Yesterday, DVD, produced by John Matlock, 2007. The French Broad-Houston Country: A History of Knox County, Tennessee. Mary Rothrock, ed., 1946. A History of Second Presbyterian Church, 1818-1994, by Lowell L. Giffen, 1994. Property Owners, Kingston Pike and Sequoyah Hills, Knoxville, Tennessee, by Morton Rose, 1997. Second Presbyterian Church Archives.*

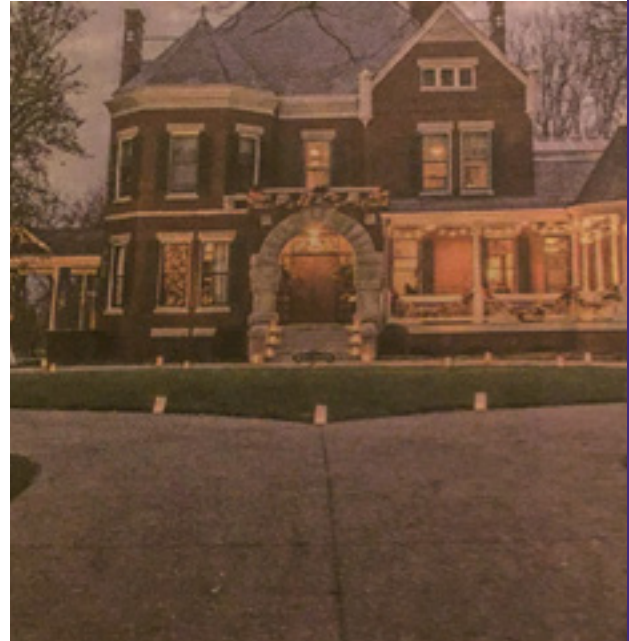


**Door sills from second building.**





List of members who served in World War I.



Westwood house built by Drury Armstrong's granddaughter.



Door sill from third building.





*looking east*



*looking west*

**Kingston Pike before Second Presbyterian Church.**



**Groundbreaking.**



*audience*



*groundbreakers*





## **200-A-Month**

We are rapidly approaching our 200th anniversary at Second. What a blessing Second has been to many through the years. Now we have an opportunity to share monthly with twelve deserving organizations that help others. In January we will begin collecting 200 of an item that an agency has identified as a need.

There will be a large box in the Atrium identified as “200-a-Month” in which collected items should be placed. The items will not be pricey and will be easily obtainable. If you would like to participate but cannot shop, you are welcome to send a check to the church, designated for 200-a-Month, and we will purchase the requested item for the month.

Our first collection will be for KARM. They need disposable razors. Let’s fill up their razor box.



## Highlights from the December Session Meeting

- Reviewed the Rolls of the Church and approved to move members, who have not participated or attended in years, to the inactive roll.
- Approved offering the position of Transitional Designated Associate Pastor of Congregational Life and Youth at Second Presbyterian Church to the person recommended by the search team.

## Church Financial Report

	Jan-Nov. 2017 Actual	Jan-Nov. 2017 Budget	2017 Budget
Pledged Offerings	\$474,889	\$501,263	\$546,832
Non-pledged Offerings	\$73,446	\$27,500	\$30,000
Preschool	\$29,333	\$29,333	\$32,000
Other	\$92,195	\$98,014	\$106,924
<b>TOTAL GIVING</b>	<b>\$669,863</b>	<b>\$656,110</b>	<b>\$715,756</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$599,316</b>	<b>\$656,110</b>	<b>\$715,756</b>
<b>NET</b>	<b>\$70,547</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

## Pastor for Congregational Life & Youth Hired

Though you will read more about this in the February newsletter, we wanted to let you know that the Session has hired Sarah Morgan to be our new Associate Pastor. Though her “official” title will be Transitional Designated Associate Pastor for Congregational Life and Youth, we’ll just call her Pastor for Congregational Life & Youth. Her major responsibilities will be: overseeing the Middle and High School and College Ministries; working

with Holly Grimm to coordinate the Children’s Ministries; working with Jan Barber to provide congregational care to the members of Second; and overseeing the Care & Compassion Ministries of Second, including Fellowship activities. Sarah’s start date will be February 1st and we will introduce her to the congregation during worship and at the Annual Congregational Meeting on February 4th. We’ll run a full bio in the February newsletter!

# 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
31	1 Church Office Closed	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 PET lunch 12:00 Chancel Ringers 6:15 Chancel Choir 7:00	4	5 Church office closed	6
	New Year's Day		Email Blast Submissions Due			
7	8 Sunday School 9:30 Fellowship Time 10:30 Worship 11:00 Communion Food & Friends 12:15	9 PW Board Meeting 9:30 PW Circles 10:15 PW Lunch & Program 11:30 Deacon's meeting 6:00 Personnel meeting 6:00 Boy Scouts 7:00	10 DAR 1:00 Line Dancing 4:00 Wed. Night Dinner 5:30 Chancel Ringers 6:15 Bible Study 6:20 WordPlayers 6:20 Chancel Choir 7:00	11	12 Church office closed	13
			Email Blast Submissions Due			
14	15 Sunday School 9:30 Fellowship Time 10:30 Worship 11:00 Food & Friends 12:15	16 Joy Singers 10:00 PreSchool Board meeting 12:00 Session meeting 6:00 Boy Scouts 7:00	17 2nd Readers 3:45 Line Dancing 4:00 Wed. Night Dinner 5:30 Chancel Ringers 6:15 Bible Study 6:20 Chancel Choir 7:00	18	19 Church office closed	20
	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day		Email Blast Submissions Due			Newsletter Submissions Due!
21	22 BSF 5:30	23 Fish Pantry 9:00 Boy Scouts 7:00	24 Line Dancing 4:00 Wed. Night Dinner 5:30 Chancel Ringers 6:15 Bible Study 6:20 Chancel Choir 7:00	25	26 Church office closed	27
			Email Blast Submissions Due			
28	29 BSF 5:30	30 Boy Scouts 7:00	31 Line Dancing 4:00 Wed. Night Dinner 5:30 Chancel Ringers 6:15 Bible Study 6:20 Chancel Choir 7:00	1	2	3
			Email Blast Submissions Due			





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##### 2018 CLASS

Dick Dodson  
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##### 2019 CLASS

Ed Batts  
Donna Matlock  
Tim Wright

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

#### 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  
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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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