2nd Sunday of Easter

April 12th, 2026 **10:30 a.m.**

PRELUDE ***Jesus Christ Is Risen Today*** *Robert Williams; arr. Sarah Sperl*

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

INTROIT

✟CALL TO WORSHIP *based on* Psalm 16

One: Christ is risen!
All: He is risen indeed!
One: Our hearts are glad, and our souls rejoice.
All: Our bodies rest secure in the faithfulness of God.
One: In God's presence there is fullness of joy.
All: In God's right hand are pleasures forevermore.
One: With joy and gladness, let us worship God.

✟HYMN ***This Joyful Eastertide*** **#244**

✟PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord God, you made the hearts of the disciples glad with the knowledge of the resurrection of Jesus, your Son. Forgive us because, like them, we find the truth of Easter so hard to believe; forgive us that we are so easily downcast, and given to despair; forgive us that, when we can't see you clearly, we forget our purpose, our calling, our mission; forgive us that we prefer to remain behind locked doors, rather than joining you at work in the world. Come to us, Lord God, as you came to the disciples on Easter morning and take away our crippling doubts and fears. Send us your Spirit to bring us to life in your service and in our calling, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

✟ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE *based on* 1 Peter 1

One: By God's great mercy, we have been given a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.
All: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!

✟PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

✟RESPONSE ***Because You Live, O Christ*** **#249, v. 3**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please sign the Registration Pad found at the end of the row and pass it along.

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

All children are invited to come forward for the Time for Young Disciples. Following this time, children through 1st grade are invited to Children's Church.

OFFERING OUR LIVES TO GOD

Offertory ***Trio on "When Love is Found"*** *Randolph Currie*
✟Response ***Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna!*** **#248, v. 3**
✟Prayer of Dedication

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

HEBREW BIBLE READING Genesis 1:1-5, 26-31 p. 1 OT
This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING John 20:19-23 p. 114 NT
This is the Word of the Lord.
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THE WORD PROCLAIMED **Tim Reynolds**

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

THE LORD'S SUPPER
Invitation to the Lord's Table
✟Preparatory Hymn ***O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing*** **#255**
Great Thanksgiving & The Lord's Prayer (p. 35 – *Glory to God*)
The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
Lift up your hearts. **They are lifted up to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.
Communion of the People ***Almighty Father*** *Benjamin Harlan*
Prayer after Communion

✟AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Vision Statement of 2nd Presbyterian Church
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.

✟HYMN OF SENDING ***We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight*** **#817**

✟BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

✟POSTLUDE ***I Know that My Redeemer Lives*** *Richard Weinhorst*

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



Communion: We welcome all who follow Jesus, regardless of denomination, to the Lord's Table, including children. Parents who wish to celebrate communion as a family may get their children from the nursery during the singing of the Communion preparation hymn. **Communion will be received in the pews this morning.**

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Sarah Morgan – Pastor
Tim Reynolds – Pastor
Matthew Mimbs – Director of Music & Arts
Sarah Warner-Sperl – Organist
2nd Presbyterian Chancel Choir

Ushers: Nancy Smythe, Kay and Terry Weaver, and Tim Wright
Technicians: Matt Casey (video); Matthew Lowe (audio)

WORSHIP

UPCOMING SERMON TEXTS AND TOPICS: We are currently following the Revised Common Lectionary.

Apr 12	John 20:19-31	Jesus Appears to the Disciples
Apr 19	Luke 24:13-35	Jesus Appears on the Road to Emmaus
Apr 26	John 10:1-10	The Good Shepherd
May 3	John 14:1-14	The Way, The Truth, The Life

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

COMMUNION WILL BE RECEIVED IN THE PEWS this morning. We will be using the "dual cup method" to receive the sacrament. There are two cups in each slot in the tray. The bottom cup holds one piece of communion bread and the top cup holds the juice. When the tray is passed to you, remove both cups together, separate them, and then hold them until everyone has been served. We will take the bread and the juice together, as instructed by the pastors. For those who would like a gluten-free option, cups with gluten-free bread are in the center rings of the tray.

WELCOME VISITORS!

We are excited to have you with us today and hope you feel at home! We are honored you are here and pray you will feel God's presence in this place. If you do not have a church home, we would love for you to be a part of the 2nd Pres. Please let us know a bit about you by completing a Visitor's Card or by filling out your information in the Friendship Register. Children are welcome in worship. There is a **family worship area** down front. There is also a "crying room" next door in the Library where the service is live streamed. **Children's Worship Bags** are available in the Narthex. Children ages 2 through 1st grade are invited to **Children's Church** following the children's time in worship. A **nursery is available** beginning at 9:15 for infants and children through age 2. **Hearing Devices** are available if needed.

CONNECT

FELLOWSHIP TIME: Join us after worship each week for coffee, lemonade, cookies, and a time of fellowship.

FOOD & FRIENDS is a ministry to college students and young adults. On the 2nd Sunday of each month, all college students and young adults are invited to have lunch together at a local restaurant paid for by the church. If you are interested in hosting Food & Friends, scan the QR code to sign up or let Pastor Tim know. **The next Food and Friends is TODAY! Hosts are Jimmy & Ileen Cheek.**

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN will have their monthly gathering this Tuesday, April 14, at 10 a.m. in the fellowship hall. The Bible study for this month is on Paul's imprisonment in Philippi. All are welcome to join us on Tuesday!

CELEBRATE OUR GRADUATES on Sunday, April 26th right after worship in the gym. We look forward to honoring our upcoming grads, Henry Casey, Dale Henley, and Jessie Wilson, and hope you'll join us for lunch and the festivities!

GROW

THE FAITH, SCIENCE & THE FUTURE SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS meets in the Barbour Room at 9:30 a.m. weekly. This class studies current events through the lens of faith using a weekly curriculum called *The Wired Word.* All are invited – join us!

PASTOR'S BIBLE STUDY: The Pastor's Bible Study meets on Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. in the Barbour Room. We are studying the books of Ezra and Nehemiah.

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UKIRK EXTRA GIVING OPPORTUNITY: If you are interested supporting a special project that will increase awareness of UKirk's ministry on campus through a one-time gift of $250, please contact Pastor Tim for details.

NEHEMIAH ASSEMBLY: We have been invited to join Westminster Presbyterian at the Justice Knox Nehemiah Action Assembly on Monday, April 13 at 7:00 p.m. at the Knoxville Civic Auditorium. The Nehemiah Action Assembly is the gathering at which city leaders are asked to commit to specific actions resulting from a year-long study. There will be a pre-meeting to explain guidelines at 6:40 p.m., with the meeting to follow from 7:00-8:30 p.m. If you would like tickets or more information, contact Leonard Bailey (865-207-4947 or lbailey@chartertn.net).

SUPPORT

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

GIVE ONLINE: Visit us at www.2ndpres.org/give, text *2ndPresKnox* to 73256, or scan the QR code to the right.

THIS WEEK IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Sunday April 12th

9:15 a.m. Choir Practice (Sanctuary)
9:30 a.m. Faith, Science & The Future Class (Barbour Rm.)
10:30 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)
11:30 a.m. Fellowship Time (outside, weather permitting)
12:00 p.m. Food & Friends (offsite)
1:00 p.m. Handbell Practice (Choir Rm.)

Monday, April 13th

12:00 p.m. Preschool Board Meeting (Zoom)
5:30 p.m. Women's Growth Group (Library)

Tuesday, April 14th

10:00 a.m. Presbyterian Women (Fellowship Hall)
6:00 p.m. Worship Team Meeting (Barbour Rm.)
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts (Gym/Scout Rm.)
8:45 p.m. UKirk Basketball (Gym)

Wednesday, April 15th

11:30 a.m. 2nd Readers Book Club (Buckingham Clubhouse)
1:00 p.m. Mixed Growth Group (Library)

Thursday, April 16th

10:30 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study (Barbour Rm.)
5:30 p.m. Men's Growth Group (Small Conference Rm.)

Sunday, April 19th

9:15 a.m. Choir Practice (Sanctuary)
9:30 a.m. Faith, Science & The Future Class (Barbour Rm.)
10:30 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)
11:30 a.m. Fellowship Time (Outside, weather permitting)
1:00 p.m. Handbell Choir Practice (Choir Rm.)

PRAYER CONCERNS

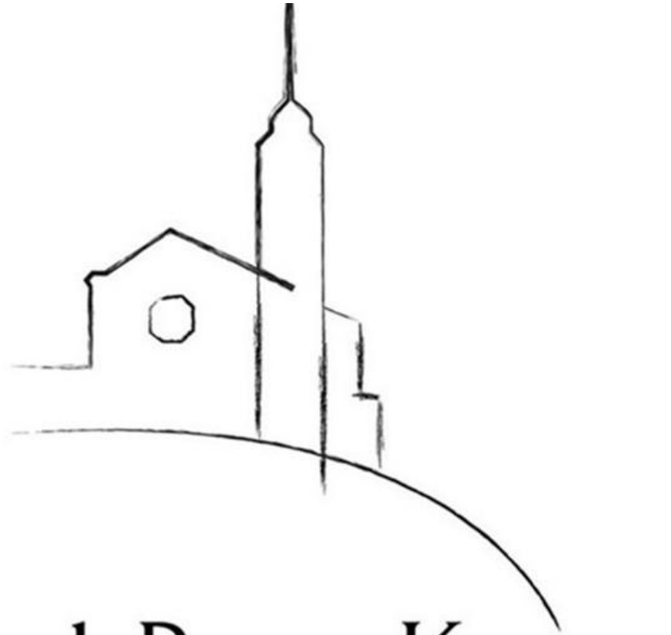
The Matthews Family, The family of Geoff Duggan, The family of Joe Beals, Mark Jenkins, Fran McLean, Bill Roach, Jr., and Arlys Milligan

*Please notify the office if you are sick, in the hospital, or have a prayer request.
Names remain on the prayer list 4 weeks unless requested to keep them on longer.

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