4th Sunday in Lent

March 15th, 2026 **10:30 a.m.**

PRELUDE ***Kyrie*** *Girolamo Frescobaldi*

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

INTROIT

✞CALL TO WORSHIP *based on* Psalm 23

One: May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
All: And also with you.
One: The Lord is my shepherd.
All: The Lord leads us, guiding us in ways that are right.
One: The Lord is my shepherd.
All: The Lord restores what is broken.
One: The Lord is my shepherd.
All: The Lord comforts us in our times of need.
One: The Lord is my shepherd.
All: The Lord anoints us and walks with us all the days of our life. With gratitude, let us worship the Lord.

✞HYMN OF PRAISE ***Hail to the Lord's Anointed*** WEBB

✞PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of all, who is above all and through all and in all, you ask us to live out our calling to be the church. You have given us the gifts we need to fulfill our call to do your work in the world together, but we have rejected these gifts. We deny them or we use them only for frivolous things. We are jealous of the gifts of others and often let comparison tamp down our efforts to glorify you. Forgive us, God, for the ways that we deny who you have called us to be. Anoint us, once more, with your Spirit; and help us to live into our unified calling to be the many parts of the one body of Christ in the world. Amen.

✞ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

One: Friends, hear and believe the good news:
All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.
One: For once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Walk as children of the light.
All: For the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true.

✞PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

✞RESPONSE ***Hail to the Lord's Anointed*** WEBB

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.

✞HYMN OF PREPARATION ***My Shepherd Will Supply My Need*** **#803**

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING & INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

EPISTLE READING Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-12 p. 193-194 NT

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM ***Gentle Voice*** *Susan and Lee Dengler*

HEBREW BIBLE READING 1 Samuel 16:1-13 p. 259-260 OT

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Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED **Tim Reynolds**

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

OFFERING OUR LIVES TO GOD

Offertory ***Nun danket alle Gott*** *Johann Crüger*
✞Response ***Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*** **#606**
✞Prayer of Dedication

✞AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *from* The Confession of 1967

To be reconciled to God is to be sent into the world as God's reconciling community. The church maintains continuity with the apostles and with Israel by faithful obedience to his call. Wherever the church exists, its members are both gathered in corporate life and dispersed in society for the sake of mission in the world. Each member is the church in the world, endowed by the Spirit with some gift of ministry and is responsible for the integrity of his or her witness in each particular situation.

✞HYMN OF SENDING ***How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord*** **#432**

✞BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

✞POSTLUDE ***Andante in C minor*** *Christian Heinrich Rinck*

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

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

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

Ushers: Betsy Foster, Liz Peebles, Kay and Terry Weaver
Technicians: Matt Casey (video); Matthew Lowe (audio)

WORSHIP

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

Mar 15	1 Samuel 16:1-13	The Anointing of David
Mar 22	Ezekiel 37:1-14	The Valley of the Dry Bones
Mar 29	Matthew 21:1-11	Jesus' Entry into Jerusalem
Apr 5	John 20:1-18	He Is Risen!

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

PRAYER STATIONS are available in Room 50 (on the opposite end of the hall from the library) throughout Lent. Come and take advantage of this opportunity for prayer any time the church is open.

EASTER FLOWER ORDERS can be placed in honor/memory of a loved one. Details are in the order form in your bulletin – you may order using the form OR by scanning the QR code here to order through Realm. **All flower orders are due by Sunday, March 22.** Thank you for helping us beautify our sanctuary for Easter Sunday!

PALM SUNDAY: Palm Sunday is March 29th. Everyone is invited to pick up a palm as they enter the sanctuary to wave during the first hymn. All children and their families are invited to come to the Narthex at the start of worship to receive palms and parade through the sanctuary during the first hymn.

MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE: On Maundy Thursday, April 2nd, we will celebrate Holy Thursday with a service of communion at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

GOOD FRIDAY PRAYER SERVICE: We will gather with 7 other PCUSA congregations at Graystone Presbyterian Church at 12 noon on Good Friday, April 3rd, for a reflective and contemplative prayer service.

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NEHEMIAH ASSEMBLY: We have been invited to join our friends at Westminster Presbyterian at the Justice Knox Nehemiah Action Assembly on Monday, April 13 at 7:00 p.m. at the Knoxville Civic Auditorium. Westminster has been a supporting congregation for Justice Knox for a decade, and the Nehemiah Action Assembly is the gathering where Justice Knox publicly asks city leaders to commit to specific actions resulting from a year-long study. The Assembly will be held at the Civic Auditorium beginning with a pre-meeting to explain guidelines at 6:40 p.m., and the meeting to follow from 7:00-8:30 p.m. If you would like to get tickets or would like more information, contact Leonard Bailey (865-207-4947 or Lbailey@chartertn.net).

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 April 12th!**

PIZZA & BINGO: You're invited to join us after worship NEXT SUNDAY for a pizza lunch followed by an afternoon of Bingo! There will be prizes for youth and adults as well as a special prize for the last game: a "blackout round" for the first person to completely fill their card! See you on the 22nd!

OAKES TULIP FESTIVAL: We're going to the Tulip Festival at Oakes Farm in Corryton on Saturday, March 28, and all are invited to come along! Join us at Oakes (8240 Corryton Rd.) at 10 a.m. for a beautiful morning of fellowship and flowers as we welcome the season of spring. Tickets are $10, and if you would like to be included in the ticket count, please contact Holly Grimm by this Wednesday, March 18th.

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 reading and studying the books of Ezra and Nehemiah.

GROWTH GROUPS: This is the last week for Winter Quarter of Growth Groups. Growth Group meetings will be on break until the week of April 12th. Spring Quarter Growth Group signups will be March 29th-April 12th. Watch this space and the website for more information.

EGGS NEEDED! We are now collecting candy-filled plastic Easter eggs for our egg hunt on Easter Sunday, April 5 (*nut-free candy only, please!*). There is a collection box for eggs located in the atrium. Thank you in advance for your donations!

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, March 15th

9:15 a.m.	Choir Practice (Sanctuary)
9:30 a.m.	Faith, Science & The Future Class (Barbour Room)
10:30 a.m.	Worship (Sanctuary)
11:30 a.m.	Fellowship (Mary Chambers Room)
1:00 p.m.	Handbell Choir Practice (Choir Room)

Monday, March 16th

9:45 a.m.	Staff Meeting (Break Room)
5:30 p.m.	Women's Growth Group (Library)

Tuesday, March 17th

6:00 p.m.	Session Meeting (Barbour Rm.)
7:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts (Gym/Scout Room)
8:45 p.m.	UKirk Basketball (Gym)

Wednesday, March 18th

11:30 a.m.	2nd Readers (Buckingham Clubhouse)
3:00 p.m.	Couples Growth Group (Library)

Thursday, March 19th

10:30 a.m.	Pastor's Bible Study (Barbour Rm.)
11:30 a.m.	PET Retired Pastors' Lunch (Mary Chamber Room)
5:30 p.m.	Men's Growth Group (Small Conference Room)

Sunday, March 22nd

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.	Pizza and Bingo (Gym)
1:00 p.m.	Handbell Choir Practice (Choir Room)

PRAYER CONCERNS

Joe Beals, Geoff Duggan, 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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following Jesus and serving him in the world.*

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