

18th Sunday after Pentecost

September 22nd, 2024

10:30 a.m.

PRELUDE

Praise Hymn Medley

arr. Marcia Wells

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

INTROIT

✠ CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 1

One: May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: **And also with you.**

One: Blessed are those who delight in the law of the Lord,

All: **and meditate on God's word day and night.**

One: They are like trees planted by streams of water,

All: **which yield their fruit in its season.**

One: Let us worship the Lord,

All: **our source of wisdom and strength.**

✠ HYMN OF PRAISE

Come Sing to God

#805, vv. 1-3

✠ PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that we have often acted without thinking and with only our selfish ambition and pride in mind. We have allowed envy and self-interest to guide our actions, rather than the wisdom that comes from above. Forgive us for the times we have caused conflicts and quarrels among ourselves and others. Help us to follow you and to draw near to your grace. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

✠ ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

One: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

All: **As far as the east is from the west, so far has God removed our transgressions from us. Let us give thanks and walk in newness of life!**

✠ RESPONSE

Come Sing to God

#805, v. 4

✠ PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please sign the Registration Pad found on the table and pass it around.

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

God Is Our Refuge and Our Strength

#329

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

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Hebrews 12:5-11

p. 227 NT

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

I Believe

Mark A. Miller

HEBREW BIBLE READING

Genesis 3:13, 16-4:16

p. 3 OT

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

Tim Reynolds

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

OFFERING OUR LIVES TO GOD

Offertory

Elegy, Op. 85, No. 4

Felix Mendelssohn

✠ Response *As Those of Old Their Firstfruits Brought* #712, v. 3

✠ Prayer of Dedication

✠ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

adapted from The Heidelberg Catechism (1563)

I believe that the Son of God, through his Spirit and Word, out of the entire human race, from the beginning of the world to its end, gathers, protects, and preserves for himself, a community chosen for eternal life and united in true faith. And of this community I am and always will be a living member. I believe that God, because of Christ's satisfaction, will no longer remember any of my sins or my sinful nature, which I need to struggle against all my life. Rather, by grace, God grants me the righteousness of Christ to free me forever from judgment.

✠ HYMN OF SENDING

We Praise You, O God

#612

✠ BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

✠ POSTLUDE

We Praise Thee, O God

arr. Christine S. Robbins

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

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Tim Reynolds – Pastor

Sarah Morgan – Pastor

Matthew Mimbs – Director of Music & Arts

2nd Presbyterian Chancel Choir

Ushers: Gerald Cook, Lauren Dodson, Leslie and Doug Matthews

Technicians: Matt Casey (video); Dale Henley (audio)

WORSHIP

UPCOMING SERMON TEXTS AND TOPICS: Our current sermon series is called *God's Kingdom People*. From now until Christmas we are focusing on the relationship between God and the Israelites.

Sept. 22	Genesis 4	God's Kingdom People: <i>The Fallout</i>
Sept. 29	Genesis 12	God's Kingdom People: <i>The Call</i>
Oct. 6	Exodus 16-19	God's Kingdom People: <i>The Wilderness</i>
Oct. 13	Exodus 20-24	God's Kingdom People: <i>The Covenant</i>

THE FLOWERS THIS WEEK are given to the glory of God by Lily Wu in loving memory of Charles Wu, and by Richard and Lauren Dodson in honor of Elsie Dodson's 96th Birthday.

LITURGISTS WANTED: We are looking to add a few people to our rotation of liturgists on Sunday mornings. If you are interested in participating in this ministry, please contact Pastor Tim (treynolds@2ndpres.org). Training will be provided.

FOUNDER'S DAY IS APPROACHING: The Founder's Day celebration is Sunday, October 20, 2024. We will have worship as usual, with a Founder's Day program and lunch following the service with dishes from our congregation. If you have a favorite old family recipe, share it with us and bring the food to lunch! Lunch will be in the Fellowship Hall immediately after the worship service.

CONNECT

FELLOWSHIP TIME: All are invited to stay for coffee, lemonade, cookies, and a time of fellowship following worship each week.

COMPLIMENTARY TICKETS TO GREEK FEST: Complimentary tickets to Greek Fest will be available in the church office this week. The 47th Annual Greek Fest is the weekend of September 27th. Please see Jack in the Church Office if you would like tickets.

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.

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!

FOOD & FRIENDS is a ministry to college students and young adults. Following worship, any college student or young adult who would like to go to lunch with other young adults is invited to meet at the Baptismal Font. We will go to a local restaurant together, and lunch will be paid for by the church. If you would like to sign up to host, please use the sign-up link in the weekly email blast, the QR code to the right, or contact Tim Reynolds (treynolds@2ndpres.org). Our first lunch of the semester will be TODAY.



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PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS OFFERING This special offering will be received on Sunday, September 29, and on Sunday, October 6. Our gifts to the Peace & Global Witness Offering are helping our neighbors in need - those who live next door, down the street, and across the globe. Our neighbors need us. Please give what you can to the Peace & Global Witness Offering.

WEST VIEW SCHOOL COUPON BOOKS: West View School Coupon Books are on sale Sunday before church in the Atrium or afterwards at Fellowship Time. Each book is \$20, and Sandra Butler can be contacted to reserve your Coupon Book. Contact Sandra Butler at sandyb446@comcast.net or (865) 659-4416.

SUPPORT

WELCOME TO OUR NEW CHURCH ADMINISTRATOR: Jack Rosamond is our new Church Administrator. He will be in the church office Monday-Thursday, 9am-4pm. His email address is jrosamond@2ndpres.org. Jack is the new contact for all church business. Please stop by the office to introduce yourself and welcome him to the 2nd Pres Knox family!

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, September 22nd

- 9:15 a.m. Choir Practice (Sanctuary)
- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
 - Elementary Youth (Rm 206)
 - Middle & High School Youth (Rm 208)
 - Faith, Science and the Future (Barbour Rm)
- 10:30 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)

Tuesday, September 24th

- 9:00 a.m. FISH Pantry (Fellowship Hall)

Sunday, September 29th

- 9:15 a.m. Choir Practice (Sanctuary)
- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:30 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)

PRAYER CONCERNS

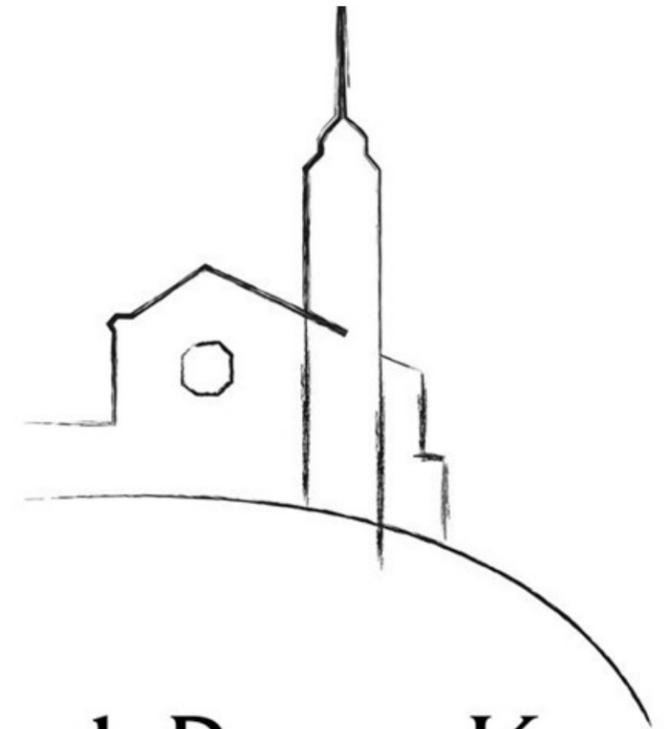
Zach Burch, Amy Garcia, Sue Jacox,
The family of Louise Josephson, Donna Downen, and Arlys Milligan

**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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*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.*

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