16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 19th, 2026 **10:30 a.m.**

PRELUDE *Holy God, We Praise Thy Name* *Ignaz Franz*

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

INTROIT

✞CALL TO WORSHIP *based on* Zechariah 9

One: May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
All: And also with you.
One: Come and celebrate, people of God! Sing and shout your praise!
All: For our God comes to us: triumphant and victorious, yet gentle and humble of heart.
One: He comes bringing peace, offering hope and freedom to all who despair.
All: Let us worship our God together!

✞HYMN OF PRAISE *God of Our Life* **#686**

✞PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious and merciful God, you have created us for fellowship with you and with one another. In Jesus Christ, you have called us friends and commanded us to love one another as we have been loved by you. Yet we confess that we have not always been faithful friends. We are too often quick to judge and slow to listen. We allow pride, jealousy, fear, and resentment to shape our relationships. We fail to speak words of encouragement and comfort in times of difficulty and fail to speak loving words of accountability and truth when needed. Forgive us, Lord. Send your Holy Spirit to renew our hearts that we might be faithful companions, generous listeners, and loyal friends, reflecting the reconciling love of Christ and being signs of your kingdom in the world. In Jesus' holy name we pray. Amen.

✞ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE *from* Psalm 145

One: People of God, know this: Our God is merciful and compassionate, slow to get angry, and filled with unfailing love.
All: When we stumble, God is there to catch us. When we are weighed down, God is there to lift us up.
One: We can be at peace, knowing that our sins are forgiven.
All: Thanks be to God. Amen.

✞PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

✞RESPONSE *Glory Be to the Father* **#581**

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 2nd grade are invited to Children's Church.

✞HYMN OF PREPARATION *Blest Be the Tie That Binds* **#306, omit v. 4**

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING & INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, your name is hallowed.
Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever.
Amen.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

NEW TESTAMENT READING Romans 12:9-18 p. 162 NT

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

ANTHEM *Beautiful Savior* *arr. Tom Fettke*

HEBREW BIBLE READING Proverbs 27, select verses p. 609 OT

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THE WORD PROCLAIMED **Sarah Morgan**

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

OFFERING OUR LIVES TO GOD

Offertory *Trio on Let Us with a Gladsome Mind* *Janet Correll*
✞Response *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* **#606**
✞Prayer of Dedication

✞AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *from* 1 John 4

God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent God's only Son into the world so that we might live through him. Since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. If we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.

✞HYMN OF SENDING *God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me* **#543**

✞BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

✞POSTLUDE *O God Look Down From Heaven* *Johann Pachelbel*

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

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

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

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

WORSHIP

UPCOMING SERMON TEXTS AND TOPICS: This morning, Pastor Sarah continues her summer sermon series, *Holy Home Décor.* Pastor Tim continues the *Religious Mythbusters* series next week.

July 19	Proverbs 27	*Holy Home Décor:* Friendship
July 26	Psalm 19	*Religious Mythbusters:* Being Christian Means Being Anti-Science
Aug 2	Mark 2:1-12	*Religious Mythbusters:* God Helps Those Who Help Themselves
Aug 9	Revelation 21:1-5	*Religious Mythbusters:* Our Souls Go to Heaven and We Become Angels

THE FLOWERS THIS WEEK are given in thanksgiving for our July mothers, Wilma Abbott Nelson and Elenor Carter Peebles, by Neal and Elizabeth Peebles. Thanks be to God for our Christian mothers.

A MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR ELSIE DODSON will be held Sunday, August 30th at 2:30 pm. The service will be at Berry-Highland funeral home. Visitation with the family will follow the service.

JOIN THE USHERING TEAM! Ushers greet folks arriving at church and are often the first contact a visitor makes in our congregation. If you are interested in joining the usher rotation, please text either Kim Hudgens 865-567-6477 or Janis Smith 615-260-7784. We would love to talk with you about the simple but gratifying responsibilities of ushering at Second!

BE A LITURGIST! We are currently looking for folks who are interested in serving as a liturgist for worship. Pastor Tim will provide a training this summer and you will be worked into the rotation beginning in September. If you are interested in serving in this important role, please email Pastor Tim at treynolds@2ndpres.org.

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 2nd 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

WEDDING SHOWER: THIS MORNING the Connect Team is hosting a wedding shower for Seth Reynolds and Blythe Lundberg (son and future daughter-in-law of Tim and Tuesday Reynolds) in the Fellowship Hall following worship (reminder: lunch will be provided!). All are invited!

LONG TABLE LUNCHES: Come and be part of our monthly Long Table Lunch! These lunches are for anyone who would like to go out to eat with others following worship on the first Sunday of the month. A reservation is not required, but if you know you're going to attend, we'd love for you to let us know by calling the church office during the week prior. The next Long Table Lunch is August 2nd. Meet at the baptismal font following worship if you are interested in going!

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 welcome!

PASTOR'S BIBLE STUDY: Join us on Thursdays at 10:30 in the Barbour Room. This summer we are studying the book of Revelation using N.T. Wright's *Revelation for Everyone.* Copies are available in the church office at no charge.

PICNIC & POPSICLES: Bring your family and a picnic out to the playground at Second Pres THIS Saturday, July 25th, from 10:00-12:00. We'll provide popsicles for everyone! In the event of bad weather, this event will be in the gym. Contact Holly Grimm if you have any questions, hgrimm@2ndpres.org. See you Saturday!

GO

WEST VIEW WORK DAY: Save the date for Saturday, August 1, and join us for our annual "Sweating with the Oldies" work day at West View Elementary School! Volunteers are needed for both outdoor *and* indoor projects from 8:30-12:00, so we invite you to sign up using this QR code to help make WVES look amazing for the 2026-27 year! This is something 2nd Pres has been doing for 18 years as a cooperative effort alongside Westminster Presbyterian and Clear Defense Pest Control; let's keep the tradition going! If you have further questions at this time, call/text Lauren Dodson, 865-738-4257 or Glenn Lamping, 715-302-2468.

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, July 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. Wedding Shower for Seth & Blythe (Fellowship Hall)

Monday, July 20th
- 9:45 a.m.. Staff Meeting (Break Rm.
- 6:30 p.m. UKirk Board Meeting (Barbour Rm.)

Tuesday, July 21st
- 8:45 p.m. UKirk Basketball (Gym)

Wednesday, July 22nd
- 10:00 a.m. Arts and Crafts (Rm. 227)

Thursday, July 23rd
- 10:30 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study (Barbour Rm.)

Saturday, July 25th
- 10:00 a.m. Picnic & Popsicles (Playground)

Sunday, July 26th
- 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*)

PRAYER CONCERNS

Kathryn Freeman, The family of Elsie Dodson, Christina Young, John Reynolds, 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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