Trinity Sunday

June 15th, 2025 **10:30 a.m.**

PRELUDE ***Amazing Grace*** *Arr.Wayne Leupold*

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

INTROIT

✞CALL TO WORSHIP *from* Psalm 119

One: May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
All: And also with you.
One: Let us worship the Triune God.
All: Let us worship the One who spoke in the beginning and created something out of nothing.
One: Let us worship the Triune God.
All: Let us worship the One who became one of us to set free those who were oppressed.
One: Let us worship the Triune God.
All: Let us worship the One whose Spirit rests continually upon us, empowering us to live and love for God.

✞HYMN OF PRAISE ***Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!*** **#1, vv. 1-3**

✞PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We come before you, O Lord, grateful for every good and perfect gift that comes from you. We confess, however, that we too quickly forget that you are a generous God, giving to everyone without a second thought. We worry that you won't continue to provide for us, so we seek security not in you, but in wealth, status, possessions, self-sufficiency, political parties – the things of this world. Forgive us, O Lord, for forgetting that all earthly things eventually fade away; for forgetting that only your permanence brings true security. Send us your Spirit to remind us that you are infinitely generous and to help us treasure that which is eternal. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

✞ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE *from* Psalm 103

One: The Lord is compassionate and merciful, exceedingly patient and full of faithful love.
All: The Lord's faithful love is from forever ago to forever from now.
One: The Lord doesn't deal with us according to our sin or repay us according to our wrongdoing.
All: As far as east is from west – that's how far God has removed our sin from us.

✞RESPONSE ***Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!*** **#1, 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 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 ***Abide with Me*** **#836, vv. 1.3,4**

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING & INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
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

HEBREW BIBLE READING Isaiah 40:1-11 p. 667 OT

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

ANTHEM ***Break Forth into Song*** *Allen Pote*

NEW TESTAMENT READING James 1:9-18 p. 228 NT

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Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED **Tim Reynolds**

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

OFFERING OUR LIVES TO GOD

Offertory ***Phrygian Prelude*** *Flor Peeters*
✞Response ***Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*** **#606**
✞Prayer of Dedication

✞AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

✞HYMN OF SENDING ***Fight the Good Fight*** **#846**

✞BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

✞POSTLUDE ***My Inmost Heart Now Raises*** *Johann Christoph Bach*

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

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Tim Reynolds – Pastor
Clara Hardin – Liturgist
Matthew Mimbs – Director of Music & Arts
Sarah Warner – Organist
2nd Presbyterian Chancel Choir

Ushers: Doug Barbour, Liz Peebles, Gerald & Linda Cook
Technicians: Dale Henley (video); Neal Henley (audio)

WORSHIP

UPCOMING SERMON TEXTS AND TOPICS: What does it really mean to live out the faith we hold? The book of James offers one of the most practical and challenging guides in all of Scripture – calling us not just to believe, but to act on our belief. Our summer sermon series, *Faith in Action: A Journey through James*, explores what authentic, active faith looks like in everyday life.

June 15	James 1:12-18	Faith in Action: *The Snares of the World*
June 22	Luke 8:26-39	Rev. Dr. Wendy Neff, General Presbyter
June 29	James 1:19-27	Faith in Action: *The Word at Work*
July 6	James 2:1-13	Faith in Action: *No Favorites*

THE FLOWERS THIS WEEK are given to the glory of God, and by Church of the Savior with gratitude and appreciation for your generous hospitality.

PASTOR SARAH is on sabbatical through Labor Day. She will return to the office on September 2nd.

NEXT SUNDAY, REV. DR. WENDY NEFF will be preaching during worship. Wendy is the General Presbyter for the Presbytery of East Tennessee. She served three different congregations in this presbytery prior to being called to serve as General Presbyter. Wendy lives in Knoxville with her husband, two teenage children (one of whom just graduated from Hardin Valley), and two dogs. Pastor Tim will be out of the office on vacation from Friday through Monday.

SUMMER WORSHIP CHANGE: The Worship Team asks that everyone sit in the front half of the sanctuary during worship this summer to encourage togetherness and fellowship. We understand this may be difficult for those of you who like to sit in the back, so please think of it this way: you are still sitting in the back, it's just that the back has moved up!

LITURGISTS WANTED! 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. Additionally, Dana Hendrix, who has been serving as a liturgist and scheduling the liturgists is moving to Michigan. If you are interested in creating the liturgist schedule every 3-4 months, please let Pastor Tim know.

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

2ND READERS BOOK CLUB meets on June 18th at 11:30 am at Buckingham Clubhouse. Their book for this month is *Switchboard Soldiers* by Jennifer Chiaverini. If you have any questions, please contact Margaret Sullivan at 865-363-3967.

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!

OUR SUMMER BIBLE STUDY coincides with our summer sermon series, *Faith in Action: A Journey through James*. Each week we gather with Pastor Tim to discuss the sermon and study the passage from the previous Sunday in more depth. The class meets in the Barbour Room on Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. We hope you join us!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED in the nursery and preschool! Please contact Holly Grimm at (865) 243-6353 if you are interested.

GO

FISH MISSION DONATIONS: We are currently asking you to direct your monetary gifts directly to the FISH designated fund rather than donating items. You can contribute via Realm, the church website, or by check. Monthly donations would be most helpful. FISH meets on the 4th Tuesday of the month to pack and/or deliver. If you'd like to help, contact Dick Dodson at rtdodson52@gmail.com.

SUPPORT

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

FRIDAY E-NEWS: If you are not receiving the Friday E-News and would like to, please email Jack Rosamond (jrosamond@2ndpres.org) and let him know you would like to be added to the list.

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*.

THE DEADLINE FOR 2ND EDITION ARTICLES is Friday, June 20th.

THIS WEEK IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Sunday, June 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 Time

Monday, June 16th
- 9:45 a.m. Staff Meeting (Small Conference Room)

Tuesday, June 17th
- 10:30 a.m. Faith in Action Bible Study (Barbour Room)
- 6:00 p.m. Session Meeting (Barbour Room)

Wednesday, June 18th
- 11:30 a.m. 2nd Readers Book Club (Buckingham Clubhouse)

Friday, June 20th
- 4:00 p.m. Deadline for 2nd Edition Articles

Sunday, June 22nd
- 9:15 a.m. Choir Practice (Sanctuary)
- 9:30 a.m. Faith, Science & The Future Class (Barbour Room)
- 10:30 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)

PRAYER CONCERNS

Joan Riedl, Sue Jacox, Mark Jenkins, Mancil Milligan, Janet Chadwick, Bill Roach, Jr., 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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Faith in Action: A Journey Through James

James 1:9-18 – The Snares of the World

The Snare of Wealth:

Trusting in _____ instead of _____.

Our value comes from _____ _____ _____,

not _____ _____ _____.

The Snare of Temptation:

Thinking temptation comes from _____.

Temptation comes from _____,

not from _____.

Don't blame _____ and don't blame _____.

How to Trust God Amid the Snares of the World

Start our prayers with _____ _____.

Remember that God is _____.

Questions for Further Study
For the week of June 15, 2025

1. James wants us to consider what is permanent and of lasting value in our lives. What is something of lasting value that you have worked hard to earn?

Recently there have been tornadoes and wildfires across the country and we have seen the devastation they have caused on the news. If a tornado or wildfire was heading towards your home and you had to evacuate quickly, what things would you grab? What things "of value" would be easiest for you to leave behind?

How do the following verses help us to consider what things are of *true* value in our life?

Matthew 6:19-21 Matthew 6:24

Luke 12:34

2. Giving in to temptation can be quite humbling and frightening to admit. What hope do the following verses give us when this occurs?

Proverbs 18:12 Isaiah 57:15

Hebrews 4:14-16 James 4:6

3. Temptation in our lives is often subtle. If we want to avoid or stand up to temptation when it comes, we need to be prepared. How do the following passages help prepare us to deal with the temptations that come our way?

Galatians 6:7-10 Romans 6:12-13

Hebrews 2:17-18