6th Sunday of Easter

May 10th, 2026 **10:30 a.m.**

PRELUDE ***Down to the River to Pray*** *arr. Mary McDonald*

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

INTROIT

✞CALL TO WORSHIP *from* Psalm 66

One: Christ is risen!
All: He is risen indeed!
One: Bless our God, O peoples.
All: Let sounds of praise be heard!
One: No matter what we've been through – fire or water,
All: God has brought us through it, to a spacious place.
One: Come and hear. Let sounds of praise be heard!
All: Blessed be our God, whose steadfast love continues forever and ever.

✞HYMN OF PRAISE ***We Praise You, O God*** **#612**

✞PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Renewing God, we are eager to do good. We want to be pursuers of peace, to turn away from evil things. But sometimes that is easier said than done. The world is so noisy, and it's hard to hear your voice calling us to righteousness, to unity and sympathy and love for our neighbor. Instead, we are afraid – afraid of the other, of failure, of change. In our daily living, fear washes over us and threatens to pull us under. Forgive us, Lord, for the ways we allow fear to win. Show us the way to a new life in Christ Jesus and equip us for doing what is good in the world that you so love. Amen.

✞ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

One: Friends, God forgives, restores, and strengthens us through the risen Christ.
All: Through the risen Christ, we have forgiveness and find peace. Thanks be the God.

✞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 ***Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*** **#475**

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

HEBREW BIBLE READING Genesis 7:1-9 & 8:13-19 p. 6 OT

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

ANTHEM ***Deep River*** *arr. John Leavitt*

GOSPEL READING 1 Peter 3:13-22 p. 234 NT

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Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED **Tim Reynolds**

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

OFFERING OUR LIVES TO GOD

Offertory ***Baptized in Water*** *Michael Saward*
✞Response ***Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!*** **#248, v. 3**
✞Prayer of Dedication

✞AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *from* The Westminster Shorter Catechism

Baptism is a sacrament in which washing with water, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, signifies and seals our grafting into Christ and our partaking of the benefits of the covenant of grace and our engagement to be the Lord's.

✞HYMN OF SENDING ***Lift High the Cross*** **#826**

✞BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

✞POSTLUDE ***On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry*** *Charles Coffin*

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

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Tim Reynolds – Pastor
Sarah Morgan – Pastor
Margie Gill – Liturgist
Matthew Mimbs – Director of Music & Arts
2nd Presbyterian Chancel Choir

Ushers: Jim Giffen, Janis Smith, 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.

May 10	1 Peter 3:13-22	Baptism
May 17	John 14:1-14	The Way, The Truth, The Life
May 24	Acts 2:1-21	The Holy Spirit
May 31	Psalm 8	God's Handiwork

THE TWO FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS are given in memory of Catherine Beals and Wanda Johnson, given by Brent Beals and Bill Johnson, and in honor of our mothers for their love and sacrifice, given by the Barbour family.

CHURCH OF THE SAVIOR: Today is the last Sunday Church of the Savior will be worshiping in our building. They will be moving into their new building this week and hold their first worship service there next Sunday.

CONNECT

LONG TABLE LUNCHES: The Connect Team invites you to go to lunch with friends on the first Sunday of each month. These lunches are for anyone who would like to go out to eat with others following worship on the first Sunday of the month. The group will meet at the baptismal font and disperse from there to a designated restaurant. We hope you'll join us for our next Long Table Lunch on Sunday, June 7.

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!

GIVE A RIDE/GET A RIDE: We've come to realize that several folks in our congregation need rides to worship on Sunday mornings, and we want to find a way to help! If you need a ride to worship, whether on an ongoing or temporary basis, please call the church office and let us know. Alternately, if you are willing to give a ride to worship on Sunday morning, please call the church office or let Pastor Sarah 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 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.

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!

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.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: Save the date for June 22-24 as we combine forces with First Presbyterian Church for Vacation Bible School 2026! This year's theme is "Kingdom Quest," and VBS will take place at FPC (620 State St. behind the Tennessee Theatre). All children are invited to join in on the fun!

SPC FALL RETREAT: The Grow Team is in the early stages of planning a church-wide Fall Retreat for the first time in over a decade! We are looking for volunteers to be part of a planning committee that would organize and discuss details on what we want this event to look like. If you're interested or have questions, please contact Patricia Kennedy at patricia.w.kennedy@gmail.com. We are excited to have these conversations and have more to share soon!

GO

UKIRK EXTRA GIVING OPPORTUNITY: LAST CHANCE! If you are interested in 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. Thanks to a generous donor, all gifts will be matched, up to $2,500. Please take advantage of this opportunity to double your gift!

SUPPORT

OUR CHURCH ADMINISTRATOR, Kathryn Paden, will be out of the office tomorrow and Tuesday, May 11th-12th. There will be volunteers covering the office while she's out, but you may also see Pastor Tim or Pastor Sarah for assistance. You may send Kathryn an email at admin@2ndpres.org and she will follow up with your requests when she returns to the office on Wednesday, May 13th.

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 May 10th

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)
Food & Friends (offsite)

Monday May 11th

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

Tuesday, May 12th

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

Wednesday, May 13th

1:00 p.m. Mixed Growth Group (Library)

Thursday, May 14th

10:30 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study (Barbour Rm.)

Sunday, May 17th

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)
Grow Team Meeting (Small Conference Rm.)

PRAYER CONCERNS

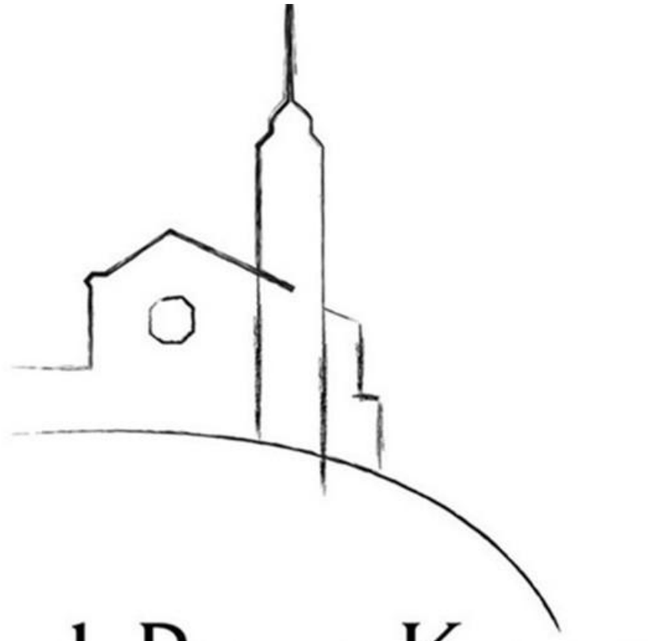
Scott Farris, Tammy Akers, Jim White, Elsie Dodson,
Mark Jenkins, Fran McLean, Bill Roach, Jr., and Arlys Milligan

*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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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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