14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 12th, 2026 **10:30 a.m.**

PRELUDE ***Come Holy Spirit*** *Georg Philipp Telemann*

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

INTROIT

✞CALL TO WORSHIP *based on* Psalm 119

One: May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
All: And also with you.
One: The word of the Lord is a lamp to our feet.
All: The word of the Lord is a light to our path.
One: Give us life, O Lord, according to your word.
All: And accept our offerings of praise.

✞HYMN OF PRAISE ***Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*** **#611**

✞PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that we often lack humility. We live in a world that wants us to be the best, and we fall prey to the pressure of that unachievable task, always competing for the top spot no matter who we leave behind. Forgive us, Lord, for thinking of ourselves more highly than we ought – for losing sight of the image of God in ourselves and our neighbors. Remind us of the love you have for us and for all creation, regardless of achievement or perceived status, and help us to lift one another up in love. We make this prayer in Jesus' name. Amen.

✞ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

One: Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.
All: Through Christ we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand.
One: And we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God.
All: Hallelujah! Amen.

✞PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

✞RESPONSE ***Glory Be to God, the Father*** HYMN TO JOY

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 ***Help Us Accept Each Other*** **#754, vv. 1,2,4**

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

HEBREW BIBLE READING Deuteronomy 10:12-22 p. 167 OT

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

ANTHEM ***Be Thou My Vision*** *arr. Pooler*

NEW TESTAMENT READING Luke 18:9-14 p. 81 NT

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THE WORD PROCLAIMED **Tim Reynolds**

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

OFFERING OUR LIVES TO GOD

Offertory ***The Church's One Foundation*** *Samuel S. Wesley*
✞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 ***In Christ There Is No East or West*** **#317**

✞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
Sarah Morgan – Pastor
Margie Gill – Liturgist
Matthew Mimbs – Director of Music & Arts
Sarah Warner-Sperl - Organist
2nd Presbyterian Chancel Choir

Ushers: Betsy Foster, Doug and Leslie Matthews, and Dick Smith
Technicians: Matthew Lowe (video); Paul Sexauer (audio)

WORSHIP

UPCOMING SERMON TEXTS AND TOPICS: Our current sermon series, *Religious Mythbusters,* uses Scripture to test the validity of religious myths and clichés that sound biblical but are not. Due to popular demand, Pastor Tim is extending this sermon series through the end of the summer. Next week will be the second of Pastor Sarah's summer series, *Holy Home Décor,* after which Pastor Tim will continue busting those religious myths and clichés!

July 12	Luke 18:9-14	*Religious Mythbusters:* God Loves Us More
July 19	Proverbs 27:1-22	*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

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

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: NEXT Sunday, July 19th, the Connect Team will be hosting a wedding shower for Seth Reynolds and Blythe Lundberg (son and future daughter-in-law of Tim and Tuesday Reynolds) following worship in the Fellowship Hall (lunch will be provided!). We are so excited for this special couple and want to show them our love! Seth and Blythe's wedding website and gift registry can be accessed by scanning the QR code here.

LONG TABLE LUNCHES: The Connect Team invites you 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 invited!

PASTOR'S BIBLE STUDY: We meet 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. Hope you can join us!

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 12th
- 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*)

Monday, July 13th
- 12:00 p.m. Preschool Board Meeting (Zoom)

Tuesday, July 14th
- 8:45 p.m. UKirk Basketball (Gym)

Wednesday, July 15th
- 11:30 a.m. 2nd Readers (Library)

Thursday, July 16th
- 10:30 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study (Barbour Rm.)

Sunday, July 19
- 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)
- 11:45 a.m. Grow Team Meeting (Small Conf. Room)

PRAYER CONCERNS

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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