13th Sunday after Pentecost

September 7th, 2025 **10:30 a.m.**

PRELUDE ***Komm, heiliger Geist*** *Georg Philipp Teleman*

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

INTROIT

✞CALL TO WORSHIP

One: May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
All: And also with you.
One: A table is set before us. A feast is prepared for us.
All: A meal of bread and wine, of meat and bitter herbs.
One: The Lord calls us to this meal of remembrance.
All: The Lord calls us to serve and to be served.
One: As we break the bread and share the cup,
All: we will never forget Christ's example and the full extent of his love.

✞HYMN OF PRAISE ***Look Who Gathers at Christ's Table*** **#506**

✞PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, in the breaking of the bread and the pouring of the wine, we become aware of the depth of your self-giving love; we see our own failures to live as people fed by you. In a world hungry for food and thirsty for compassion, we are often stingy and hard-hearted. We make our tables exclusive and share only with those we like. Forgive our selfishness and have mercy upon us. Give us glad and generous hearts, so that we may give freely following the example of Jesus. We make this prayer in his name. Amen.

✞ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

One: In word, in deed, in love that never quits, Jesus Christ has done for us what we could never do for ourselves.
All: This is good news! In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

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

✞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.

OFFERING OUR LIVES TO GOD

Offertory ***Trio on "When Love Is Found"*** *Randolph Currie*
✞Response ***Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*** **#606**
✞Prayer of Dedication

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

HEBREW BIBLE READING Exodus 12:1-4, 11-14 p. 58 OT
This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

NEW TESTAMENT READING 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 p. 173 NT
This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED **Sarah Morgan**

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Lord's Table
✞Preparatory Hymn ***Come to the Table of Grace*** **#507**
Great Thanksgiving & The Lord's Prayer
The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
Lift up your hearts. **They are lifted up to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Communion of the People ***Lamb of God*** *Marie Pooler*
Prayer after Communion

✞AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Vision Statement of 2nd Presbyterian Church

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.

✞HYMN OF SENDING ***An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare*** **#202**

✞BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

✞POSTLUDE ***Christe, der du bist Tag und Licht*** *Michael Praetorius*

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



Communion: We welcome all who follow Jesus, regardless of denomination, to the Lord's Table, including children. Parents who wish to celebrate communion as a family may get their children from the nursery during the singing of the Communion preparation hymn. **Communion will be received in the pews this morning.**

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

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

Ushers: Kim Hudgens, Lauren Dodson, Betsy Foster, Dick Smith
Technicians: Dale Henley (video); Paul Sexauer (audio)

WORSHIP

UPCOMING SERMON TEXTS AND TOPICS: Starting next Sunday, we are going to be following the Revised Common Lectionary on Sunday mornings. It provides a structured way to engage with Scripture throughout the liturgical year, encompassing major festivals and seasons, and provides a common set of readings from Scripture that Christians across the world hear together.

Sept 7	1 Corinthians 11:23-26	Table Fellowship
Sept 14	1 Timothy 1:12-17	The Main Thing
Sept 21	1 Timothy 2:1-7	Praying for Our Enemies
Sept 28	1 Timothy 6:6-19	The Dangers of Wealth

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

PASTOR TIM is away this morning for his 40th High School Reunion.

WORSHIP NEWS: At its most recent meeting, the Worship Team discussed our summer sanctuary seating arrangement and determined that it has been so successful at creating a sense of community and togetherness that we are going to continue sitting in the front part of the sanctuary for the foreseeable future. The Worship Team will continue to monitor the utilization of the sanctuary space going forward and make any adjustments necessary.

COMMUNION WILL BE RECEIVED VIA INTINCTION this morning. Please proceed down the center aisle, break off a piece of bread, dip it in the cup on the side on which you are seated, and return to your seat via the side aisle. A gluten-free communion station is provided to the left. If mobility or health concern is an issue for you, there are self-serve cups available at the entrance to the sanctuary.

DR. RYAN FOGG, professor of music at Carson-Newman University, will be giving a piano recital in the sanctuary on Tuesday, September 9 at 7:00 pm. Dr. Fogg has toured the country giving solo recitals, including one at Carnegie Hall last year. This program will feature selections from Bach, Haydn, Grieg, Ravel, and Muczynski.

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).

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.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN will begin its 2025-2026 study year next Tuesday, Sept. 9 from 10:15-11:30 in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone welcome to join us in a great Bible study year beginning with Mary Magdalene. Given the attitude toward women described in the N.T., Jesus' choice of women disciples is perhaps surprising. In September we are introduced to Mary Magdalene who faced the challenges of being one of Jesus' disciples, but who also suffered with severe mental illness. Scripture to read: John 20:11-18 and John 11:17-27. Join us in '25-'26 as we explore N.T. individuals who faced conflict and anguish like today's challenges to us.

GROW

GROWTH GROUPS: Registration is now open for our fall Growth Groups. See the bulletin insert or the home page of the website for more information. You can sign up by clicking the link on the website, scanning the QR code, filling out the insert and placing it in the offering plate, or through Realm.

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!

PASTOR'S BIBLE STUDY: The Pastor's Bible Study will resume on Thursday, September 25th at 10:30 a.m. in the Barbour Room. PLEASE NOTE!!!: This is a change of day from what was previously announced. We will be meeting on Thursdays, not Tuesdays.

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

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FISH MINISTRY: We are no longer asking for specific household and personal items to be purchased and delivered to the church. However, we do need specific funding to continue this long-time mission of the church. To positively impact food insecurity in Knox County, please consider giving directly to our church's Fish designated fund, from which all food, personal, and household item purchases are paid. Recurring donations would be most helpful.

WEST VIEW COUPON BOOKS are now on sale! The cost is $20 per book, of which West View Elementary receives 75%! You can also donate to West View directly. You can purchase your coupon book before church in the Atrium or after church at Fellowship Time. If you have any questions or would like to place an order, contact Sandra Butler at SandyB446@comcast.net or (865) 659-4416.

THIS WEEK IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Sunday, September 7th
- 9:15 a.m. Choir Practice (Sanctuary)
- 9:30 a.m. Faith, Science & The Future Class (Barbour Room)
- 10:30 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)

Monday, September 8th
- 12:00 p.m. Preschool Board Meeting (Zoom)
- 6:00 p.m. Growth Groups Training Session (Mary Chambers)

Tuesday, September 9th
- 10:00 a.m. Presbyterian Women (Fellowship Hall)
- 6:00 p.m. Worship Team Meeting (Barbour Room)
- 7:00 p.m. Dr. Ryan Fogg Recital (Sanctuary)

Wednesday, September 10th
- 11:00 a.m. PET Meeting (Small Conference Room)

Sunday, September 14th
- 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

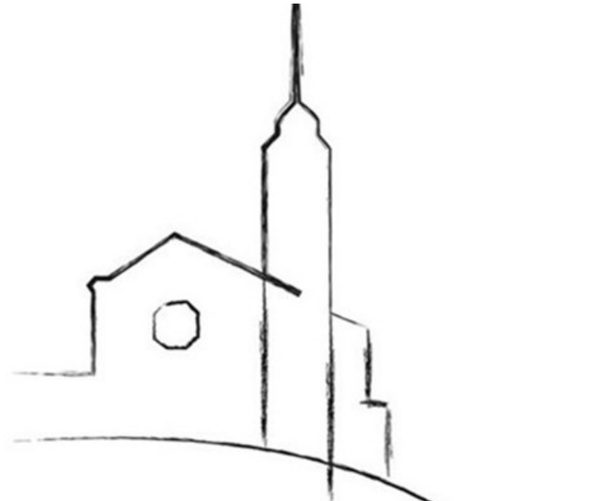
Barbara Fields, family of Ed May, family of Joan Riedl, Mancil Milligan, Jim Robertson, Mark Jenkins, Fran McLean, Bill Roach, Jr., Donna Downen, and Arlys Milligan

*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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