32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 8th, 2026 **10:30 a.m.**

PRELUDE ***The Church's One Foundation*** *Samuel S. Wesley*

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

INTROIT

✞CALL TO WORSHIP *from* Psalm 78

One: May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
All: And also with you.
One: Give ear, O my people, and listen to the words of my mouth.
All: We will tell the coming generations of the Lord's glorious deeds and the wonders God has done.
One: Let us set our hope in God and not forget the works of the Lord.
All: As we wait, we will tell the story and keep the commandments.
One: We come together to worship the living God.
All: Let us worship God!

✞HYMN OF PRAISE ***Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!*** **#305 v. 1-3**

✞PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of grace, we confess that we have failed to glorify you with our lives. We have not loved one another well. We sleep when you ask us to be awake. We are impatient when things do not go the way we expect. We fail to share what you have provided. We have lost our hope. Forgive us, we pray. Help us to reflect the love of Christ in thought, word, and deed. Inspire us by your Spirit so that we will be prepared to welcome the Lord when he appears. May our lives here and now be a glimpse of your coming glory. Amen.

✞ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

One: Friends, hear these words, and listen to this good news: Jesus died and rose again, and will bring with him both those who have died and those who are alive.
All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

✞PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

✞RESPONSE ***Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!*** **#305 v. 4**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please sign the Registration Pad found at the end of the row and pass it along.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT FOR MISSION – Charles White

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 ***Give Me Oil in My Lamp*** SING HOSANNA

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 Jeremiah 17:5-8 p. 719 OT
This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM ***Break Forth Into Song*** *Allen Pote*

NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 25:1-13 p. 24 NT
This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED **Tim Reynolds**

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

OFFERING OUR LIVES TO GOD
Offertory ***Contemplation*** *Alfred V. Fedak*
✞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 ***Rejoice! Rejoice, Believers*** **#362**

✞BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

✞POSTLUDE ***Now, My Tongue, the Myst'ry Telling*** *Flor Peeters*

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

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

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

Ushers: Tracy Horton, Henry Naff, Kay and Terry Weaver
Technicians: Matthew Lowe (video); Paul Sexauer (audio)

WORSHIP

UPCOMING SERMON TEXTS AND TOPICS: We are following the Revised Common Lectionary, a three-year cycle of readings used all over the world that provide a structured way to engage with Scripture throughout the liturgical year. We are currently in Year A, which focuses on the Gospel of Matthew.

Nov 8	Matthew 25:1-13	The Ten Bridesmaids
Nov 15	1 Thess. 5:1-11	The Day of the Lord
Nov 22	Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24	God the Shepherd
Nov 29	Luke 3:1-11	*Ghosts of Christmas:* Marley & the Sins of Scrooge

THE FLOWERS THIS WEEK are given to the glory of God and in memory of Raleigh Johnson, U.S. Army: WWII, BSM, by Bill Johnson.

ADVENT WREATH: If your family, Growth Group, ministry team, or friend group would like to lead the devotion and light the candle on the Advent Wreath during worship this year, please contact Pastor Tim or Kathryn Paden. All Sundays in December have been taken. We still need someone for November 29th.

HANDBELLS REHEARSE this afternoon at 1:00 p.m. in the Choir Room. New ringers welcome!

HELP US DECK THE HALLS! Got plans after Friendsgiving? We could use some extra hands to help us prepare our building for the Advent season! We will be decorating on Sunday, November 22 around 1:30 p.m., and the more hands on deck, the quicker it will be complete! We invite ladder climbers, tree fluffers, wreath hangers, box unloaders, and everyone in between. Thanks in advance for your assistance!

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

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. Our NEXT Food & Friends is TODAY. The hosts are Jimmy and Ileen Cheek. If you are interested in being a host, let Pastor Tim know.

FRIENDSGIVING 2026 returns! We will gather Sunday, November 22nd immediately after worship for this longtime tradition here at Second Pres, and we hope you and your family will be part of it! Turkey, gravy, and dressing will be provided by the church - please bring a side dish or dessert to share (large enough to feed your family plus a few more!) We are looking forward to seeing you on the 22nd for a celebration of our friendship, many blessings, and great food!

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!

A SPIRITUAL GIFTS CLASS focusing on studying the book, *Rediscovering Our Spiritual Gifts* takes place on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. in the library. The class will conclude before Thanksgiving. Contact: Liz Peebles, enp3613@gmail.com.

PASTOR'S BIBLE STUDY meets on Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. Our current book, *Jews & Christians: A Troubled Family,* is a dialogue between a rabbi and a Christian scholar which challenges Jews and Christians to examine their misconceptions and prejudices about each other's faith. Book are available in the church office.

GO

WEST VIEW HOLIDAY HELP: West View is looking for folks to sponsor some of their families during the Christmas season. If you would be interested in sponsoring a family, either individually or with a group, please let Pastor Sarah know by this Friday, November 13.

SUPPORT

STEWARDSHIP OF TIME, TALENTS & TREASURE: Our Stewardship season has begun. You should have already received a mailing with more information. Also, be on the lookout for uplifting video clips from our church family in future Friday emails on what 2nd Pres means to them! Stewardship Sunday is November 22nd.

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, November 8th

9:15 a.m.	Choir Practice (Sanctuary)
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School Classes (various locations)
10:30 a.m.	Worship (Sanctuary)
11:30 a.m.	Fellowship Time (outside, *weather permitting*)
	Food and Friends (offsite)
1:00 p.m.	Handbells (Choir Rm.)

Monday, November 9th

12:00 p.m.	Preschool Board Meeting (Zoom)
1:30 p.m.	Mixed Growth Group (Library)
3:00 p.m.	Budget and Finance Team Meeting (Zoom)
5:30 p.m.	Women's Growth Group (Library)

Tuesday, November 10th

5:00 p.m.	Grow Team Meeting (Break Rm.)
6:00 p.m.	Worship Team Meeting (Barbour Rm.)
8:45 p.m.	UKirk Basketball (Gym)

Wednesday, November 11th

6:00 p.m.	Vision Task Force Meeting (Barbour Rm.)

Thursday, November 12th

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

Sunday, November 15th

9:15 a.m.	Choir Practice (Sanctuary)
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School Classes (various locations)
10:30 a.m.	Worship (Sanctuary)
11:30 a.m.	Fellowship Time (outside, *weather permitting*)
1:00 p.m.	Handbells (Choir Rm.)

PRAYER CONCERNS

Helen Grant, 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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