

Second Presbyterian Church

July 20, 2025

10:00 am – Sanctuary

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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Welcome! Your presence in the worshiping community is a gift! Please be sure to let us know you're here by using your phone's camera to scan the QR code. If you have the Connect app, you may also check in using Realm.

Large print bulletins are available at each entrance.
Hearing devices are available on the table at the back of the sanctuary.

Nursery is available for children through age 5.

At the sign * you may rise in body or spirit.

Bold text is read or sung in unison.

*Please be aware that you may be visible on the livestream camera
at any time during worship.*

We Gather at God's Call

For Silent Meditation

Almighty God, you brought creation into being through Jesus Christ, and in Christ all things find their purpose. Open our eyes to see the world as your gift, and to use your gifts for the sake of Christ. Amen.

Sounding of the Chimes

Pouring of the Water

Hudson and Lydia White

Welcome and Announcements

John P. Leggett

Prelude

Come, O Thou Traveler Unknown

arr. Larry Shackley

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Nancy Brown and Martha Anderson, piano duet

*Call to Worship

Linda Levstik, Worship Leader

God invites us to gather today.

We have come in response to God's invitation.

This is the time when we see friends, old and new.

This is the time when we remember that God makes us family.

This is the time when we give thanks for all that is good.

This is the time to worship God.

*Hymn 12 (Vss. 1, 3-4)

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

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Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God,

you always surprise us with your grace.

Today we confess that all is not right.

We are not right with you or with each other.

Anger and fear and disappointment rest uneasily in our hearts.

It is hard to trust,

and it is even harder to forgive.

Help us to turn to you to find the strength we need.

Help us to look to the example of Jesus to see how to love.

Help us to gaze deep within ourselves for our own fault.

But do not let us linger there.

Wash over us with your forgiveness.

Give us strength to forgive each other,

and to forgive ourselves.

Silence for personal reflection and confession.

Through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Friends, this is the Good News:

In Christ, God brought us back to our true home, to hope, to love, and to life.

Because we are forgiven, we may be at peace.

Thanks be to God.

A Litany of Blessing and Thanksgiving for Parish Nurse Jackie Graves

Children at the Chancel

Jenna Coy

Chil - dren wel - come in the name of Je - sus. Chil - dren wel - come
in the name of love. All are wel - come in the name of
Je - sus. All are wel - come in the name of love.

The musical score is written on three staves in 3/4 time. The melody is simple and repetitive, with lyrics written below the notes. The lyrics are: 'Chil - dren wel - come in the name of Je - sus. Chil - dren wel - come in the name of love. All are wel - come in the name of Je - sus. All are wel - come in the name of love.'

Words and Music by David L. Edwards ©2001

Children Are Invited to W.O.W. (Worship Our Way)

Children can be picked up on the 3rd floor outside Rooms 300 and 301.

*We will complete our worship by 11:00 am. Please wait in the hallway,
and we will dismiss children by family at 11:00 am.*

We Listen for the Word of God

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading

Luke 10:38-42

Sermon

Just One Thing

John P. Leggett

*An Affirmation of Faith (unison)

**The people of God have often misused God's promises
as excuses for doing nothing about present evils.**

**But in Christ the new world has already broken in
and the old can no longer be tolerated.**

We know our efforts cannot bring in God's kingdom.

**But hope plunges us into the struggle
for victories over evil that are possible now
in the world, the church, and our individual lives.**

**Hope gives us courage and energy
to contend against all opposition,
however invincible it may seem,
for the new world and the new humanity
that are surely coming.
Jesus is Lord!
He has been Lord from the beginning.
He will be Lord at the end.
Even now he is Lord.**

(From *A Declaration of Faith*)

*Hymn 722 (Vss. 1, 4-5) *Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak*

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We Respond to God with Thanksgiving

Concerns and Celebrations

Prayers of the People

Invitation to the Offering



Linda Levstik

Musical Offering

Peace Like a River, Kum Bah Yah

arr. Jean Anne Shafferman

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Liam Schippers, tenor and Jimmy Simmons, baritone

*Someone's praying, Lord, kum bah yah. O Lord, kum bah yah.
I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river in my soul.
Someone's singing, Lord, kum bah yah.
I've got love like an ocean, I've got love like an ocean in my soul.*

*Doxology (A Song of Praise)

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below.
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

God Feeds Us at the Table

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer (unison)

**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.**

Breaking of the Bread and Pouring of the Cup

Communion of the People

*We will come forward to receive the bread and the cup.
Please move toward the center aisle, where two lines will move toward the servers.
Take a piece of bread and eat; then move to the outside
to take and drink the cup from the tray.
Place your used cups in the white bowl on your way back
and move back to your seat by the outside aisle.
Please raise your hand to signal you wish to be served in your seat
when the presider asks, “**Have all been fed?**”*

God Sends Us to the World

*Prayer after Communion

*Hymn 547 (Vss. 1, 3) *Go, My Children, with My Blessing* AR HYDY NOS

*Charge and Blessing John P. Leggett

*Postlude *Rondeau* Jean Joseph Mouret
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Today’s flowers are given in in honor of the **62nd Wedding Anniversary of Judy and Bob Hilton.**

Would you like to provide flowers for the chancel that beautify our worship on Sunday morning? If so, you are welcome to give flowers in memory and/or honor of loved ones, or in celebration of a milestone. **To reserve a Sunday, please scan the QR code on top of page 7** or contact Shawn Phelps (shawnp@2preslex.org or 859-254-7768) in the church office.

This Week at Second

Sunday, July 20

- 10:00 am Worship
- 11:05 am Lemonade in the Courtyard

Monday, July 21

- 9:00 am Preschool Camp
- 9:30 am Coffee and Conversation

Tuesday, July 22

- 9:00 am Preschool Camp
- 10:00 am Staff Meeting

Wednesday, July 23

- 9:00 am Preschool Camp
- 6:30 am Men's Book Group (Zoom)

Thursday, July 24

- 9:00 am Preschool Camp

Friday, July 25

- 9:00 am Preschool Camp

Saturday, July 26

- 9:00 am Women's Book Discussion
 (Gathering Place)

Sunday, July 27

- 10:00 am Worship
- 11:05 am Lemonade in the Courtyard

Upcoming Events:

August 10: Blessing of the Backpacks (in worship)

August 17: Youth Fellowship Kickoff

September 7: Return to Regular Sunday Schedule

Children & Youth Announcements

Jenna Coy: jennac@2preslex.org

Join us for Second Presbyterian Church's Youth Fellowship Kick-Off at Urban Village (201 S 1st St, Nicholasville, KY 40356) on **August 17, from 2-4pm**. We will play fun nerf games and group games, and then we will end our time with treats and vote on our Youth theme for the year! You can meet us there, or *if you need a ride, meet at the church at 1:30 to ride the bus*. Youth who ride the bus will return to the church around 4:30. Please RSVP through the QR code at the top of page 7 to let us know you are coming and comment if you will be riding the bus. Can't wait to see you there!

We are looking to add **Sunday School teachers** to our amazing team for the 2025-2026 year. **Do you feel called to serve as part of our Sunday School team to work with our children and youth?** If so, email Jenna Coy for additional information.

Other Announcements

*Sign-ups for all events can be found by scanning the QR code.
Additional information is available on our website.*



Lemonade in the Courtyard will take place today following worship. This is a wonderful way to get to know others in our church family! ***We will also celebrate Jackie Graves on her 25 years as our Parish Nurse!***

Would you like to serve as a worship leader for an upcoming Sunday service?

Worship is the work of the whole church, and we hope you'll share your gifts to inspire our congregation to a deeper praise. We will send you the readings, instructions, and any special information before your selected Sunday. *Scan the QR code on the top of this page and select Worship Leader to see the Sundays we have open.*

Coffee & Conversation: Join Pastor John and others from the congregation each Monday morning from 9:30-10:30 am. Come share the gift of fellowship!

The Mission Committee invites you to participate in donating **Back to School supplies for the children at Westminster Village.** A table has been set up in the Gathering Place with information on items needed. **Donations are preferred by August 1st,** but will be appreciated any time that is convenient for you.

Important Reminder: Please be cautious should you receive a suspicious email or text claiming to be from Pastor John or another member of the church staff. We will never contact you with personal requests or urgent needs via those methods. When in doubt, please call the church office to verify.

Habitat for Humanity House Build: If you'd like to help, please scan the QR code above and choose FAITH BUILD when you register to volunteer.

Women's Saturday Discussion Group meets each Saturday at 9:00 a.m. in the Forum Room. Contact Amy Palmer (859-825-8703) for details.

Men's Book Group meets each Wednesday (6:30-7:30 a.m.) by Zoom. Contact Shawn Caudill (timothy.caudill@uky.edu or 859-608-6662) for Zoom instructions and details.

Thank you for joining us for worship today. We invite you to take your bulletin home with you as a helpful resource concerning the life of the church. *If you choose not to, please recycle it as you exit the sanctuary.*

Prayer Concerns

In Our Church Family

David Porter

Bill McAtee

Carol Karutz

Jorene Terry

Gary Power (Veronica Taylor's father)

Global Concerns

You may keep up with the most recent and ongoing responses of Presbyterian Disaster Assistance from the link on our church website, or by going directly to the denomination's website at www.pcusa.org. *They will definitely be providing response to the areas suffering from the recent flooding in Texas. Your gifts support good and important work.*

For updates on the current status of denominational mission partnerships during its season of transition, please visit www.pcusa.org.

Church Staff

Gary L. Anderson, Director of Music and Covenant Choir

Martha Anderson, Organist

Jenna Coy, Director of Children and Youth

Jackie Graves, Parish Nurse

Scarlet Hall, Director of Finance and Operations

Jerry Huddleston, Security

John P. Leggett, Pastor

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