

February 19, 2017



# SECOND

## PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**Seeking, Sharing, Serving**



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**The Rev. Evan R. Smith**

***Pastor***

**February 19, 2017**

**SERVICE OF WORSHIP**

10:30 AM

*Welcome to the house of the Lord! May God's grace and peace fill you.*

**PRELUDE**

**STRIKING THE HOUR**

**GREETING**

**CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION**

Announcements

Prayer Concerns

**OPENING MUSIC**

“Great and Mighty”

Chancel Choir

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Psalm 119

L: Happy are those whose way is blameless, who walk in the law of the Lord.

**P: Happy are those who keep the decrees of the Lord and walk in God's ways.**

L: O, that my ways may be steadfast in keeping your statutes!

**P: Then I shall not be put to shame, having my eyes fixed on all your commandments.**

L: Let us worship God!

**\*HYMN**

“Open My Eyes That I May See”

CH 563

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Merciful God, we confess we have been quick to judge others in anger, but slow to judge ourselves by the same standards; we have received forgiveness, but denied it to others; we have broken your commandments, if not by outright disobedience, then by failing to keep them in our hearts; and we have allowed the flesh to resist and rebel against your Spirit. Forgive our sins, O Lord, and bless us with the freedom that is ours when we do the work of forgiveness well. Refresh us with the joy of your Spirit that we might be led and inspired by the breezes that flow from your gracious presence, in the name of Christ we pray. Amen.**

**\*SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION**

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

L: Friends, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with God is great power to redeem. It is God who will redeem us from all our sins.

**P: Thanks be to God! Amen**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

“Hear Our Prayer, O Lord”

“Hear our prayer, O Lord, Hear our prayer, O Lord;  
Incline Thine ear to us And grant us Thy peace. Amen.”

**\*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.*

**OFFERING**

Offertory

\*Doxology:

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow.*

*Praise Him, all creatures here below.*

*Praise Him above, ye heavenly host.*

*Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

\*Prayer of Dedication

**ANTHEM**

“His Eye Is On the Sparrow”

Chancel Choir

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*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.*

**SCRIPTURE READING:**

Deuteronomy 30:11, 14-20; Galatians 5:1, 13-14

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**SERMON**

“God’s Promise of Freedom”

Rev. Smith

**\*HYMN**

“Thy Word”

CH 184

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**\* CLOSING**

“Blest Be the Tie That Binds”

CH 426

w/congregation

## **PRAYERS THIS WEEK**

### **Health Concerns**

David Clark - UVA - Car accident

Lillian White - Fell/Broken Hip (Linda Lickliter's Mom)

Travis Shiflett - Colon problems (Pat Shiflett's 35-year-old grandson)

Heather Snyder Kimble - challenged with the affects of lyme disease

Jean Flower - Rebah - AMC

Tim Clemmer - Rehab - AMC

Lois Sensabaugh - moved to Legacy

Shawn Sweeney - at home - will return to hospital for more treatment as needed.

Mike Alford - (brother-in-law of Heather & Joe Kimble) Brain tumor

Elwood Whitmore (Maria Smith's father) - tests for blood issues

Camden Minnick - traveling to Duke University for consultation

Linda Armstrong

Leatrice Gibson

Michael Brown

### **Members in Care Facilities**

Doris Miller (Shenandoah Nursing Home)

Jane Roby (Ritenour)

### **Birthdays**

Debbie Sedr (21)

Kathy Holsinger (25)

Jaidon Snyder (25)

Andy Easley (26)

### **Anniversaries (None)**

### **In the Military**

Scott Dice - (Son of Melissa and Harry Dice) PO Box 6099 Fort Hood TX 76544

Nick Dubyk - Army Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania (grandson of Betty & [the late] Willis Clemmer)

Christopher Todd - USAF (grandson of Ralph Weller and (the late) Ruth Weller)

### **Other Church Concerns**

*Prayers and Christian sympathy to John Peterson and family on the death of his father on Thursday, February 16th. John is the Pastor at Covenant Presbyterian Church.*

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### **Quick Reminder!**

Please call the Church Office (885-8159) if you or someone in your family goes into the hospital. This is the only sure way that we will know of your situation, so visits and other support can be given.

## THIS WEEK AT SECOND CHURCH

### Sunday, February 19

9:30 AM Sunday Bible Study - Lucille Sanger Classroom  
10:00 AM Chancel Choir- Choir Room  
10:30 AM Worship

**Greeters & Ushers:** Jerry Fry (Head Usher), Woodie Wimer,  
Carolyn Brown and Larry Brown

**Flower Coordinator:** Sue Gochenour

### Tuesday, February 21

11:15 AM Bible Study - Fellowship Hall

### Wednesday, February 22

6:00 PM Membership & Outreach Committee - Parlor  
7:00 PM Session - Fellowship Hall

### Thursday, February 23

5:45 PM JuBELLation Handbell Choir  
6:45 PM Chancel Choir - Chancel Choir Room

### Saturday, February 25

9:30 AM - 4:00 PM Session Retreat - Staunton Public Library

### Sunday, February 26

9:30 AM Sunday Bible Study - Lucille Sanger Classroom  
10:00 AM Chancel Choir- Choir Room  
10:30 AM Worship  
11:30 AM Mission Committee - Parlor

**Greeters & Ushers:** Chuck Blackley (Head Usher), Maxine  
Robertson, Woodie Wimer and Pat Blackley

**Flower Coordinator:** Sue Gochenour

### Monday, February 27

10:00 AM Martha's Meals on Wheels - Parlor

**Attendance & Offering**

**Attendance last Sunday** 72

**Offering last Sunday** \$ 2,930.00

As an aid to people who have trouble reading the regular sized type on the Sunday worship bulletin, a large print version is available. Simply request one from any usher.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

The March sign-up sheet for Ushers is on the back table.  
Thanks for your help.



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## BLANKET FUND

During February, Presbyterian Women will be collecting donations for the Blanket Fund. **Please make your checks payable to Presbyterian Women/Blanket Fund.** There are extra envelopes on the back tables in the Sanctuary. A heart will be placed on the blanket at the front of the sanctuary to recognize each gift received. Please help us cover the blanket with love.

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The Mission Committee is sponsoring a Purse/Jewelry/Accessory Indoor Yard Sale on **Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 AM till noon.** Anyone who has gently used purses and/or jewelry, scarves, wallets, etc. please bring them to donate. You may give them to Sue Gochenour or put them in Room 20 (the room next to Kay Mader's office on the second floor). Thank you for your generosity.

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The Membership & Outreach Committee will meet on Wednesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6 PM in the Parlor. If you would like to be a part of this Outreach Committee, please join us.

Linda Licklitter, Chair  
Woodie Wimer, Co-Chair

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## Thank You!

I would like to thank everyone for their prayers and get well cards. A recent CT scan has shown considerable improvement.

Frank Brown



## **ASH WEDNESDAY OBSERVANCE**

A Church night covered dish supper will be held on **Wednesday, March 1<sup>st</sup>, 6:00 PM in Fellowship Hall**. Please bring a food item to share with all. Beverages and table service will be provided by the CE/Worship Committee. As this Church night is also Ash Wednesday, a worship service will follow, with Scripture readings and the “Imposition of Ashes”.

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### ***NEW MEMBERS/INQUIRERS’ CLASS***

Are you interested in learning more about Second Church or becoming a member of our fellowship? Beginning on Sunday, March 5<sup>th</sup>, Pastor Evan will be leading a **New Members/Inquirers’ Class** at **9:15 AM. in the church’s chapel** (located on the second floor next to the Pastor’s study). The class will meet every week for six weeks, through Palm Sunday, April 9<sup>th</sup>. Following completion of these classes, those who have discerned that they are being led to become a member of Second Church will be able to do so on the following Sunday, April 16<sup>th</sup>, on Easter.

As a reminder for those interested, this class is not a commitment to becoming a member but is provided as a pathway to learn more about Second Church and about membership in the church; however, should you discern the Spirit leading you to join at a later point, you would be able.

# THE SESSION

## Class of 2017

Andy Easley  
Sue Gochenour  
Linda Licklitter  
Pam Snyder

## Class of 2018

Jo Fields  
Darlene Mason  
Mary Rainey  
Matthew Ramsey

## Class of 2019

Bob Ridle  
Dick Robinson  
Nancy Swisher  
Woodie Wimer

Evan R. Smith, Moderator

Nancy Swisher, Clerk

## TRUSTEES

## Class of 2017

Paul Wolfe

## Class of 2018

Ralph Weller

## Class of 2019

Dick Hippeard

## PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Moderator ..... Mary Rainey  
Vice-Moderator ..... Beth Ramsey  
Secretary ..... Talitha Hippeard  
Treasurer ..... Sue Gochenour  
Historian ..... Kay Mader

## SESSION COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Christian Education/Worship ..... Mary Rainey  
Membership, Outreach, & Community Service ..... Linda Licklitter  
Mission ..... Sue Gochenour  
Stewardship and Finance ..... Darlene Mason  
Property ..... Andy Easley  
Personnel ..... Pam Snyder

## CHURCH STAFF

Pastor ..... Rev. Evan R. Smith  
Administrative Assistant ..... Kay Mader  
Church Secretary ..... Kay Waitier  
Choir Director ..... Pam Snyder  
Organist ..... Allen Archer