



A Service of Worship for the Lord's Day

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 25, 2022

11:00 a.m.



Thank you for worshiping with us! We encourage both guests and members to scan the QR code and complete our online Friendship Pad. You will also have the option to make an online contribution or share a prayer request.

God Calls Us to Worship

**Please rise in body or in spirit.*

Chimes

Pouring of the Water

Jen Brown-Murphy

Welcome and Announcements

Jen Brown-Murphy

Moment for Mission *Peace and Global Witness (Peacemaking)*

Jack & Angene Wilson

Prelude

Spirit of Gentleness

Roberta Rowland-Raybold
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*Call to Worship (*responsively*)

Jen Brown-Murphy

God of the past, who has created and nurtured us,
we are here to thank you.

God of the future, who is always ahead of us,
we are here to thank you.

God of the present, who is here in the midst of us,
we are here to thank you.

God of life, who is beyond us and within us,
we rejoice in your glorious love.

*Hymn 366

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

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Confirmation Class & Mentors Blessing

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

Jen Brown-Murphy

Children preschool through elementary school are invited to W.O.W.

In-person children can be picked up on the 3rd floor Children's Sunday School wing outside Rooms 300 and 301. We will complete our worship by 12:00 p.m.

Wait in the hallway and we will dismiss children by family once we have completed our worship.

Call to Confession

Jackie Graves

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Jackie Graves

**Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.**

We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength.

We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

**In your mercy forgive what we have been,
help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be,
so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

Promise of Forgiveness (*responsively*)

Jackie Graves

Let us proclaim together the good news of the gospel:

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and made new. Thanks be to God. Amen.

God Speaks to Us from the Word

Prayer for Illumination

Pastor John P. Leggett

Scripture Reading

1 Timothy 6:6-19

Sermon

The Life That Really Is Life

Pastor John P. Leggett

*An Affirmation of Faith (*unison*)

Christ calls us to live in the presence of God.

Jesus lived with a constant sense of his Father's presence.

He put God's claim on his life above all else.

He joined others in God's worship and praise.

He drew strength from the Scriptures.

He prayed and taught his disciples to pray.

We believe Christ gives us and demands of us

personal lives centered in God

and open to God's reality and rule.

Christ teaches us

to put obedience to God

above the interests of self, family, race, or nation;

to offer God joyously our money, ability, and time.

It is part of our discipline

to observe a day of worship and rest,

setting aside our own working to enjoy God's work,

celebrating with sisters and brothers the Lord's goodness.

(From A Declaration of Faith)

We Respond to God

Anthem *Fight the Good Fight With All Thy Might* John Gardner
Covenant Choir © 1964 Oxford University Press

*Fight the good fight with all thy might, Christ is thy strength, and Christ thy right;
Lay hold on life, and it shall be thy joy and crown eternally.
Run the straight race through God's good grace, lift up thine eyes and seek his face;
Life with its way before us lies, Christ is the path, and Christ the prize.
Cast care aside, lean on thy guide: his boundless mercy will provide;
Trust, and thy trusting soul shall prove Christ is its life, and Christ its love.*

Concerns and Celebrations Pastor David Holden

Prayers of the People Pastor David Holden

Invitation to the Offering Pastor David Holden

Offertory Hymn 717 *For the Life That You Have Given* PLEADING SAVIOR
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*Prayer of Thanksgiving Pastor John P. Leggett

*The Lord's Prayer (*unison*) Pastor John P. Leggett

**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.**

*Hymn 39 *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* FAITHFULNESS

God Send Us to the World

*Charge and Blessing Pastor John P. Leggett

*Postlude *Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending* arr. Stephen Burtonwood
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Announcements

Welcome to all who are worshiping with us, both in-person and on livestream! While masking in public is safest, wearing a mask in the church will be left to each individual.

The Greater Lexington CROP (Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty) **Hunger Walk** will be held **Sunday, October 2nd from 3:00-5:00 p.m.** Stop by the WALK station in the Gathering Place **today between services** for more information and sign-up to volunteer. Second Presbyterian Team is available now to register to WALK and/or receive your donation by visiting crophungerwalk.org/lexingtonky.

Alight! All **4th-5th graders** are welcome to come **today at 4:00-5:00 p.m.**, for fun and fellowship!

Youth Fellowship will be held **today from 5:00-7:00 p.m.** All youth **9th - 12th grade** are invited to join us and bring a friend!

Men's Breakfast meets each **Wednesday (6:30-7:30 a.m.)** by zoom. Contact Shawn Caudill (timothy.caudill@uky.edu or 859-219-1249) for zoom instructions and details on the book they are discussing.

This fall kicks off with ***Great Themes of the Bible***, a study held via zoom on **Wednesdays from 7:00-8:00 p.m.** Brief readings lay the groundwork for a lively conversation that speaks of faith in the words of our tradition, but also the stories of our lives. If we view the Bible as one whole document, what is it saying? What are the big messages by which interior messages are to be interpreted? Contact David Holden (davidh@2preslex.org) for details and zoom instructions.

Women's Saturday discussion group meet **each Saturday at 9:00 a.m.**, at Second Church. Contact Amy Palmer (859-825-8703) for details.

Your gifts and donations in response to God are instrumental in sustaining our ability to move forward with all the ministries of Second. You may make your gifts through the secure link on the church website or by mailing your check to Second Presbyterian Church, 460 East Main Street, Lexington, KY 40507, or for those worshiping with us in person, **place in the offering plates located on the tables at the entrances as you exit or by scanning the QR code.**

Celebration

Today we bless this year's confirmands and their mentors during the service:

Confirmands: Lachley Bensing, Kate Boardman, Ann Reid Chapman, Field Costitch, Caroline Costitch, Kate DeHoag, Charlie Leachman, Aaron Leggett, Katherine Monohan, Clay Monohan, Joe Swayze, Luke Wrede

Mentors: Amber Dietz, Stephanie Gilbert, Tom Kennelly, Susan Leemhuis, Judy Maxon, Ricardo O'Campo, Nancy Stallard, Harvie Wilkinson, Jordan Yeiser, Stephanie Gilbert