

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SYMPATHY

Sympathy is extended to Scott and Sonja Crawford on the death of Scott's mother, **Courtney Partlow Crawford**, on Wednesday, June 12, 2024. Our prayers are also with their children, Sophie and Xander.

MORNING VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL | "STORIES JESUS TOLD" | JULY 22-25



(MON-TH): Members and friends (Pre-k – 5th grade) are invited to join us for Morning VBS July 22-25, as we explore the parables of Jesus. Throughout the Gospels, we see Jesus sharing parables with his disciples, stories that were meant to share something important about God and something important about us. We get a glimpse into God's Kingdom and learn that we are called to live into that Kingdom here and now. This summer at VBS, we will explore several of the beloved parables of Jesus, and discover how these stories Jesus told long ago help us to be better disciples today. Youth and adult volunteers are a great part of what

makes VBS so special. Please consider volunteering and joining the fun! Registration for Morning VBS participants AND volunteers can be found at www.spres.org & by scanning the QR code with your smartphone camera.

OPEN FLOWER DATE: The following date is available for anyone who would like to sponsor flowers in the sanctuary: July 21. Please contact Denise Revercomb to see if the date is still open (588-5111; revercomb@cox.net).

"PARTNERS IN PROSPERITY" HABITAT HOME DEDICATION JULY 27: A dedication service for the Mussa family Habitat Home is being planned for 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, July 27 at the home site (548 McDowell Avenue NW, Roanoke 24016). We invite you to join us for this celebratory occasion!

PRESBYTERIAN HIGHLIGHTS OF SCOTLAND TOUR, MAY 2025: Join Elizabeth Link and members and friends of Second Presbyterian Church on a 10-day historical tour of Scotland with Reformation Tours. The confirmed dates of the tour are May 2-11, 2025 (an optional 4-day extension of the trip into York and London (May 11-14) may also be selected). Details on the trip itinerary and pricing may be found on the tour website at <https://reformationtours.com/package/rem25/>.



KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS: Second Presbyterian Church is pleased to be a part of the Kroger Community Rewards program, which aims to provide hope and help to local communities, schools, churches, and other nonprofit organizations. By participating in this program, you can earn money for our church each time you swipe your Plus card. Rewards Statement Feb. 26, 2024 – May 27, 2024: **75 Households / \$527.49 Total Donations.** If you would like to make Second Presbyterian Church the organization to which you link your Kroger account, follow the steps at <https://www.spres.org/give/kroger-community-rewards-program>. Thank you for participating!

THE WEEK AHEAD

Today, June 23

10:00 am: Worship Service, Sanctuary/Live Stream
5:30 pm: Welcome Families to the Alexa House

Monday, June 24

6:30 pm: Al Anon & Alateen, Trent Classroom, Reading Room, Library
6:30 pm: Cub Scouts, Cafe

Tuesday, June 25

9:30 am: Staff Meeting

Wednesday, June 26

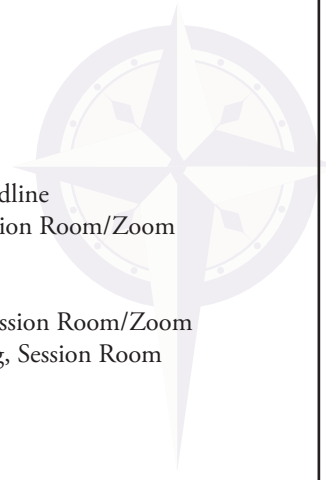
12:00 pm: Bulletin Article Deadline
5:15 pm: Session Meeting, Session Room/Zoom

Thursday, June 27

7:15 am: Men's Bible Study, Session Room/Zoom
12:15 pm: PCC Board Meeting, Session Room

Friday, June 28

Saturday, June 29



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Sunday Morning Worship
June 23, 2024



PASTORAL STAFF

Dr. George C. Anderson, Senior Pastor
The Rev. Elizabeth N.H. Link, Executive Pastor
The Rev. Benjamin S. Brannan, Associate Pastor for Youth and Young Adults

Large-print copies of services may be requested from an usher.

MEMBERS OF THE SESSION OF SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Elders - Class of 2024

Maria Blackshaw
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JUNE 23, 2024
WORSHIP ON SITE & ONLINE AT 10:00 A.M.
FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST¹

Gathering Music *For the Beauty of the Earth* Alec Wyton

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude *Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun* Robert J. Powell

*Call to Worship

The God who first heard the morning stars sing
never forgets the cry of the afflicted.

You, O God, have not forsaken those who seek you.

The God who set the limits of the seas
remains a stronghold for the oppressed.

You, O God, have not forsaken those who seek you.

Come, let us thank God for steadfast love,
for all God's mighty works.

*Hymn No. 624 *I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art*

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession²

O Lord, you are our shepherd, and yet we want. We lie down when we could act, we stir the pot when we could offer peace, we wander tempting paths instead of following you. We see courage and comfort in earthly things rather than in you. We hate our enemies and refuse to break bread with them. We see scarcity even when you offer us abundance. We pray for forgiveness, for your goodness and mercy.

In the silence of our hearts, we remember that your grace is already ours.

Assurance of Pardon

*Response of Praise No. 581 *Gloria Patri*

*Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed *Glory to God*, p. 35

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

Concerns

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer *Glory to God*, p. 35 (using debts, debtors)

Sung Prayer for Illumination Hymn No. 458 *Thy Word Is a Lamp unto My Feet*

Refrain: Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

When I feel afraid, and I think I've lost my way,

still you're there right beside me.

Nothing will I fear as long as you are near.

Please be near me to the end. (*Refrain*)

Scripture Reading 1 Samuel 17:(1a, 4-11, 19-23), 32-49 Old Testament p. 232

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Sermon *Not Just a Children's Story*³ Rev. Elizabeth N.H. Link

A Moment for Reflection

Call to Discipleship

Offering^{4**}

Offertory *Just As I Am, Without One Plea* Dale Wood

Ritual of Friendship

*(Please sign the Friendship Pad, pass it along to others
in your pew, then return it to center.)*

*Doxology (Hymn No. 606)

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn No. 39 *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

*Charge and Benediction

Postlude *March* James Marsh

**Please stand in body or spirit.*



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BULLETIN NOTES

¹ **WHY ARE THE PARAMENTS GREEN IN THE SUMMER?:** Green represents growth and is used during Ordinary Time (the season after Epiphany and the season after Pentecost).

² **THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION** today was written by Beth Merrill Neel on her blog, "Hold Fast to What Is Good." It is used with permission.

³ **DAVID AND GOLIATH:** The story of David slaying Goliath, violent though it is, has been used for generations to open the imagination of children to the Lord's power. At the heart of the story is the dramatic moment when young David "in the name of the Lord of hosts" defeats gigantic, menacing Goliath. It is a momentous encounter, and many learn it engaging their imagination and wonder as children. At the same time, this story is anything but child's play, especially when reduced to morals and values. Rather, this dramatic moment in David's story and in the story of Israel's monarchy is an integral part of the story of the Lord's defeat of evil on the earth.

⁴ **THE OUTREACH OFFERING** for the month of June will benefit *Children's Summer Camps*. The school year has ended, and several of our children's support ministries have expressed concern at the higher cost of providing summer activities for the children they serve. In response, the Service and Outreach Committee decided to commit the June Outreach Offering to the support of children's summer programs. Consequently, the June Outreach offering will be split four ways to help key area ministries provide wholesome summer activities for children. The four organizations are Presbyterian Community Center (for summer Pathways), the Salvation Army (for summer camps), West End Center (for swimming passes and activities) and Kids Soar (for their summer life skills program). These funds will allow more children to enjoy these summer experiences. **As of June 13, \$1,700.50 has been collected.**

Monthly Food Collection for PCC: The food items for the month of June are **canned fruits, tuna, chicken, and salmon**. A donation bin is in the coat closet; please check the expiration date before donating.

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THIS SUNDAY

Flowers: The flowers are given to the glory of God in loving memory of **Andrew Hart Ramsey** by his parents, Bill and Carol Broadhurst, and his aunt, Karen Hart. He would have celebrated his 51st birthday June 19th.
Arranged by Emily McCahill.

Ushers: Barry Green (Head Usher), Ann Green, David Johnsen, Robyn Johnsen.

Greeters: Rick and Pam Murray.

Technicians: Andrea Boone, Miranda Moore