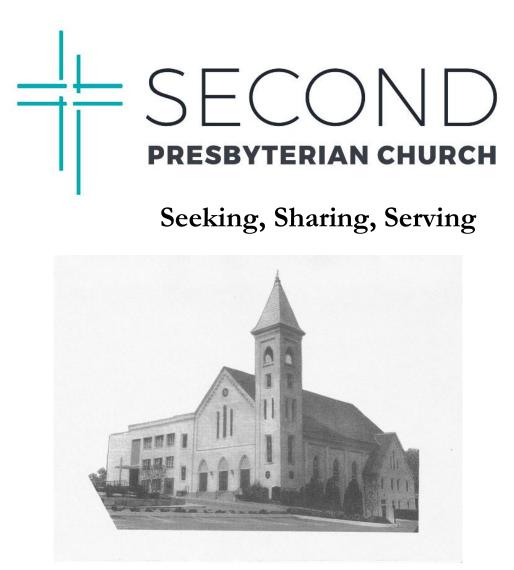
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> The Rev. Dr. Evan R. Smith *Pastor*

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

INTROIT The Family of God Chancel

Chancel Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP

- L: After this I looked and saw a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation and people and language and culture, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, and crying in a loud voice, saying,
- P: "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!"
- L: These are those who have come out of the great tribulation; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.
- P: They worship the Lord day and night, and the One who sits on the throne shelters them.
- L: They will hunger and thirst no more. Neither will the sun strike them. For the Lamb is the Lord and the Lord is their Shepherd!
- P: The Lord will guide us to springs of living water. God will wipe away every tear from our eyes.
- L: Let us worship God!

HYMN Happy Our Home When God Is There CH 453

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of the Resurrection, we cannot save ourselves by our good works, initiative, or cleverness. You alone have power to conquer sin and raise the dead. We confess we have doubted your willingness to heal us, forgotten how faithfully you have cleansed us in the past, and failed to develop the mighty gifts you have given us and charged us to use on behalf of others. Forgive us, O God, and renew our lives that we might stir others to seek new life in you. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

- L: Sing praises to the Lord, O you his faithful ones, and give thanks to his holy name.
- P: For his anger is but for a moment; his favor is for a lifetime. Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning.
- L: May the Lord turn your mourning into dancing and clothe you with joy, so that you may praise the Lord and not be silent.
- P: O Lord our God, we will give thanks to you forever! CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Sanctuary

CH 655

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy; tried and true; With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you

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 The Summons 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.

NT LESSON		Acts 9:36-43		
SERMON	C	An Astonishing Imitation The Rev. Dr. Evan R. Smith		
HYMN	He Leadeth Me	CH 690		
CHARGE ANI	D BENEDICTION			
CLOSING	The Family Prayer Song	Chancel Choir		
POSTLUDE				

PRAYERS

Prayer Concerns

Charlotte Dale Stewart Sherwood Dick Hippeard Nita Wimer Linda Queen D. W. Sensabaugh Martha Wilkerson Linda Lickliter Sue Gochenour

Shut-Ins

Charlotte Dale – Brightview Senior Living Tim Clemmer – The Legacy Jean Flower – The Legacy

Birthdays

- 8 Brenda Powell
- 10 Jackson Wyatt Rusmisel
- 14 Henry Tyree

Anniversaries

9 Kathy & Jim McKenna

Serving Our Country

Scott Dice – Son of Melissa and Harry Dice Nick Dubyk – Grandson of Betty and the late Willis Clemmer Christopher Todd – Grandson of Ralph and the late Ruth Weller Matthew Witcofsky – Son of Janet and Joe Witcofsky

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 WEEKATA GLANCE

Today May 8 10:30 AM Worship NO Chancel Choir practice following worship Greeters & Ushers: Debbie Sder and 3 more are needed Monday May 9 10 AM Faithful Followers Circle meet in the parlor **Tuesday May 10** 10 AM Friendship Circle meeting Thursday May 12 5:15 PM JuBELLation Handbell practice Next Sunday May 15 10:30 AM Worship Chancel Choir practice immediately following worship Greeters & Ushers: Rick & Dara Myrah and 2 more are Needed

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREETERS & USHERS

The sign-up sheet for greeters and ushers for the month of **May** is on the table in back of the sanctuary. Thanks so much for your help.

MASSANETTA SPRINGS

Serve on summer staff at Massanetta Springs: Massanetta Springs is hiring day camp counselors, lifeguards, and facilities and hospitality staff to serve its summer programs! Join us for this fun, meaningful work for a few weeks or the full ten week season from June-August. Full time paid positions include housing and meals, and may be able to fulfill college or internship credits. Contact <u>daycamp@massanettasprings.org</u> or visit MassanettaSprings.org/nettadaycamp to learn more!

THE SESSION

Class of 2022

Mark Robertson Nancy Swisher Paul Wolfe Class of 2023 Frank Brown Mary Rainey Debbie Sedr Jerry Siford Class of 2024 Amanda Harris Jim McKenna Rick Myrah Sherrill Robinson

Evan R. Smith, Moderator

Nancy Swisher, Clerk

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Class of 2022 Dick Hippeard **Class of 2023** Betty Clemmer

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Vice-Moderator	Pat Blackley
Secretary	Talitha Hippeard
Treasurer	

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Membership & Outreach	Debbie Sedr & Sherrill Robinson
Mission & Community Service	Frank Brown & Amanda Harris
Stewardship and Finance	Mark Robertson
Property	Paul Wolfe & Rick Myrah
Personnel	

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Pastor	The Rev. Dr. Evan R. Smith
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Music Director	Pam Snyder
Organist	Mary Jo Ramsey-Smith