

# What's First

at  
Second Presbyterian Church  
March 2026

## Our Vision

*As members of Second Presbyterian Church,  
We gather in worship;  
We grow in God's Word;  
We serve in Jesus' name.*

### Session

#### Moderator

William C. Seay, Jr.

#### Clerk of Session

Bettie Guthrie

#### Class of 2026

Beverley Coleman

Carl Guthrie

#### Class of 2027

Bettie Guthrie

#### Committees:

##### Building & Grounds

Carl Guthrie

##### Finance/Stewardship

##### Office & Personnel

Garland Harrison

##### Outreach

Carole Ellis

Kimberly Jones

##### Worship/Education

Alice Martin



Roald Dahl was a British writer from Wales. "Charlie and The Chocolate Factory" was his most famous work.

A children's story, it told of a young boy who, with rare fortune, was given privilege to visit a chocolate candy factory which he discovered to be a place of supernatural surprises and great fun. And it was because young Charlie had gained admission by obtaining a golden, winning ticket, packed in one of the factory's famous chocolate bars. The story became the famous musical and film, "Willy Wonka and The Chocolate Factory."

We, as God's children, also have a rare, winning token. Yet it already gives us admission to Heaven. And we do not need to win it. Jesus has already died upon it to win victory over our Sins for us so that He can welcome us into Heaven for a joyful Eternal Life with Our Heavenly Father. It is called "The Cross."

"He bore my sins as His wounds on the Cross so that I would die in Sin yet live in Righteousness." (I Peter 2:4)

**William C. Seay, Jr.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Daylight Saving Time Begins on Sunday, March 8. Don't forget to turn your clocks forward one hour on Saturday night!

**OUTREACH:** Carole Ellis & Kimberly Jones

**JOYS AND CONCERNS**

**PRAY FOR:**

**CHURCH FAMILY AND FRIENDS:** Bill and Mona Ellis, Eva (Becky's niece), Thelma Kirkland, Keith Snavely, Jack Schoeb, Wayne Tucker, Liam Clegg (Guthrie's grandson), Amy Rush, Whitney Palmore, Baby Jack Francis (Tim and Cheryl Smith's grandson), Ethel Peterson.

**WORLD AND COMMUNITY:** An end to wars around the world and homelessness.

“Give generously to the needy....and do so without a grudging heart.” Deut. 15:10

**SUGGESTIONS FOR BLESSING BOX:** Snacks (peanut butter crackers, applesauce), juice boxes.

**SUGGESTIONS FOR DCU FOOD PANTRY:** Canned vegetables, pancake and muffin mixes, syrup, applesauce.

**SYMPATHY**

Our Christian sympathy is extended to the family of Dale Nichols upon the death of his mother, Dorothy N. Riggan.

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**IN MEMORIAM**  
**DOROTHY N. RIGGAN**  
**DECEMBER 5, 1932 - FEBRUARY 22, 2026**  
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**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN:** Alice Martin, Moderator

**CIRCLE MEETING**

**MONDAY, MARCH 2**

**at**

**10:30 a.m.**

**In the church parlor**



**BLANKET SUNDAY DONATIONS TOTAL**

**\$400**

WOW!! Thank you all so much for your generosity! This means there are 40 more people keeping warm and dry because YOU cared!! You are a blessing.

**PW MARCH MISSION PROJECT:** Gloria Summers, PW Mission Chair.

**NON-PERISHABLE FOOD FOR DCU HOPE CENTER**

Please place food items in the basket in the back hallway.

**62<sup>nd</sup> LENTEN SERIES 2026**

This will be the 62<sup>nd</sup> year that the Presbyterian Women have sponsored Lenten services and luncheons during Lent.

Brochures will be handed out for you to have and for you to take to friends and neighbors to invite them to come. Pastors participating are listed:

Mar. 4	Rev. Katherine Jackson, Honorably Retired
Mar. 11	Rev. Rob Dawson, First Baptist, Petersburg
Mar. 18	Rev. Carson Rhyne, Honorably Retired
Mar. 25	CRE William A. Seay, Second Presbyterian

As usual, a delicious luncheon follows the service.

Luncheon: \$6.00

## **SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH BREAKFAST CLUB**

**TUESDAY, MARCH 24**

**8:00 a.m.**

**Don't forget to sign up in the church office.**

### **MARCH BIRTHDAYS**

3 Alice Martin  
Savannah Crew  
10 Gloria Dance  
14 Caleb Gill  
Janet Campbell  
18 Allison S. Lewis



21 Dianne Hack  
22 Allison S. Autrey  
25 Susan W. Crew  
Kim Jones  
Malcolm Squires, Jr.  
26 Nona Wartella

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
<b>March 2026</b>						
<b>1</b> 11:30 Worship Monthly Food Offering	<b>2</b> 9:15 PWCT 10:30 Morning Circle	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> 12:15 Lenten Series Followed by Lunch	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> Turn Clocks forward 1 hr.
<b>8</b> Daylight Saving Time Begins 11:30 Worship	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> 12:15 Lenten Series Followed by Lunch	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>15</b> 11:30 Worship	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> 	<b>18</b> 12 noon What's First articles due for <u>April</u> 12:15 Lenten Series Followed by Lunch	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b> 11:30 Worship 12:45 Session	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> 8:00 2 <sup>nd</sup> Church Breakfast Club	<b>25</b> 12:15 Lenten Series Followed by Lunch	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b> Palm Sunday 11:30 Worship	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>				



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