

WORSHIP AT SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT – MARCH 6, 2022

Welcome to Second Presbyterian Church

Sharing the grace of God with one another and the world around us.

This church welcomes you no matter who you are, where you come from, or why you are here. We are Christ's people; if you are looking for a home, stay here; if you need instruction, learn from us as we learn from you. We invite visitors to join us, but most of all, to return often.

Please visit our website 2ndpreslou.org to connect with our various ministries, or to contact our office for more information about our faith community.

If you are new to Second Presbyterian, or would like to share a prayer concern, please scan this QR Code to fill out our online Friendship Pad.

Thank you for silencing mobile phones or any other devices to honor the sanctity of our worship.

Sharing grace through giving: We welcome you to visit our Giving Page on our website (2ndpreslou.org/giving) to fulfill your pledges and offer your financial support for the ongoing ministries of Second Presbyterian Church. When you scan this QR code, it will direct you to the giving page of our website. Giving by text message is also available: text 844-584-2059 or by using the Vanco app and entering the amount you wish to donate. Thank you for your faithful support!



** Please stand if you can do so comfortably. **Bold type** is sung or read in unison.*

*For our worshipers who use hearing devices, please be reminded that we have the **T-Coil system available**. If you have the T-coil feature on your hearing device, and most devices do have that feature, you simply need to switch it to that setting. If you would like a unit, please ask an usher to provide one.*

COVID PROTOCOL UPDATE

The church's Re-opening Task Group met Thursday, March 3, to assess masking protocols in response to COVID-19. Noting the rapidly declining infection rates and the current CDC guidelines, the Group, on behalf of Session, has determined that **beginning Monday, March 14**, we will officially observe a mask-optional policy regarding gatherings inside the building. As an act of our caring for all our community at Second, it is important that we honor the decisions of all our members to mask or not, especially for those who are at risk or most vulnerable. Adults coming into the Weekday School area during its operating hours will still be asked to wear a mask.

The Task Group, composed of active elders, at-large members, and members of the church staff, have faithfully met over the past 16 months or more to evaluate our church's response to the pandemic.

SERVICE FOR 'THE LORD'S DAY

The First Sunday of Lent

March 6, 2022

THE GATHERING

WELCOME

PRELUDE

EIN FESTE BURG

Dieterich Buxtehude

CALL TO WORSHIP

11 a.m. INTROIT

Te Deum laudamus

arr. John Ferguson

The Octet; members of Austin Handbells

Te Deum laudamus: te Dominum confitemur.

Holy God, we praise your name; Lord of all, we bow before you.

Infinite your vast domain, Everlasting is your reign.

11 a.m. PRESENTING THE MEANS OF GRACE

*HYMN 4

Holy God, We Praise Your Name

GROSSER GOTT

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION *read in unison*

adapted from: W.E.B. DuBois (1909)

Lord, give us both the honesty and strength to look our own faults squarely in the face and not ever continue to excuse or minimize them, while they grow. Grant us that wide view of ourselves, which our neighbors possess, or better the highest view of infinite justice and goodness and efficiency. In that great light let us see the littleness and narrowness of our souls and the deeds of our days, and then forthwith begin their betterment. Only thus shall we broaden out of the vicious circle of our own admiration into your greater commendation.

Time for silent prayer.

*RESPONSE

Restore in Us, O God

BAYLOR

Re - store in us, O God, the splen - dor of your love; re -
new your im - age in our hearts, and all our sins re - move.

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

***RESPONSE** *read responsively*

Walking this earth, facing temptation, defeating sin, Jesus has done for us what we could never do for ourselves. This is good news!

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

11 a.m. Children ages 3 through completed 3rd graders are welcome to come forward and be dismissed through the side door for activities.

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 26:1–11

SECOND READING

Luke 1:1–13

SERMON

A Very Present Help

Rev. Steve Jester

THE RESPONSE

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Nicene Creed

Found on Page 34 in the Glory to God hymnal

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *read responsively*

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts!

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We give you thanks and praise, O God... sing your praise:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The cup of blessing overflows!

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION *O for a Closer Walk with God* Charles Villiers Stanford

The Octet (8:30 a.m.) and The Sanctuary Choir (11 a.m.)

O for a closer walk with God, A calm and heavenly frame; A light to shine upon the road That leads me to the Lamb!	Return, O holy dove, return, Sweet messenger of rest; I hate the sins that made thee mourn, And drove thee from my breast.	So shall my walk be close with God, Calm and serene my frame; So purer light shall mark the road That leads me to the Lamb. <i>William Comper</i>
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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Please see the information on the inside of the front cover of the bulletin about ways to give. You are invited to pass the Friendship Pad found at the end of the pen.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *Jesus, Name of Wondrous Love* arr. Ovid Young
Kenneth Oeth, tenor; Jim Rittenhouse, baritone

Jesus! Name of wondrous love! Name all other names above! Unto which must every knee Bow in deep humility.	Jesus! Only name that's given Under all the mighty heaven, Whereby we to sin enslaved, Burst our fetters and are saved.
Jesus! Name of priceless worth, Priceless worth to fallen ones of earth For the promise that it gave, "Jesus shall his people save."	Jesus! Name of wondrous love! Human Name of God above; Pleading only this, we flee Helpless, O our God to thee. <i>Everett Titcomb</i>

***DOXOLOGY 223** *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross, v 4* HAMBURG

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small; Love so amazing, so divine demands my soul, my life, my all.

SHARING GRACE

THE SENDING

***HYMN 275** *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* EIN FESTE BURG

***BLESSING**

POSTLUDE "Tu devicto" from *Te Deum laudamus* Buxtehude

*We are called to go out from our worship to share the grace of God with one another and the world.
You are welcome to remain seated for the postlude or exit quietly.*

IN WORSHIP TODAY

PRESENTING THE MEANS OF GRACE

Our life is in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. The Bible is the written witness to Jesus Christ, therefore it is "The Word of Life." Our lives are claimed by God through our baptism. It is God's seal on who we are as the children of God, therefore it is "The Font of Identity." The Table is the center of our home in the Body of Christ, the place where we are welcomed, renewed, and strengthened for the life to which we are called, therefore it is "The Table of Sustenance."

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS are given by Keith DeCosta in memory of his sister Suzana DeCosta and all of our members who have gone before us into the church triumphant.

USHERS 8:30 a.m.: Margaret Cregor-Radford, Tom Tyrrell

11:00 a.m.: Connie Smith, Gene Smith, Sallye Pence, Tom Hettmansperger, Judy Hettmansperger

OUR WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Steve Jester, preacher; Rev. Jordan Akin and Rev. Rich Gianzero, liturgists; Diana Jester, lay reader

The Octet (8:30 a.m.); The Sanctuary Choir (11:00 a.m.); Austin Handbell members: Terry Cissell, Lindsay Cook, Myles Hayden, Diana Jester; Jim Rittenhouse, Director; Samuel Libra, Organist; Evan Vicic, audio/video engineer; Brandon Hughes, camera

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WE LIFT UP IN PRAYER

James ("Scotty") McArthur, Jim and David McArthur and their family on the death of their wife and mother, Linda McArthur, 2/16/22.

Russ Dunlap and his family on the death of his sister, Betsy Dunlap, 2/16/22.

Patti Strickler and her family on the death of her husband, Frank, 2/8/22.

Jim and Joe Seiler and their family on the death of their mother, Louise Seiler, 2/7/22.

The family and friends of Dorothy Wilkey on her death, 1/28/22.

Nancy Helm Thomas and her family in the death of her sister, Louise Helm Bessire, 1/25/22.

Betty Gibbs and her family on the death of her husband, George, 1/23/22.

David Wood and his family on the death of his sister, Becky DeCamp.

Patty Dailey and her family on the death of her sister-in-law, Vickie Wimsatt-Dailey 1/12/22 & mother-in-law, Nanette Dailey 1/23/22.

CHILDCARE: Childcare is available in room 117 for children ages 5 and under during 9:00 Worship and for children ages 3 and under for the 11:00 Worship. Room 117 is in Hilbert Hall, adjacent to the Weekday School Atrium, entrance #1 or #9. Parents may pick up their children from the lower-level educational space after 11:00 Worship has ended. Educational space is best accessed through the double doors near the Narthex marked 2PK. PreK–3rd grade: rooms 150–154. **4th-5th graders will stay in worship today, March 6.**

KidCheck is a secure children's check-in system that enhances your provider's security system and simplifies the check-in process. KidCheck helps ensure no one can pick up your child without your consent. Signing up for KidCheck is easy and free for parents, guardians, and workers! Visit <https://go.kidcheck.com> or download the KidCheck app on an iOS or Android device. Stations can be found at the nursery outside Hilbert Hall and in the Common Space near door 6. For you and your child/ren's safety, beginning today, all doors except for door 3 and the main Sanctuary doors will be locked at 11:15. Please use one of these entrances if you will be arriving after this time.

CHILDREN'S SUMMER PROGRAMMING registration opened March 1st. Email Chelsea Beasley (cbeasley@2ndpreslou.org) to get your kids signed up. See the upcoming March issue of Second Thoughts for more details on the programs for this summer. Smiley Camp is already full, so those who register will be placed on a waitlist.

NAMETAGS: We encourage all who come to worship each week to make a nametag so we can continue to welcome guests, and encourage our fellowship together. Look for the tags and markers at the entrances.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MISSION OF THE MONTH: BUCKHORN

The March Mission of the Month is Buckhorn, specifically, a part of Buckhorn Services known as Rogers Recovery House. Buckhorn no longer has children in their residential care, so Second will instead be offering items for this inpatient rehabilitation facility for adult women. Rogers Recovery House is open to adult females who have surpassed the detoxification phase and subsequently require a stabilized and structured environment to begin their recovery. These items can be dropped off in the Mission Closet on Sundays and during regular church office hours throughout the week. Items needed include toiletries & personal items (shampoo, soap, etc.), linens (twin size sheets, towels, etc. - all white), arts & crafts supplies, board games, and more. You can find the complete list of needs in March's Second Thoughts.

UPCOMING EVENTS: Week of March 6, 2022

YOUTH VS. ADULTS OPEN GYM will be **March 8** at 7 p.m. This will be our last session of the season.

HS GIRLS' BIBLE STUDY is **March 10** at 8:00 p.m. at the Lyles' residence.

FELLOWSHIP & DISCOVERY WITH OUR AFRICAN AMERICAN CHURCHES - On each Saturday in March, you are invited to hear the stories, history, and heritage of each of the four African American congregations in the Mid-KY Presbytery. All events are from 10-11:30 a.m. and require social distancing and masking: **March 12 - Shawnee; March 19 - Peace; March 19 - Westwood.** More information in Seconds to Go.

PARENTS OF YOUNG CHILDREN MEET UP will be on Saturday, **March 12** from 10:00-11:30 a.m. All families with children ages 3 and younger are invited to meet for a time of fellowship and play in the gym. Please enter through door #1 (ITP). For more information, please contact Diana Jester at djester1101@twc.com.

SPLENDOR OF THE BAROQUE - **Next Sunday, March 13, 3 p.m.** Almost on the exact date it was canceled in 2020 when a state shutdown for Covid was announced, Second Presbyterian's Sanctuary Choir, professional Octet, and 8 additional vocal professionals, and period-instrument chamber orchestra will perform gems of the Baroque period, conducted by Jim Rittenhouse. The concert will be in the church's sanctuary as well as live-streamed on YouTube channel 2ndPresLou. Admission is free. Our spotlight mission is Kentucky Refugee Ministries (KRM). A reception will follow. Visit our website for more information and how to give to KRM - <https://www.2ndpreslou.org/ministries/concert-series/>.

COSTA RICA MISSION TRIP - July 1-9, 2022: Cost is \$1,500, and a \$250 deposit is due by **March 13**. Contact Rev. Jordan Akin for more information: jakin@2ndpreslou.org, or 895-3483.

PARENTS' NIGHT OUT will be Saturday, **March 19** from 5:00-8:30 p.m. This is for children from birth through 5th grade and costs \$15 per child with a \$25 family cap. Pack a dinner and have the children join us for crafts, gym time, storytelling, and more! Reservations must be made on or before March 14 to Amy Heckmann at aheckmann@2ndpreslou.org.

WEDNESDAYS TOGETHER continues on Wednesdays from 5-7 p.m. Dinner will be served from 5-6 p.m. in the Great Hall. There will be a Bible Study for adults taught by Pastor Steve and Pastor Jordan, 6-7 p.m. Music and Vocal education for ages 3 through 5th grade will begin at 5:30 p.m. with childcare or activities to follow. Reservations are needed by noon on Monday of each week for the meals. Contact Chelsea at cbeasley@2ndpreslou.org to make a reservation. There is a suggested donation of \$5 per person with a \$15 family cap for the meal.

MORNING JOY, Thursdays at 9:45 a.m. Pastor Steve Jester will lead the study entitled, "Challenging Teachings of Jesus," focusing on teachings from all four Gospels that push us and stretch us to grow as Christ's disciples. Participants can attend in-person in Fellowship Hall where masks are strongly encouraged. If interested in joining us virtually, please email cbeasley@2ndpreslou.org for Zoom info. All are welcome!



Lenten Schedule

Ash Wednesday Worship

We begin Lent on Wednesday, March 2nd at 6:30 p.m. with worship in the Chapel, including imposition of ashes. The Chapel will be open at 6:00 p.m. for prayer.

Mid-Week Prayer

Each Wednesday at noon, we will meet to pray and read Scripture over Zoom.

Wednesdays Together

We will continue to meet for our weekly meal with formation activities for adults and children's choir rehearsals, March 9-30.

Lenten Recital Series

Thursdays at noon, featuring a variety of area musicians performing music in a variety of styles, beginning with an Irish trio for St. Patrick's Day, March 17th. Each of these programs is followed by a light catered lunch.

Sunday Morning Worship

8:30 a.m. worship in the Chapel followed by Adult Education, 11:00 a.m. worship in the Sanctuary, plus livestream. Worship opportunities for the Holy Week, April 14-17, TBA.

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THE MINISTRY TEAM

Rev. Steven P. Jester, *Pastor*

Rev. Jordan Akin, *Associate Pastor for Youth*

Rev. Rich Gianzero, *Interim Associate Pastor*

Hayley Abell, *Director of the Weekday School*

Jim Rittenhouse, *Director of Worship & Music Ministries*

Chelsea Beasley, *Interim Assistant for Formation & Mission*

Lisa Bickett, *Pastoral Assistant*

Ricky Case, *Children's Choirs Co-Coordinator*

Elizabeth Clay, *Parish Associate*

Keith DeCosta, *Sexton*

Rick Farrow, *Facilities*

Jackie Grimley, *Bookkeeper*

Amy Heckmann, *Childcare Coordinator*

Samuel Libra, DMA, *Organist & Communications Assistant*

Christina Recktenwald, *Children's Choirs Co-Coordinator*

Tanner Williams, *Receptionist & Administrative Assistant*

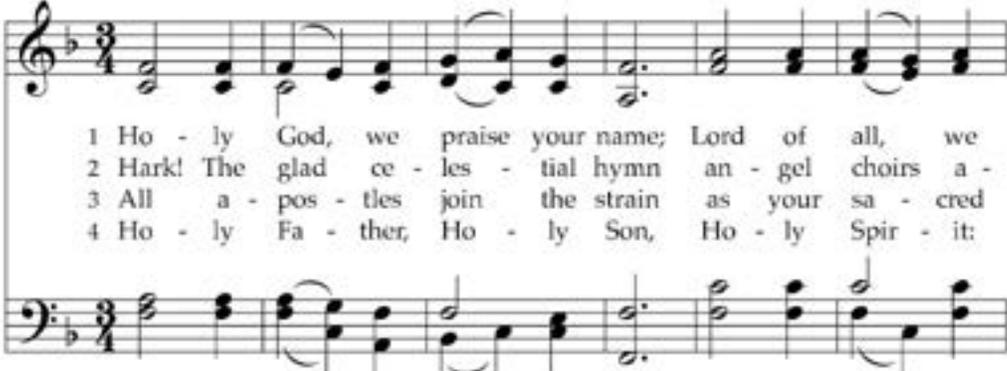
Paula S. Roberts, *Organist Emerita*



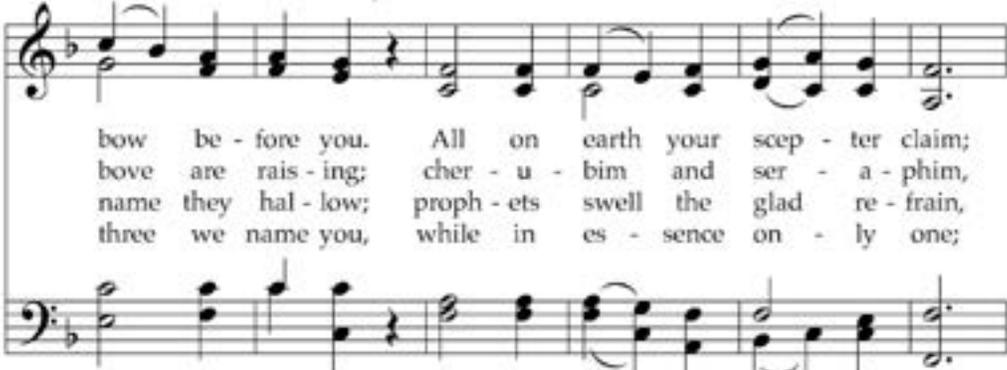
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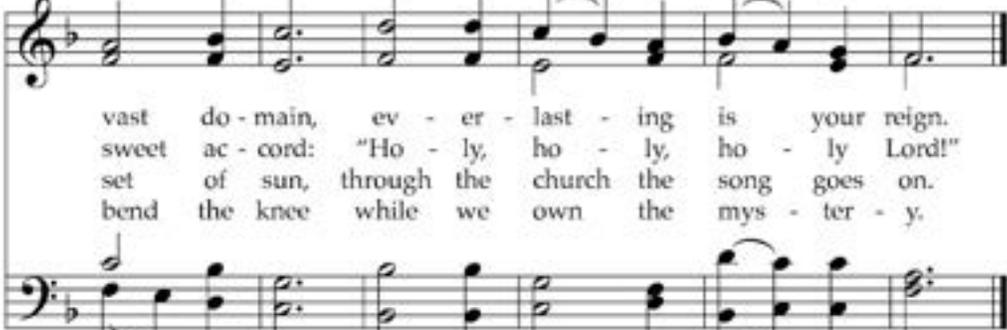
1 Ho - ly God, we praise your name; Lord of all, we
 2 Hark! The glad ce - les - tial hymn an - gel choirs a -
 3 All a - pos - tles join the strain as your sa - cred
 4 Ho - ly Fa - ther, Ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spir - it:



bow be - fore you. All on earth your scep - ter claim;
 bove are rais - ing; cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim,
 name they hal - low; proph - ets swell the glad re - frain,
 three we name you, while in es - sence on - ly one;



all in heaven a - bove a - dore you. In - fi - nite your
 in un - ceas - ing cho - rus prais - ing, fill the heavens with
 and the bless - ed mar - tyrs fol - low, and from morn to
 un - di - vid - ed God we claim you, and a - dor - ing,



vast do - main, ev - er - last - ing is your reign.
 sweet ac - cord: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!"
 set of sun, through the church the song goes on.
 bend the knee while we own the mys - ter - y.

Based on an 18th-century German metrical version of a celebrated 5th-century Latin hymn, *Te Deum laudamus*, this abbreviated 19th-century English paraphrase is sung by both Protestants and Roman Catholics. It is set here to the tune composed and named for the German version.

275 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a bul-wark nev - er
 2 Did we in our own strength con - fide, our striv - ing would be
 3 And though this world, with dev - ils filled, should threat - en to un -
 4 That word a - bove all earth - ly powers, no thanks to them, a -

fail - ing. Our help - er he, a - mid the flood of
 los - ing, were not the right man on our side, the
 do us, we will not fear, for God hath willed his
 bid - eth. The Spir - it and the gifts are ours through

mor - tal ills pre - vail - ing. For still our an - cient foe doth
 man of God's own choos - ing. Dost ask who that may be? Christ
 truth to tri - umph through us. The Prince of Dark - ness grim, we
 him who with us sid - eth. Let goods and kin - dred go, this

seek to work us woe. His craft and power are great, and
 Je - sus, it is he. Lord Sab - a - oth his name, from
 trem - ble not for him. His rage we can en - dure, for
 mor - tal life al - so. The bod - y they may kill; God's

armed with cru - el hate, on earth is not his e - qual.
 age to age the same, and he must win the bat - tle.
 lo, his doom is sure. One lit - tle word shall fell him.
 truth a - bid - eth still. His king - dom is for - ev - er.