

# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Reformation Sunday - Twenty First Sunday after Pentecost

October 25, 2020 – 11:00 a.m.

## THE GATHERING

### PRELUDE

*Allegro* from *Sonata in D*  
Jim and Nicholas Recktenwald, trumpets; Guy Younce, organ

Petronio Franceschini

### WELCOME

### PRESENTING THE MEANS OF GRACE

#### \*HYMN 275

*A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*  
Festival introduction by Austin Handbells  
*Hymn can be found on pages 6-7 of bulletin*

EIN' FESTE BURG

#### \*CALL TO CONFESSION

#### \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(Read in unison)*

**O God of all creatures, we have neither loved our neighbors as ourselves nor honored ourselves as your beloved creation. We walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped up in our own concerns. We have gone along with evil, with pride, quarrelling, and divisiveness. God of forgiveness, help us to see your Holy Spirit always at work among us, constantly reforming us, reminding us to turn back to you and follow your will for our lives.**

*(Time for silent prayer)*

#### \*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*+Though we will not be singing together corporately, we encourage you to use the hymn texts for meditation.*

#### \*RESPONSE

EIN' FESTE BURG

That word above all earthly powers, no thanks to them, abideth.  
The Spirit and the gifts are ours through him who with us sideth.  
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also.  
The body they may kill; God's truth abideth still. His kingdom is forever.

#### \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

## THE WORD

LESSON FOR CHILDREN

Lorie Williamson

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Rev. Jordan Akin

FIRST READING

Leviticus 19:1-2, 9-10, 13-18

SECOND READING

Matthew 22:34-40

SERMON

*Fundamentals*

Rev. Steve Jester

## THE RESPONSE

### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from *The Scots Confession*

We confess and acknowledge one God alone, to whom alone we must cleave, whom alone we must serve, whom only we must worship, and in whom alone we put our trust. Who is eternal, infinite, immeasurable, incomprehensible, omnipotent, invisible; one in substance and yet distinct in three persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost. By whom we confess and believe all things in heaven and earth, visible and invisible, to have been created, to be retained in their being, and to be ruled and guided by his inscrutable providence for such end as his eternal wisdom, goodness, and just have appointed, and to the manifestation of his own glory.

### ANTHEM

*Built on the Rock*

Hal H. Hopson

Built on the Rock the Church shall stand even when steeples are falling.  
Jubilate, jubilate, jubilate Deo! (*Rejoice in God!*)  
Crumbled have spires in every land, Bells still are chiming and calling,  
Calling the young and old to rest, But above all the souls distressed,  
Longing for rest everlasting.

Surely in temples made with hands, God, the Most High, is not dwelling;  
High above earth His temple stands, All earthly temples excelling.  
Yet he who dwells in heav'n above chooses to live with us in love,  
Making our bodies His temple.

We are God's house of living stones, Built for His own habitation.  
He through baptismal grace us owns, heirs of His wondrous salvation.  
Were we but two His name to tell, Yet he would deign with us to dwell  
With all His grace and His favor. Alleluia! Alleluia! Jubilate Deo!

## SHARING GRACE

Moment for Stewardship

Wayne Wilson

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *(Read responsively)*

“God of grace, hear our prayer...”

*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.**

## THE SENDING

### \*HYMN 624

*I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art*  
*Hymn can be found on page 9 of bulletin*

TOULON

### \*BENEDICTION

### POSTLUDE

*The Church's One Foundation*  
Guy Younce, organ

arr. Don Hustad

*\*Please stand as you are able.*

*+Though we will not be singing together corporately, we encourage you to use the hymn texts for meditation.*

## IN WORSHIP TODAY

**The Chancel Flowers** for today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Prentice “Chip” Brown III and his mother, Judy, by their family.

**SHARING GRACE THROUGH GIVING:** We welcome you to visit our Giving page on our website, [www.2ndpreslou.org/giving](http://www.2ndpreslou.org/giving) to fulfill your pledges and offer your financial support for the ongoing ministries of Second Presbyterian Church. You can also give toward the COVID-19 Relief Fund. For our in-person worshippers, there are baskets at each exit in which to place your gifts. Giving by text message is also available: Text 844-584-2059 and enter the amount you wish to donate. Thank you for your faithful support!

### OUR MUSIC AND PRODUCTION

The Octet of the Sanctuary Choir; Guy Younce, Interim Organist; Jim and Nicholas Recktenwald, trumpets.

**Austin Memorial Handbells:** *Ricky Case, Elizabeth Clay, Lindsay Cook, Kit Davis, Karen Hadley, Jean Herp, Diana Jester, Katharine Miller, Lorie Williamson, Susanne Wright*

Evan Vicic, audio/video technician; Chelsea Beasley, video

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**ALL SAINTS DAY WORSHIP, Sunday, November 1 at 9 and 11 a.m.** We honor those of our congregation who have died over the past year, and worship the God of all our days. Pastor Steve Jester preaches from the book of Revelation, and music is provided by the Octet, Guy Younce on organ, harpist

Louisa Woodson, and pianist Debbie Dierks. We will celebrate Holy Communion, and observe the remembrance of our loved ones. Please be looking for the email to reserve, or call the church office.

### **WE LIFT UP IN PRAYER**

Chuck Nesbitt and his family on the death of his mother, Gerry Nesbitt, 10/9/20.

Former Second Presbyterian associate pastor Harry Daniel on the death of his wife of 51 years, Betty Daniel, 10/7/20.\*

Nina Hilbert on the death of her husband, Steve Hilbert, 10/6/20.

Sharon Owens on the death of her mother, Ruth Kuhl, 9/19/20.

Chip Hancock and his family on the death of his father, 9/19/20.

The Pence families on the death of their mother, Jerry Pence, 9/18/20.

Lisa Houghland and her family on the death of her father, James Bell, 9/11/20.

Sue Rogers and her family on the death of her uncle, Wayland Rogers, 9/9/20.

Charles Bond and his family on the death of his brother, Rob Bond.

\*Condolences may be sent to Harry at Harry Daniel, c/o Sarah R. Daniel, 187 Bryarly Road, Winchester, VA 22603.

### **THE MINISTRY TEAM**

Rev. Steven P. Jester, Pastor

Rev. Nathan Sautter, Assoc. Pastor for Community Life

Rev. Jordan Akin, Assoc. Pastor for Youth

Jim Rittenhouse, Director of Music Ministries

Lorie Williamson, Director of Children's Ministries

Hayley Abell, Director of Weekday School

Christina Recktenwald, Children's Choirs Coord.

Ricky Case, Children's Choirs Coord.

Elizabeth Clay, Parish Associate

Guy Younce, Interim Organist

Paula S. Roberts, Organist Emerita

## **UPCOMING EVENTS: Week of October 25**

**The Church Gym is now taking reservations for rentals.** The following time slots are available- Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday. 5-6:30 Pm and 7-8:30 Pm. The cost is \$75 per time slot. All reservations are on a first come first serve basis. Covid precautions are in effect. Rules and information are available in the church office of Lisa Bickett. If you have children or grandchildren on a team that needs practice facilities please inquire. Call John Hubbard 939-5741 or Lisa Bickett 895-3483.

**"Popcorn & Pumpkins" - Cancelled** Due to the rise in cases of Covid 10, along with the Governor's & KY Division of Childcare guidelines on Halloween gatherings, the Children's Committee has made the sad decision to cancel "Popcorn and Pumpkins" which was scheduled for today. We will instead be offering **"Home Celebration Bags,"** which will include a scavenger hunt card for families to do in their neighborhood, a pumpkin and painting kit, and treats. Bags are available under the portico of the church throughout the week.

**Family Movie Night October 30th 7:00pm** Just because we can't meet in person doesn't mean we can't watch our monthly movie! Join us for a Coco watch party via zoom!! RSVP to Chelsea Beasley at [cbeasley@2ndpreslou.org](mailto:cbeasley@2ndpreslou.org) and a link will be sent just prior to the start of the movie.

**Sunday School – "Who does God call you to be?"** Children's Sunday School for the month of November is based on the Disney/Pixar movie Coco. In last month's Sunday school, based on the movie Moana, we learned

who we are: a beloved child of God. Through the month of November, with the movie Coco, we will learn who God calls us to be. Each Sunday we will answer one of four questions: Can children be called by God? How can I recognize that call? Does God have a plan for me? How do I live out that plan? I hope you will have your child participate as we try to answer these big questions in simple ways.

Coco Sunday School bags can be picked up under the portico of the church Monday – Friday, 9am-4pm as of Oct. 26th. The bags contain materials that relate to a video lesson that will go out each Sunday morning via 2PK and will be posted on the church's website under resources.

## **Wednesdays Together**

### ***6:00-7:00 p.m. Adult Classes***

Two adult classes will be offered this season:

*Morning Joy at Night* taught by Pastor Steve in the Library

*Life Together* taught by Pastor Nathan in the Great Hall

### ***5:45-7:00 p.m. Youth Classes***

5:45-6:20 pm. *Music Together* (youth 6th-12th grade) are invited to gather in our own "safe space" - Fellowship Hall A to play handbells and other instruments. We will also try a bit of singing outside (all activities masked and at appropriate distance). Youth can then join their friends at Journeying Together. Please RSVP by emailing Jim Rittenhouse at [jrittenhouse@2ndpreslou.org](mailto:jrittenhouse@2ndpreslou.org)

6:00-7:00 p.m. *Journeying Together* (youth 6th-12th grade) class will be a rotation of mission, games, and thoughtful Conversation.

### ***6:00-7:00 p.m. Children's Classes***

6:00-7:00 p.m.- *Learning Together* (children ages 3 years to 5th grade - all activities outside)

The Learning Together class will be arranged in small group stations involving an interactive lesson, craft and fun games.

# 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

Long before Isaac Watts began to Christianize the Psalms, Martin Luther had already done so when he created the text and tune for this, his most famous hymn, which is based on Psalm 46. Luther encouraged metrical versions of psalms as well as chanted psalms and new hymns.

JESUS CHRIST: ASCENSION AND REIGN

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.

The musical score consists of two staves. The upper staff is in treble clef and contains a vocal line with lyrics. The lower staff is in bass clef and contains a piano accompaniment. The music is in a key with one sharp (F#) and a common time signature. The lyrics are: "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."

## I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art 624

1 I greet thee, who my sure Re-deem-er art,  
 2 Thou art the King of mer-cy and of grace,  
 3 Thou art the life, by which a-lone we live,  
 4 Thou hast the true and per-fect gen-tle-ness;  
 5 Our hope is in no oth-er save in thee;

my on-ly trust and Sav-ior of my heart,  
 reign-ing om-ni-po-tent in ev-ery place;  
 and all our sub-stance and our strength re-ceive;  
 no harsh-ness hast thou and no bit-ter-ness.  
 our faith is built up-on thy prom-ise free;

who pain didst un-der-go for my poor sake;  
 so come, O King, and our whole be-ing sway;  
 sus-tain us by thy faith and by thy power,  
 O grant to us the grace we find in thee,  
 Lord, give us peace, and make us calm and sure,

I pray thee from our hearts all cares to take.  
 shine on us with the light of thy pure day.  
 and give us strength in ev-ery try-ing hour.  
 that we may dwell in per-fect u-ni-ty.  
 that in thy strength we ev-er-more en-dure.

The original French text, sometimes attributed to John Calvin, seems to be a Protestant reworking of a Roman Catholic hymn, not a typical practice for him. Yet this text and tune (adapted from GENEVAN 124) clearly date from the early years of the Reformed tradition.