## 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 various ministries, or to contact the office for more information about our faith community.



If you are new to us, scan this QR Code to visit our website and learn about our life at Second.

## Children of God, welcome home!

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

For our worshippers with little ones needing a quiet space during the worship service, there is an infant and caregiver room off the Narthex. If you have any questions, please notify an usher.



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.

\* Please stand if you can do so comfortably.

Bold type is sung or read in unison.

# Service for the Lord's Day The Gathering

PRELUDE

Morning Star from Five Invocations

Henri Dallier

WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

**INTROIT** 

O God, Who Calls Your People trad. English, arr. A. Sullivan

O God, who calls your people out to venture and to dare, to plumb the bleak abyss of doubt and find you even there: when we despair in wandering through wastes of empty lies, refresh us with the living spring of hope that never dies. Carl P. Daw, Jr.

#### PRESENTING THE MEANS OF GRACE

\*HYMN 475

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

NETTLETON

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION read in unison

Psalm 51:6-7

You desire truth in the inward being; therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.

Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Time for silent prayer.

\*RESPONSE HYMN

Christ Be Beside Us

Bunessan

Christ be beside us; Christ be before us; Christ be behind us, King of our hearts. Christ be within us; Christ be below us; Christ be above us, never to part.

\*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

#### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Claire Blake Kosse daughter of Lucy and Patrick Kosse

BAPTISM HYMN

Lord Jesus Christ, Our Lord Most Dear

TALLIS CANON

Children ages 3 through completed 3rd graders are welcome to come forward for the Baptism; afterward, they will be dismissed through the side door for activities following the Peace.



Lord Je-sus Christ, our Lord most dear, as you were once an in-fant here, so



give this child of yours, we pray, your grace and bless-ing ev-ery day.

read in unison when invited

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.

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

The Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING Exodus 17:1–7

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

MUSICAL OFFERING If God Be for Us from Messiah
Christina Bouras Recktenwald, soloist

G.F. Handel

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

**SERMON** 

The Thirst Quencher

Rev. Steve Jester

## The Response

#### GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

We welcome you to scan this QR code and visit the Giving page on our website. You can fulfill your pledges and offer your financial support for the ongoing ministries of Second Presbyterian Church. Thank you!



ANTHEM

Christus Paradox

Picardy, arr. Alfred V. Fedak

You, Lord, are both Lamb and Shepherd You, Lord, are both prince and slave,

You, peacemaker and sword bringer,

Of the way you took and gave.

You the everlasting instant;

You, whom we both scorn and crave.

Clothed in light upon the mountain,

Stripped of might upon the cross,

Shining in eternal glory,

Beggared by a soldier's toss,

You, the everlasting instant,

You, who are both gift and cost!

You, who walk each day beside us, Sit in power at God's side.

You, who preach a way that's narrow,

Have a love that reaches wide.

You, the everlasting instant;

You, who are our pilgrim guide.

Worthy is our earthly Jesus!

Worthy is our cosmic Christ!

Worthy your defeat and victory.

Worthy still your peace and strife.

You the everlasting instant

You, who are our death and life.

Sylvia Dunstan

\*Doxology

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD 100TH

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.

SHARING GRACE

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 81

Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

Austria

\*BLESSING

POSTLUDE

Bright as the Sun from Five Invocations

Henri Dallier

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 in celebration of the 60th wedding anniversary of Bonnie & Larry Boram.

#### **USHERS**

Emily Lawrence, Chuck Dobbins, Joey Dobbins, Sullivan Roberts, Charlie Cook, Laura Cook

#### **OUR WORSHIP LEADERS**

Rev. Steve Jester, preacher; Rev. Rich Gianzero, liturgist; Stuart Ferguson, lay reader

The Sanctuary Choir; Jim Rittenhouse, Director; Samuel Libra, Organist

Evan Vicic, Audiovisual Engineer; Elliott Nichols, Technology Coordinator

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## We Lift Up in Prayer

Mary Agnes Norman, Cecy Brewer, and their families on the death of husband and brother, Jon Norman, 2/23/23.

The family and friends of Meredith Smythe Grider on her death, 2/11/23.

The family and friends of Alice Virginia Dodd on her death, 2/6/23.

Cathy Cole Irvin, Cole Irvin, Brittany Cartwright, and Bill Cole on the death of her daughter, their sister, and his niece, Shelley Louise Irvin, 1/12/2022.

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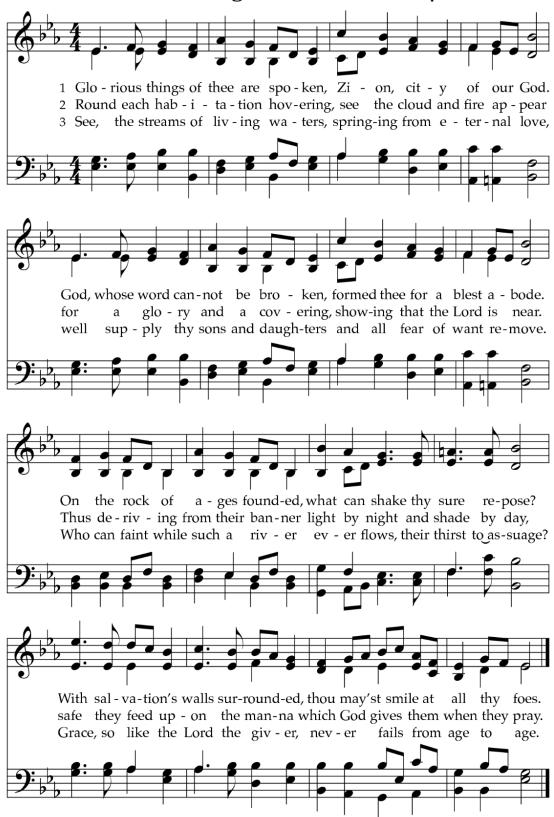
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## Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing 475 1 Come, thou Fount of ev-ery bless-ing; tune my heart to sing thy grace; raise my Eb - e - ne - zer; hith - er by thy help I'm come; grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con-strained to be! mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud-est praise. streams of hope, by thy good plea-sure, safe-ly to ar - rive at home. that grace now, like a fet - ter, bind my wan-dering heart to thee. Teach me some me - lo-dious son - net, sung by flam-ing tongues a-bove; Je - sus sought me when a strang-er, wan-dering from the fold of God; wan - der, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love; praise the mount! I'm fixed up - on it, mount of God's un-chang-ing love! res - cue me from dan-ger, in - ter-posed his pre-cious blood. here's my heart; O take and seal it; seal it for thy courts a-bove.

Written for Pentecost by a British Baptist pastor, this text is full of biblical terms like "Ebenezer" (1 Samuel 7:12), Hebrew for "a stone of help" set up to give thanks for God's assistance. The tune name honors hymnal compiler Asahel Nettleton, who probably did not compose it.

## 81 Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken



The Nazi appropriation of this tune for propaganda purposes has clouded a noble piece of music first associated with this text in 1889. In a 1779 collection, the author indicated that this hymn is primarily based on Isaiah 33:20–21 with allusions to several other passages.