

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 11:00 a.m. 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 11:00 a.m. 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

Children are invited to remain in 11:00 a.m. Worship today. To aid in their worship experience, please visit the Children's Worship Cart located in the Narthex for items specific to Palm Sunday.

The Gathering

PRELUDE 8:30 a.m. *My Heart Is Filled with Longing* Johannes Brahms
 11:00 a.m. *Lenten Mourning Tears* Adolphus Hailstork
 Jonathan Ruckman, cello; Samuel Libra, organ

CALL TO WORSHIP & SCRIPTURE Matthew 21:1–11

INTROIT *Lord! Come Away!* Ralph Vaughan Williams
 Ricky Case, tenor; Laura De St. Croix-Vicic, viola; Samuel Libra, piano

Lord! come away!	Nothing but thieves and robbers dwell therein;
Why dost Thou stay?	Enter, and chase them forth, and cleanse the floor!
Thy road is ready; and Thy paths, made straight	Crucify them, that they may never more
With longing expectation, wait	Profane that holy place
The consecration of Thy beauteous feet!	Where Thou hast chose to set Thy face!
Ride on triumphantly!	And then, if our stiff tongues shall be
Behold we lay our lusts and proud wills in Thy way!	Mute in the praises of Thy Deity,
Hosanna! Welcome to our hearts! Lord, here	The stones out of the temple wall
Thou hast a temple too; and full as dear	Shall cry aloud and call
As that of Sion, and as full of sin:	"Hosanna!" and Thy glorious footsteps greet!
	<i>Jeremiah Taylor, 17th c.</i>

PRESENTING THE MEANS OF GRACE

*HYMN 196 *All Glory, Laud, and Honor* VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN
 11:00 a.m.: *Children and families process with palms.*

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION *read in unison* *after a prayer of Howard Thurman*

God of mercy, in your presence our words seem so vain, so futile. Stand with us behind all the pretensions of our lives—the prides, the boasting, the arrogances—all the ways we seek security for ourselves. Forgive us our sin that looms so large in the quietness. Remember your mercy as we remember our failures. We still ourselves in your presence as we wait for your blessing.

Time for silent prayer.

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

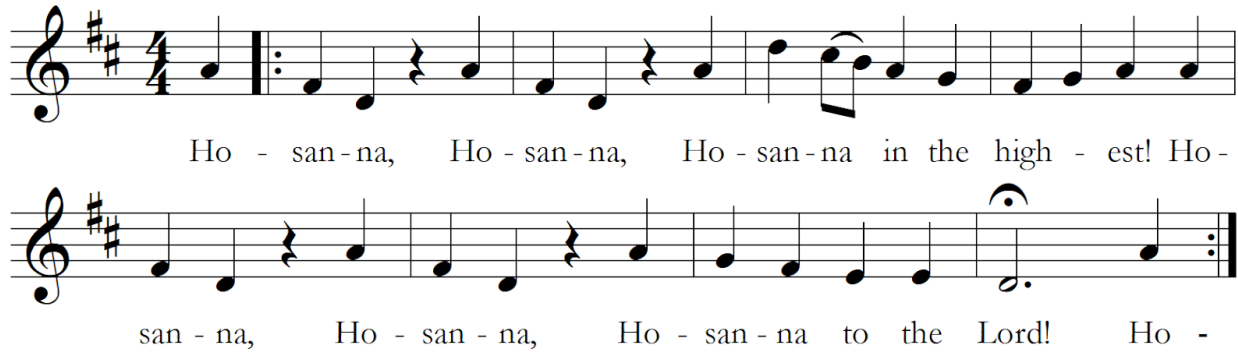
*PASSING OF THE PEACE

*RESPONSE

Hosanna to the Lord

Becki Slagle Mayo

11:00 a.m.: Children and families are invited to return to their seats as we sing.



Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na in the high - est! Ho -
san - na, Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na to the Lord! Ho -

The Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

11:00 am OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 50:4–9a

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Matthew 27:11–26

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Who will save us?

Rev. Steve Jester

The Response

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *read in unison*

The Nicene Creed

Found on Page 34 in the Glory to God hymnal.

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

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross
The Octet (8:30 a.m.) and Sanctuary Choir (11:00 a.m.)
text can be found at #223 in the Glory to God hymnal

Gilbert Martin

*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.**

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.

It is truly right...to the glory of your name:

**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.

You are holy, O God of majesty...the One crucified and risen:

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

Gracious God...now and forever.

Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER *read in unison*

**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

8:30 a.m. *Passacaglia on an Old English Tune* Rebecca Clarke

Laura St. Croix-Vicic, viola; Samuel Libra, piano

11:00 a.m. *Pie Jesu (Pious Jesus) from Requiem* Maurice Duruflé

Laura Atkinson, mezzo soprano; Jonathan Ruckman, cello

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SHARING GRACE

The Sending

*HYMN 197

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

ELLACOMBE

*BLESSING

POSTLUDE

O God, Thou Faithful God

Johannes Brahms

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."

USHERS

8:30 a.m. Steve Miller, Mary Miller

11:00 a.m. Gene Smith, Connie Smith, Sarah Middleton, Diana Jester, Walt Tucker, Odetta Tucker, Linda Watson

OUR WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Steve Jester, preacher; Rev. Jordan Akin, liturgist;
Janet Rittenhouse, lay reader (11:00 a.m.)

8:30 a.m. The Octet; Laura De St. Croix-Vicic, viola; Ricky Case, tenor

11:00 a.m. The Sanctuary Choir; Laura de St. Croix, viola; Jonathan Ruckman, cello;
Ricky Case, tenor; Laura Atkinson, mezzo soprano; Jim Rittenhouse, Director;
Samuel Libra, Organist

Evan Vicic, Audiovisual Engineer; Elliott Nichols, Technology Coordinator

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We Lift Up in Prayer

Virginia "Sister" Stites, Bill & Mimi Stites, Elizabeth Stites, and Amy Wombwell and their families on the death of husband, brother, and uncle, Bodley Stites, 3/20/23.

Alison Crawford and her family on the death of her grandmother, Gwen Knott, 3/3/23.

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.

Dana Collins, and her sons Ford and Davis, on the death of her father, Dr. Charles T. Lucas, 1/4/23.

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All Glory, Laud, and Honor 196

Refrain

All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to thee, Re-deem-er, King,

to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho-san-nas ring!

1 Thou art the King of Is - ra - el, thou Da - vid's roy - al Son,
 2 The peo - ple of the He - brews with palms be - fore thee went;
 3 To thee, be - fore thy pas - sion, they sang their hymns of praise;
 4 Thou didst ac - cept their prais - es; ac - cept the prayers we bring,

to Refrain
 who in the Lord's name com - est, the King and bless - ed One.
 our praise and prayers and an - thems be - fore thee we pre - sent.
 to thee, now high ex - alt - ed, our mel - o - dy we raise.
 who in all good de - light - est, thou good and gra-cious King!

These stanzas for Palm Sunday have been selected and translated from a much longer Latin poem written by a bishop who was the leading theologian in Charlemagne's court. They are sung to a 17th-century German chorale, as adapted for these words in the mid-19th century.

197 Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

1 Ho - san - na, loud ho - san - na, the lit - tle chil - dren sang;
 2 From Ol - i - vet they fol - lowed 'mid an ex - ult - ant crowd,
 3 "Ho - san - na in the high - est!" That an - cient song we sing,

through pil - lared court and tem - ple the joy - ful an - them rang.
 the vic - tor palm branch wav - ing, and chant - ing clear and loud;
 for Christ is our Re - deem - er; the Lord of heaven, our King.

To Je - sus, who had blessed them, close fold - ed to his breast,
 the Lord of earth and heav - en rode on in low - ly state,
 O may we ev - er praise him with heart and life and voice,

the chil - dren sang their prais - es, the sim - plest and the best.
 nor scorned that lit - tle chil - dren should on his bid - ding wait.
 and in his bliss - ful pres - ence e - ter - nal - ly re - joice.

The opening two stanzas narrate the first Palm Sunday in the past tense, but the third stanza shifts to the present tense to emphasize what current singers do and believe. The repeated elements in this anonymous German tune suggest the repetitive patterns in a crowd's chant.