Worship at Second Presbyterian Church



THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER April 23, 2023

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 The Gathering

PRELUDE

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light Samuel Libra, organ

HOUSTON arr. R. Groom te Velde

WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

INTROIT

Easter Anthem

William Billings

The Octet of the Sanctuary Choir

The Lord is ris'n indeed! Hallelujah! Now is Christ risen from the dead, And become the first fruits of them that slept. Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah.

And did He rise? And did He rise? Did He rise? Hear it, ye nations! Hear it, O ye dead! He rose, He rose, He rose, He rose, He burst the bars of death, He burst the bars of death and triumphed o'er the grave. - Young's Night Thoughts

PRESENTING THE MEANS OF GRACE

*HYMN 236

The Strife Is O'er

Victory

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION read in unison

Risen Christ as we come before you today, we ask that you give us the courage to examine our lives and to name those places where we ignored justice, acted against our faith, and walked in self-sufficiency. But especially today, we ask that you show us what else we are missing. Call to our attention those opportunities to do good that we passed by. Show us the places we failed to provide hospitality to strangers, the encounters with others where we showed up less than fully present, and the times we kept silent when we should have spoken. We are sorry for our sins of commission and omission. Help us to see Jesus more clearly so that as we walk

together in faith we might change and become the people and the Church that Christ is calling us to be—people who refrain from evil and see and do what is right.

Time for silent prayer.

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*RESPONSE HYMN 240 Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks

Alleluia No. 1

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord. Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

11:00 a.m. Children ages 3 through completed 3rd graders are welcome to come forward and be dismissed through the side door for activities following the Peace.

The Word

HYMN 451

SERMON

Open My Eyes, vs. 1

OPEN MY EYES

Rev. Dr. John Odom

Open my eyes, that I may see glimpses of truth thou hast for me. Place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me free. Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see. Open my eyes; illumine me, Spirit divine!

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

11:00 a.m.	FIRST READING	1 Peter 1:17-23
	The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.	
	SECOND READING	Luke 24:13-35
	The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.	

The Response

Recognizing Jesus

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH read in unison

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.

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

Stay With Us

Walter Pelz

The Octet (8:30 a.m.); The Sanctuary Choir (11 a.m.); Samuel Libra, piano

Stay with us till night is come; our praise to you this day be sung.
Bless our bread, open our eyes: Jesus, be our great surprise.
Walk with us, our spirits sigh: hear when our weary spirits cry.
Feel again our loss, our pain: Jesus, take us to your side.
Walk with us, the road will bend: make all our weeping, wailing end.
Wipe our tears, forgive our fears: Jesus, lift the heavy cross.
Talk with us till we behold a joyful life you will unfold:
Heal our eyes to see the prize: Jesus, take us to the light.
Stay with us till day is done: no tears nor dark shall dim the sun:
Cheer the heart, your grace impart: Jesus, bring eternal life. - Herbert Brokering

*DOXOLOGY Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia, alleluia! Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

SHARING GRACE

RECOGNITION OF SENIORS

Allison Davis	Kaylee Farnsley	Henri Pecceu
Cahill Delaney	Jacob Grissom	Bella Tilford
Ella Duane	Ellen Hancock	Owen Zimmerman
Helen Eddins	Audrey Kane	
Luke English	Lawton Logan Jr.	

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE read in unison

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

*SONG OF BLESSING We Are Bound for Greater Things Ken Medema Soloists sing stanzas; Congregation sings refrains as invited

Soloists: When I meet you on the highway I will greet you with a song. We'll play music by the roadside when the journey seems too long. In the rain and in the fire I will strain to hear you sing. The Kingdom is our heart's desire. We are bound for greater things. And we'll go singing (singing):

Refrain sung by all: (See inside back of bulletin for music)

We are bound for greater things, bound to walk a higher road. Drawn by dreams and led by visions, we will know the grace of God. We will leave the past behind. We will fly with eagles' wings. We will run the race before us. We are bound for greater things. Soloists: Help me find the chains that bind me as we walk into the light.We can see with clearer vision what confused us in the night.The One who made the golden morning,the One who gave our spirits wings,Gave us these hands to help each other on our way to greater things.And we'll go singing (singing): Refrain sung by all

*BLESSING

*RESPONSE

Refrain of We Are Bound for Greater Things

Ken Medema

We are bound for greater things, bound to walk a higher road. Drawn by dreams and led by visions, we will know the grace of God. We will leave the past behind. We will fly with eagles' wings. We will run the race before us. We are bound for greater things.

We are called to go out from our worship to share the grace of God with one another and the world.

We Welcome REV. DR. JOHN ODOM



John Odom serves as the general presbyter for Mid-Kentucky Presbytery. John began his call with the presbytery in 2015 after 25 years as a pastor in a variety of congregational settings in New York and North Carolina. John is a graduate of Davidson College (A.B.), Union Theological Seminary (M.Div.), and Columbia Theological Seminary (D.Min.). John is married to the Rev. Emily Enders Odom, associate director of mission communications for the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). They have two grown children—Nathaniel and Elizabeth. Nathaniel is an IT specialist with Bank of America in Charlotte, and Elizabeth, a social worker with the Deaf and Hard of Hearing lives in Greensboro with her spouse, Ryan.

In Worship Joday

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 honor of my wonderful husband Gene, to celebrate our 25th wedding anniversary and 30 years together, by his wife Connie Smith.

USHERS

John & Cheeky Bahe (8:30 a.m.); Henry Kelsey, Curt Engelstad, Julie Engelstad, Carol McCarty, Sudie Mosely, Jane Roth (11 a.m.)

OUR WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. John Odom, guest preacher & General Presbyter of Mid-Kentucky Presbytery; Rev. Jordan Akin, liturgist; Karen Hadley, lay reader (11 a.m.)

The Octet (8:30 a.m.), The Sanctuary Choir (11 a.m.); Jim Rittenhouse, Director; Samuel Libra, Organist

Evan Vicic, Audiovisual Engineer; Elliott Nichols, Technology Coordinator

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We Lift Up in Prayer

Edith Huber and her family on the death of her brother, Mack Justice, 3/23/23.

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.

Upcoming Events

April 23, 2023

- CHILDCARE is available during the 8:30 worship for children 5 and under and for children ages 3 and under during the 11:00 Worship. Childcare is offered in room 117 in Hilbert Hall, located adjacent to the Weekday School Atrium, entrance #1.
- CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION children ages 3 -3rd grade will be released to class during the 11:00 a.m worship. Classes take place in rooms 150-154. 4th and 5th graders begin in the youth suite for breakfast at 10:30 a.m. and move to their classroom (room 180) after breakfast.
- FAMILY BREAKFAST and a faith formation activity is offered weekly in the youth suite beginning at 10:30am for youth and their families (grades 4-12).
- SENIOR SUNDAY On Sunday April 23 we will be recognizing our high school seniors during the 11:00 a.m. worship.
- ADULT SUNDAY FAITH FORMATION Biblical Studies with Dr. Acton Ostling meets at 9:30 a.m. in room 252. Reading the Bible with Dr. Marty Soards meets at 9:45 a.m. in the Parlor and via Zoom. Pathways, led by Elizabeth Clay, meets in the Fellowship Hall and via Zoom at 9:45 a.m.. Forgiveness for Lent with Rev. Dr. Tom Sweets meets at 9:45 a.m. in Fellowship Hall B.
- MISSION OF THE MONTH: During the month of April we are collecting first aid and craft items for Cedar Ridge Camp. Please see Seconds to Go or the fliers on the information stations for a suggested list of items.
- CONCERT SERIES KALEIDOSCOPE TODAY, 3 p.m. Live streamed on YouTube 2ndPresLou. Come hear our Second Pres. musicians and guests present a wide array of vocal and instrumental music - from Mozart to "Mamma Mia," Bach to Gilbert & Sullivan. Our featured mission partner is South Louisville Community Ministries.
- SUMMER MUSIC BLAST! July 24-26, 5-8 p.m. Children ages 4 through Grade 5 (and those 3 years old who have already been in choir) are invited for an evening of group music, crafts, musical games, worship, and food! We are expanding our opportunity from one night to three! Registration is now open visit our Music page at 2ndpreslou.org. Contact Sam Libra for more info and if you are interested in being a VOLUNTEER. slibra@2ndpreslou.org.
- SAVE THE DATES Our Vespers@Second series is back this Summer! Join us for Vespers services and great music and fellowship outside in the Chapel Circle. Each night begins at 6:30 p.m. Here is our great lineup: June 18 - The Nick Recktenwald Jazz Group; July 16 - Bluegrass Vespers with Mike Schroeder and friends; August 20 - Elliott Nichols and Family (Elliott is our Tech Coordinator with an awesome voice!). Bring your family/friends/neighbors!
- RECEPTION ON SUNDAY APRIL 30 FOR NEW ASSOCIATE PASTOR AND FAMILY. Andrew Bowman, his wife Megan, and 4-year-old daughter Ellis will join us for their first Sunday at 2nd on April 30th. Immediately following the 11 AM service a reception will be held in Fellowship Hall with a light lunch and a skit (you don't want to miss this one). The gym will be open for children to play with some older youth to help with younger children. Please everyone mark your calendar and plan to attend!

Upcoming Events

April 23, 2023

Sunday, April 23 – The Third Sunday	of Easter				
8:30 a.m.	Service for the Lord's Day	Chapel			
9:45 a.m.	HS Senior Recognition Breakfast	Youth Suite			
10:30 a.m.	Family Breakfast (grades 4-12)	Youth Suite			
11:00 a.m.	Service for the Lord's Day	Sanctuary/Live streamed			
	Children's Faith Formation				
3:00 p.m.	Concert Series - KALEIDOSCOPE	Sanctuary/Live streamed			
Monday, April 24					
5:30 p.m.	SPOT: Pilates	Narthex			
Tuesday, April 25					
7:00 p.m.	Austin Memorial Handbells	Handbell Room			
Wednesday, April 26					
10:00 a.m.	SPOT: 2nd Act	Choir Room			
7:00 p.m.	Sanctuary Choir	Sanctuary			
Thursday, April 27					
12:00 p.m.	SPOT: Busy Needles	Parlor			
1:00 p.m.	SPOT: Paint Spot	Youth Suite			
Friday, April 28					
7:00 a.m.	Men's Weekly Bible Study	Room 251			
Sunday, April 30	The Fourth Sunday of Easter				
8:30 a.m.	Service for the Lord's Day	Chapel			
10:30 a.m.	Family Breakfast (grades 4-12)	Youth Suite			
11:00 a.m.	Service for the Lord's Day	Sanctuary/Live streamed			
	Children's Faith Formation				
12:00 p.m.	Reception for Rev. Andrew Bowman & Family	Fellowship Hall			
Monday, May 1					
1:00 p.m.	Monday Afternoon Club	Room 252			
5:30 p.m.	SPOT: Pilates	Narthex			
Tuesday, May 2					
10:00 a.m.	SPOT: Book Notes	Parlor			
11:30 a.m.	Presbyterian Union	Offsite (Vincenzo's)			
7:00 p.m.	Austin Memorial Handbells	Handbell Room			

Please visit <u>2ndpreslou.org/ calendar</u>, or scan the QR code to the right, for a complete list of events at Second. See our weekly email, Seconds to Go, for details about upcoming activities and Zoom links. To learn more about the ministries at Second, contact us at info@2ndpreslou.org or 502-895-3483.

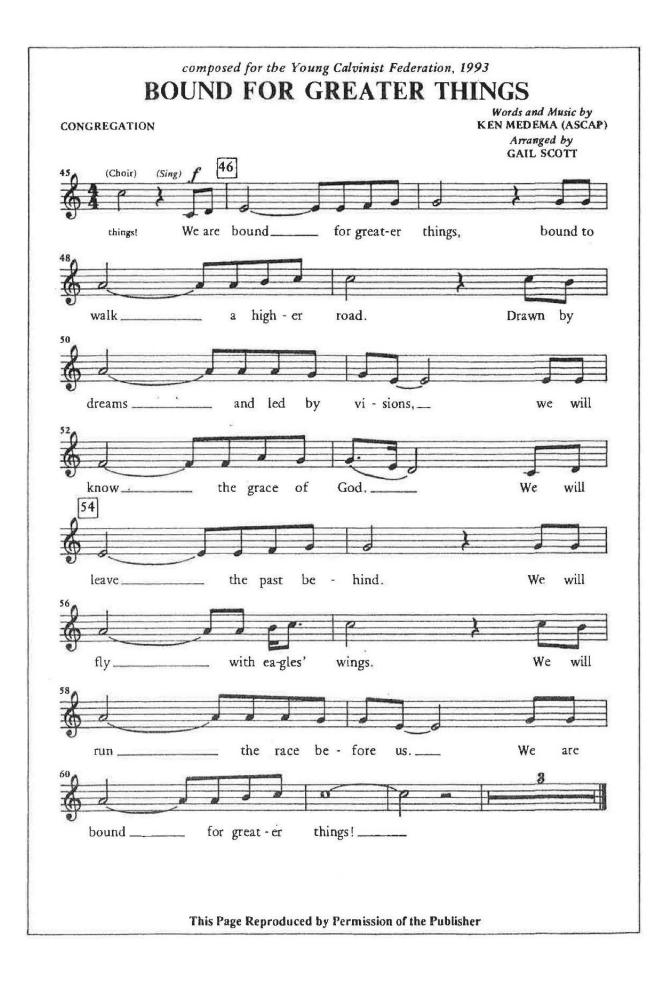




The Latin text from which this hymn has been translated may well be older than its earliest printing in a 17th-century collection published in Cologne. It is set to an adaptation of a portion of the Gloria Patri section from a 16th-century choral version of the Magnificat.



The first woman to publish a collection of her own anthems, this author/composer has created in this hymn a sung prayer for illumination. It not only asks God to help us understand Scripture but also prays for the strength and courage to make God's love known to others.



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