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

Sarabande from Suite from Holberg's Time Meme Tunnell & Samuel Libra, piano

Edvard Grieg

WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

HYMN SING 450-853

PRESENTING THE MEANS OF GRACE

*HYMN 263

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

CORONATION

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION read in unison

God of life, there are days when the burdens we carry are heavy on our shoulders and weigh us down, when the road seems dreary and endless, the skies gray and threatening, when our lives have no music in them, and our hearts are lonely, and our souls have lost their courage.

Flood the path with light, turn our eyes to where the skies are full of promise tune our hearts to brave music; give us companionship with the saints of every age; and lift our spirits so that we may be able to encourage all who journey with us on the road to life.

Time for silent prayer.



*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS read responsively

...Proclaim the good news to one another:

In the love of Christ, we are forgiven and freed to try again. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Harper Anderson Hubbard daughter of Hilary & John Hubbard Jr.

BAPTISM HYMN

Lord Jesus Christ, Our Lord Most Dear

TALLIS CANON

Children ages 3 through those who have completed 5th grade are welcome to come forward, during the hymn, 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 Genesis 18:1–15

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

SECOND READING Romans 4:16–21

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

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!

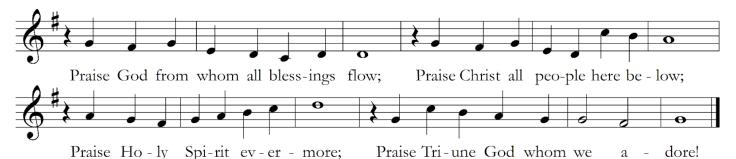


Rev. Steve Jester

Anthem

This Is My Father's World Terra Beata, arr. Mack Wilberg The Sanctuary Choir; Meme Tunnell & Samuel Libra, piano Text can be found at #370 in the Glory to God hymnal.

*Doxology 608 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow Praise God (Hopson)



*Prayer of Thanksgiving

SHARING GRACE

REFLECTIONS FROM OUR MONTREAT YOUTH

MOMENT FOR MISSION: PORTLAND AVENUE COMMUNITY TRUST

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE read responsively

...God of mercy, hear our prayer.

THE LORD'S PRAYER read in unison

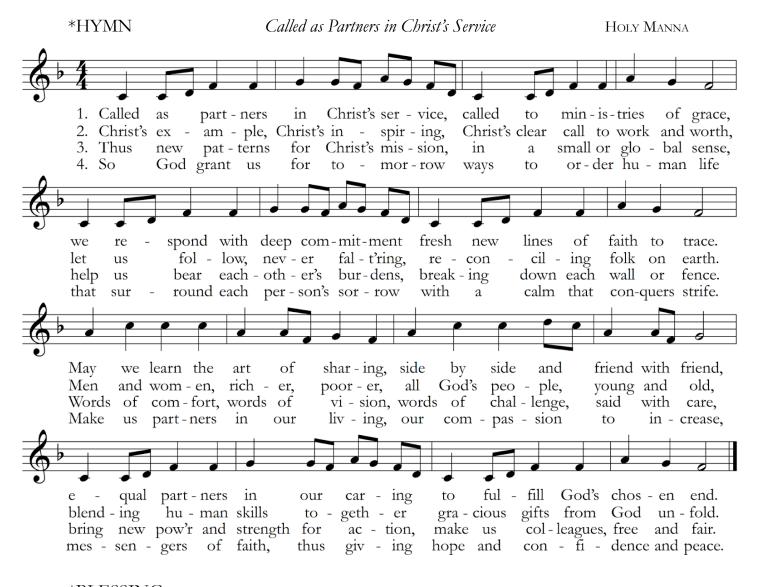
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

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.

The Sending



*BLESSING

POSTLUDE

Rigaudon from Suite from Holberg's Time Meme Tunnell & Samuel Libra, piano **Edvard Grieg**

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 memory of Helen Berry by Marilyn and Gordon Duke.

USHERS

Henry Kelsey, Cindy Dickman, Sandy Bailey, Laura Davis, Carol McCarty, Sudie Mosely, Dixie Baird

OUR WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Steve Jester, preacher; Rev. Jordan Akin & Rev. Andrew Bowman, liturgists; Johnny Burrice, Charlie Cook, Chloe Cook, Scott Davis, Ella Duane, Grace Liby, Lillian Powers, Stella Powers, & Bella Tilford, lay liturgists

The Sanctuary Choir; Jim Rittenhouse, Director; Samuel Libra, Organist; Meme Tunnell, guest pianist

Evan Vicic, Audiovisual Engineer; Elliott Nichols, Technology Coordinator

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We Lift Up in Prayer

Gary Buhrow and his family on the death of his wife, Ginny, 6/7/23.

Libby Hancock and her family on the death of her mother, Linda Wood; brother, Bill Leonard; and sister-in-law, Rebecca; 5/29/23.

Carol Harper and her family on the death of her son, Grafton, 5/13/23.

Cathy Martin, Lindsay Cook, and their family on the death of mother and grandmother, Susan McCrea, 5/10/23.

Wallace Horine, Margaret Flowers, and their families, on the death of wife and sister, Louise Horine, 5/9/23.

The family and friends of Joe Grimes on his death, 4/25/23.

Larry and Bonnie Boram and family on the death of Larry's sister, Jane Boram Hinkel, 4/19/23.

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