

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.*

To our visitors: please help us get to know you better by filling out an information card (found in the pew pockets). If you'll hand the card to a pastor in the Narthex after the service, we would be honored to give you a small welcome gift.

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 worshippers 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 *Adagio from Symphony V in F-minor* Charles-Marie Widor

WELCOME

INTROIT *This Joyful Eastertide* VREUCHTEN, arr. Charles Wood

This joyful Eastertide, away with sin and sorrow!
My Love, the Crucified, has sprung to life this morrow:
Had Christ, who once was slain, not burst His three-day prison,
our faith had been in vain; but now hath Christ arisen!
George Ratcliffe Woodward

CALL TO WORSHIP *read responsively*

Christ is risen!
The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

PRESENTING THE MEANS OF GRACE

*HYMN 233 *The Day of Resurrection* LANCASHIRE

*AN EASTER THANKSGIVING *read responsively*

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.
Glory be to you...be our praise for ever. **Amen.**

*RESPONSE HYMN 240 *Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks, refrain* ALLELUIA No. 1

*Children ages 3 through completed 3rd graders are welcome to come forward
and be dismissed through the side door for activities following the Peace.*

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

*PASSING OF THE PEACE *read responsively*

The peace of Christ be with you all. **And also with you.**

The Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Acts 4:32–35

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

SECOND READING

1 John 1:1–2:2

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

SERMON

Do the Light Thing

Rev. Andrew Bowman

The Response

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *read in unison*

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. 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

Come, Ye Faithful

R.S. Thatcher

Come, ye faithful, raise the strain of triumphant gladness;
God hath brought his Israel into joy from sadness;
'Tis the spring of souls today, Christ hath burst his prison,
And from three days sleep in death as a sun hath risen.
Now the queen of seasons, bring with the day of splendor,
With the royal feast of feasts, comes its joy to render;
Comes to glad Jerusalem, who with true affection
Welcomes in unwearied strains Jesus' resurrection.
Neither might the gates of death, nor the tomb's dark portal,
Nor the watchers, nor the seal, hold thee as a mortal;
But today amidst the twelve thou didst stand, bestowing
That thy peace which evermore passeth human knowing.
John of Damascus, 8th century; trans. John Mason Neale

*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!**

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...who forever sing to the glory of your name:

HYMN 572

Holy, Holy, Holy

SANCTUS (PAVLECHKO)

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

HYMN 573 *Christ Has Died; Christ Is Risen* MEMORIAL ACCL. (PAVLECHKO)

Gracious God,...now and forever.

HYMN 574 *Amen* AMEN (PAVLECHKO)

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

*All those who trust in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior are invited to take part in the
sacrament. A choice of red wine or white juice is offered. Gluten-free bread is available in cups
on the plates. You are invited to say, as you pass the bread, "Jesus Christ, the Bread of Life"
and as you pass the wine, "Jesus Christ, the Cup of Salvation."*

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION *Meditation on HOUSTON* S. Libra

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SHARING GRACE

MOMENT FOR MISSION: CEDAR RIDGE CAMP

The Sending

*HYMN 377 *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light* HOUSTON

*BLESSING

POSTLUDE *Toccata from Symphony V in F-minor* Charles-Marie Widor

*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 to the glory of God, in honor of all who enter in, by
Ann Macdonald and Ron Ross.

USHERS

Gene Smith, Connie Smith, Linda Watson, Sarah Middleton, Rosemay Palmer-Ball,
Lawrence Palmer-Ball

OUR WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Andrew Bowman, preacher; Rev. Steve Jester, & Rev. Jordan Akin, liturgists;
Ronnie Seale, lay reader

The Sanctuary Choir; Dr. Samuel Libra, Organist & conductor

Evan Vivic, Audiovisual Engineer; William Vivic, camera

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We Lift Up in Prayer

Becky and Amy Peer on the death of mother and grandmother, Jane Spires, 3/7/24.

Jim Baker and family in the death of his wife, Patricia "Patsy", 2/27/24.

DeeDee Davis and her family on the death of her husband, Scott, 2/10/24.

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233 The Day of Resurrection!

1 The day of res - ur - rec - tion! Earth, tell it out a - broad,
 2 Let hearts be purged of e - vil that we may see a - right
 3 Now let the heavens be joy - ful; let earth its song be - gin;

the Pass - o - ver of glad - ness, the Pass - o - ver of God.
 the Lord in rays e - ter - nal of res - ur - rec - tion light,
 the round world keep high tri - umph and all that is there - in.

From death to life e - ter - nal, from sin's do - min - ion free,
 and lis - tening to his ac - cents, may hear, so calm and plain,
 Let all things seen and un - seen their notes of glad - ness blend,

our Christ has brought us o - ver with hymns of vic - to - ry.
 his own "All hail!" and hear - ing, may raise the vic - tor strain.
 for Christ the Lord has ris - en, our joy that has no end.

The roots of this English text come from a mid-8th century Greek hymn that continues to be used in Orthodox churches at the midnight Eucharist marking the beginning of Easter. The tune is named for the county in northwestern England where the composer was then an organist.

377 I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

1 I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to fol - low
2 I want to see the bright-ness of God. I want to look at
3 I'm look-ing for the com - ing of Christ. I want to be with

Je - sus. God set the stars to give light to the world. The
Je - sus. Clear Sun of righ-teous-ness, shine on my path, and
Je - sus. When we have run with pa-tience the race, we

Refrain

star of my life is Je - sus.
show me the way to the Fa - ther. In him there is no dark-ness at
shall know the joy of Je - sus.

all. The night and the day are both a - like. The Lamb is the

light of the cit - y of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

The author/composer of this unrhymed hymn regards it as a meditation and prayer deeply rooted in many scriptures, most connected with the theme of light: Genesis 1:17; Psalm 139:12; Isaiah 60:19; Malachi 4:2; John 14:8; Ephesians 5:8; Hebrews 12:1-2; 1 John 1:5; Revelation 21:23.