

# 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](https://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!*

**Bold type** *is sung or read in unison.*

# *Service for the Lord's Day*

## *The Gathering*

PRELUDE *Piano Trio in C major* Joseph Haydn  
Kevin Murphy, violin; Jonathan Ruckman, cello; Mengfei Xu, piano

WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

PRESENTING THE MEANS OF GRACE

\*HYMN 81 *Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken* AUSTRIAN HYMN  
*Music of Joseph Haydn*

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION *read in unison*

**Faithful God, we confess that our faith sometimes falters, and trusting you is the last thing on our minds. We admit that our choices do not always reflect your purposes for our lives. We often go the easiest way, not your way. Forgive us, O God, when we fail to remember what you want for us. Forgive us when we lose faith in you, and guide us back to your loving presence.**

*Time for silent prayer.*

\*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Let us believe and proclaim this incredible truth:

**Through Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and restored.**

**Thanks be to God! Amen.**

\*RESPONSE

*Glory Be to the Father*

GLORIA PATRI (GREATOR EX)

*Verse*

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost;

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As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be,

12

world with - out end. A - men, A - men.

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE *read responsively*

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

## *The Word*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Luke 12:32-38

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

SECOND READING

Genesis 15:1-6

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

SERMON

*Learning to Walk in the Dark*

Rev. Dr. Kim Clayton

## *The Response*

### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*from A Declaration of Faith 7.6*

The church has its ongoing story with God.

The church's story with God did not end with the latest events recorded in Scripture. Across the centuries the company of believers has continued its pilgrimage with the Lord of history. It is a record of faith and faithlessness, glory and shame.

The church has been persecuted by hostile societies, but it has also known times of privilege and power when it joined forces with dominant cultures. It has sought holiness through separating from society, as well as through involvement in the world's affairs. It has experienced life-giving reformations...but has also periods of dwindling resources and influence.

We confess we are heirs of this whole story. We are charged to remember our past, to be warned and encouraged by it, but not to live it again. Now is the time of our testing as God's story with the church moves forward through us. We are called to live now as God's servants in the service of people everywhere.

Jesus is Lord. He has been Lord from the beginning. He will be Lord at the end. Even now he is Lord.

### 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

*Misericordias Domini, K. 222*

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

The Octet;

Kevin Murphy, violin; Julia Cash, violin;

Cindy Watson, viola; Jonathan Ruckman, cello; Mengfei Xu, organ

*Misericordias Domini in aeternum cantabo.* The mercies of the Lord I will sing forever.

#### \*DOXOLOGY

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SHARING GRACE

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF ELDERS & DEACON

Stephanie Fellon

Morgan Fellon

Kitty deVoogd

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.**

DECLARATION OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATIONS

*The Sending*

\*HYMN 817

*We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight*

DUNLAP'S CREEK

\*BLESSING

POSTLUDE

*Allegro from Organ Concerto in F major, Hob. XVIII 7*

Joseph Haydn

*We are called to go out from our worship to share the grace of the risen Christ with one another and the world.  
You are welcome to remain seated for the postlude or exit quietly.*

## *In Worship Today*

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS are given in loving memory of Betty Reuther and Jim Reuther by their children, Rob and Betsy, and grandson Will.

THE ROSE IN THE CHANCEL is given in celebration of the birth of Henry James Wright to Eric & Kathryn Wright on April 25, 2025.

### USHERS

Henry Kelsey, Leigh Parrot, Roy Bowling, Ann Bowling, David Dorsey, Lee Ann Dorsey

### OUR WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Dr. Kim Clayton, preacher; Rev. Andrew Bowman & Lorie Williamson, liturgists;  
Chip Snyder, Clerk of Session

The Octet; Jim Rittenhouse, conductor; Mengfei Xu, organist

Kevin Murphy, guest violinist, Julia Cash, guest violinist, Cindy Watson, guest violist,  
Jonathan Ruckman, guest cellist

OUR AV TEAM is on vacation this morning. For our online guests, please note that we have offered a general view of the service with no slides for text. Please be sure to have the digital bulletin available.

### THIS MORNING'S MUSIC

*We feature the primary composers of the Classical Period (1750-1820) throughout our service this morning, including the rarely sung work by W.A. Mozart (all of 19-years-old), "Misericordia Domini." Written in 1775 for inclusion in the Catholic Mass by request of the Prince Elector of Bavaria, it contains what many have noted as the seed idea for Beethoven's ODE TO JOY. Our opening hymn is "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken," to the tune AUSTRIAN HYMN of Joseph Haydn. Its inclusion in our 2013 hymnal comes with the reminder that this tune had been co-opted by the Nazi party in Germany in the 1930s, and fell out of favor because of that following WWII. It remains in church history one of the great hymn tunes (and one of the rare ones written by Haydn). Other works by Haydn this morning feature our guest instrumentalists and Mengfei Xu on keyboards.*

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## *We Lift Up in Prayer*

The family of Carol Harper on her death, 07/19/25.

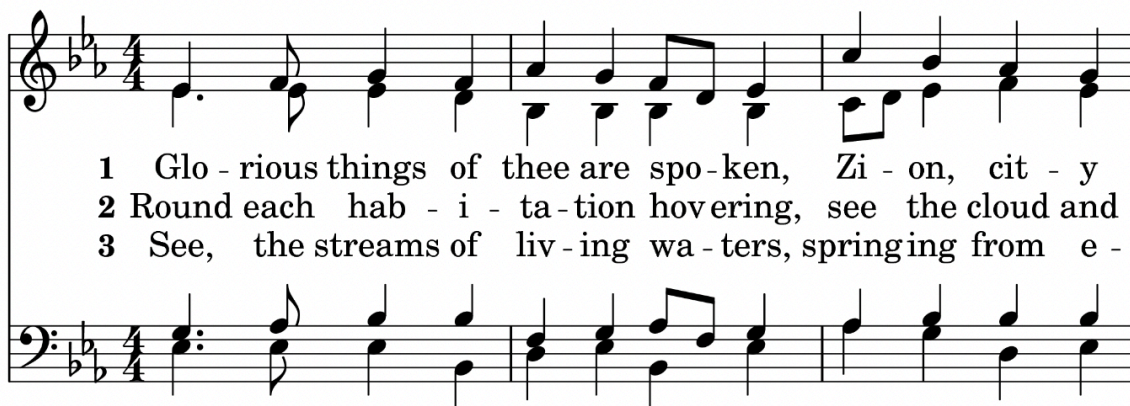
Jane Cleary and family on the death of her sister, Gail Cady, 07/19/25.

Debbe Dedman and family on the death of her brother, Tommy Sharpe, 07/16/2025.

Beverly and David Will, Kelly Will and Matthew Linville, and Vivienne, Naomi, and  
Gwendolyn Linville on the death of brother, uncle, and great uncle Dr. James Richard  
Cundiff, 07/10/25.

Lorri Keeney and family on the death of her husband, Steven, 07/02/25.

## Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken



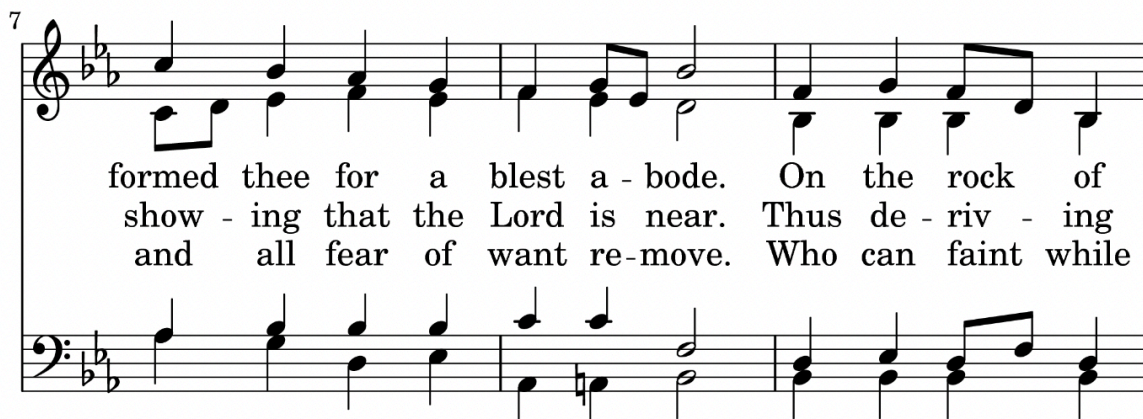
1 Glo - rious things of thee are spo - ken, Zi - on, cit - y  
 2 Round each hab - i - ta - tion hovering, see the cloud and  
 3 See, the streams of liv - ing wa - ters, springing from e -

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of our God. God, whose word can - not be bro - ken,  
 fire ap - pear for a glo - ry and a cov - ering,  
 ter - nal love, well sup - ply thy sons and daugh - ters

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formed thee for a blest a - bode. On the rock of  
 show - ing that the Lord is near. Thus de - riv - ing  
 and all fear of want re - move. Who can faint while

*Glory to God 81*

TEXT: John Newton, 1775, alt.

MUSIC (AUSTRIAN HYMN 8.7.8.7 D): Franz Joseph Haydn, 1797, alt.

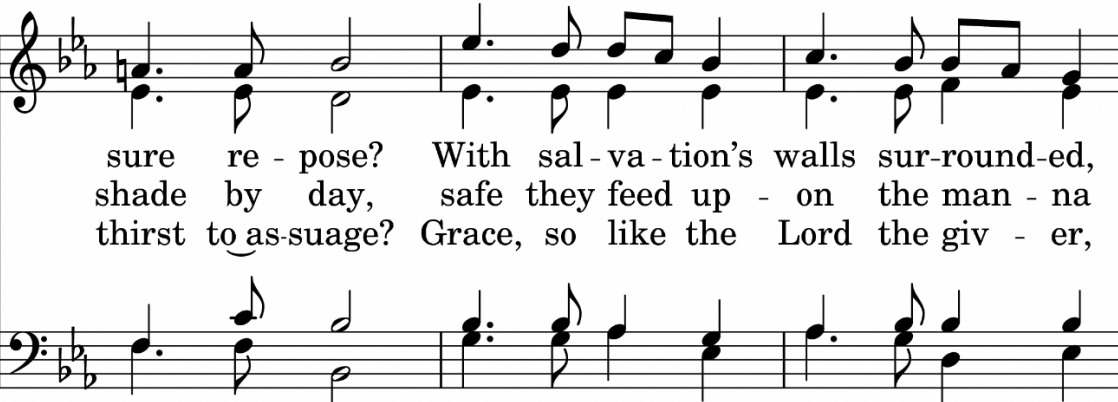


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a - ges found - ed, what can shake thy  
from their ban - ner light by night and  
such a riv - er ev - er flows, their

12



sure re - pose? With sal - va - tion's walls sur-round-ed,  
shade by day, safe they feed up - on the man - na  
thirst to as - suage? Grace, so like the Lord the giv - er,

15




thou may'st smile at all thy foes.  
which God gives them when they pray.  
ne - ver fails from age to age.



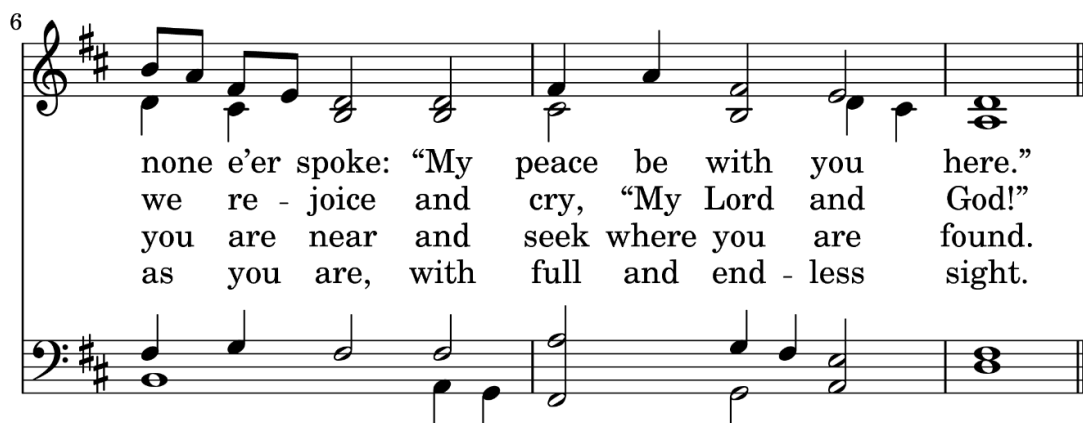
## We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight



1 We walk by faith and not by sight; with  
 2 We may not touch your hands and side, nor  
 3 Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief; and  
 4 And when our life of faith is done, in



3 gra-cious words draw near, O Christ, who spoke as  
 fol - low where you trod; but in your prom-ise  
 may our faith a - bound to call on you when  
 realms of clear - er light may we be - hold you



6 none e'er spoke: "My peace be with you here."  
 we re - joice and cry, "My Lord and God!"  
 you are near and seek where you are found.  
 as you are, with full and end - less sight.

*Guitar chords in Pew Edition do not correspond with keyboard harmony.*

*Glory to God 817*

TEXT: Henry Alford, 1844, alt.

MUSIC (DUNLAP'S CREEK, CM): Samuel McFarland, c. 1814; harm. Richard Proulx, 1986; © 1986 GIA Publications, Inc.

# Announcements

August 10, 2025

## TO OUR VISITORS - Welcome to Second Presbyterian!

Please help us get to know you better by filling out an information card (found in the pew pockets). You are welcome to hand the card to a pastor in the Narthex after the service or place it in the offering plate. *Thank you!*

CHILDCARE/CHILDREN'S CHURCH - Children age 3 and under are welcome to stay in the nursery located in Room 120 of Hilbert Hall, off of the Weekday School Atrium. Older 3's through 3rd grade are encouraged to join Summer Children's Church after the Passing of the Peace. Children can be picked up following worship on the playground or in the Great Hall in the event of inclement weather.

MENGFEI XU in an Organ Concert - Friday, August 15 - 7 p.m. In her first concert on our Casavant Organ, Mengfei will present a wide variety of favorites from across the musical periods. Invite your friends and family for this extraordinary evening sponsored by Music@Second.

SECOND PARTY'S ROARING 20'S will be on Saturday, September 27, at 6:00 p.m.; childcare is available. Tickets are \$75 apiece click here to purchase tickets online: <https://www.2ndpreslou.org/giving/> or scan the QR code. You won't want to miss it! Keep an eye out for updates in Seconds to Go.



CHURCH PICNIC - SAVE THE DATE - Sunday, August 24. See Seconds to Go for more information.

VESPERS@SECOND - Sunday, August 17, 6:30 p.m. in the Chapel Circle. Along with our Vespers worship, we will feature the Celtic World ensemble *Keltricity* (keltricity.com) and share some cool summer treats. Bring a lawnchair and a friend (and a fan!).

SANCTUARY CHOIR BEGINS AUGUST 20, 7 p.m. - Be part of Second's Sanctuary Choir as we discover together the joys of singing and the rich heritage of church music. We meet weekly from 7 to 8:30 p.m., and sing for the 11 a.m. services and special services beginning September 7. Call Jim Rittenhouse at 502-895-3483 x212 for more information.

2PY POOL PARTY - All youth (7-12 graders) are invited to a pool party on Sunday, August 17, from 5-7 pm at the Anderton home (contact the church for the address) as we celebrate the start of the program year. RSVP to Tammy at [tkissling@2ndpreslou.org](mailto:tkissling@2ndpreslou.org).

AUGUST MISSION OF THE MONTH - For the month of August, we are collecting school supplies for Bellewood & Brooklawn. Please see Seconds to Go or the fliers on the information stands throughout the building for a list of requested items.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7 - Pastor Barrett Abernethy will give his first sermon that Sunday, and we will return to two services that day as well: 8:30 am in the Chapel and 11:00 am in the Sanctuary/Live Streamed. Please join us in welcoming the Abernethys.

## Upcoming Events - August 10, 2025

<b>Sunday, August 10</b>	<b><i>Ninth Sunday after Pentecost</i></b>	
9:00 a.m.	Adult Faith Formation	Rooms 251, 252, Parlor, JFH
10:00 a.m.	Service for the Lord's Day	Sanctuary/Live Streamed
	Summer Children's Church	Playground/gym
11:00 a.m.	Meet & Greet with Michael Harper	Youth Suite
11:00 a.m.	SPOT: Busy Needles	Parlor
<b>Monday, August 11</b>		
4:00 p.m.	Caregiver's Group	Zoom
<b>Tuesday, August 12</b>		
1:00 p.m.	Weekday School Board Meeting	Room 251
7:00 p.m.	Sisters in Spirit	Parlor
<b>Thursday, August 14</b>		
1:00 p.m.	SPOT: Mah Jongg	Room 168
<b>Friday, August 15</b>		
7:00 a.m.	Men's Weekly Bible Study	Room 251
7:00 p.m.	Mengfei Xu in Concert	Sanctuary
<b>Sunday, August 17</b>	<b><i>Tenth Sunday after Pentecost - Rev. Dr. Clayton's Final Sunday</i></b>	
9:00 a.m.	Adult Faith Formation	Rooms 251, 252, Parlor, JFH
10:00 a.m.	Service for the Lord's Day	Sanctuary/Live Streamed
	Summer Children's Church	Playground/gym
5:00 p.m.	2PY Pool Party	Offsite
6:30 p.m.	Vespers@Second	Chapel Circle
<b>Tuesday, August 19</b>		
10:00 a.m.	SPOT: Walkers	Offsite
<b>Wednesday, August 20</b>		
10:00 a.m.	SPOT: 2nd Act	Choir Room
7:00 p.m.	Sanctuary Choir	Choir Room/Sanctuary
<b>Thursday, August 21</b>		
1:00 p.m.	SPOT: Mah Jongg	Room 168
<b>Friday, August 22</b>		
7:00 a.m.	Men's Weekly Bible Study	Room 251
<b>Sunday, August 24</b>	<b><i>Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost - Picnic Sunday</i></b>	
9:00 a.m.	Adult Faith Formation	Rooms 251, 252, Parlor, JFH
10:00 a.m.	Service for the Lord's Day	Sanctuary/Live Streamed
	Summer Children's Church	Playground/gym
11:00 a.m.	Picnic	JFH/Great Hall

## *Ruling Elders*

### *Class of 2025*

Michael Beasley  
Paul Costel  
Elaine Duncan  
Bob Horton  
John Hubbard  
Elizabeth Scinta  
Linda Watson

### *Class of 2026*

Miriam Ballert  
Marilyn Duke  
Liz Ratliff Evans  
Lindsey Hundley  
Lucy Kosse  
Deb Vetter  
Whitney Watt

### *Class of 2027*

Ann Bowling  
John Cunningham  
Angela Duffy  
Stephanie Fellon  
Larry Jones  
Justin Powers  
Kyle Wiggins

*Youth Elders:* Morgan Fellon & Wilson Masick

*Clerk:* Chip Snyder

## *Deacons*

### *Class of 2025*

Sandy Bailey, *Clerk*  
Prentice Brown  
Scott Carothers  
Cathy Flowers  
Jane Roth  
Martha Spencer  
Lowell Stevens

### *Class of 2026*

John Davis  
Nathan Dicken  
Glen Hume  
Sissy Judy  
Susan McDowell  
Paige Reinstine  
Kristi Smith

### *Class of 2027*

Kelly Bryant  
Tim Clark  
Kitty deVoogd  
Jim Haynes  
Patrice Paton  
Kay Reis  
Sunny Seale

## *Staff*

Kimberly Clayton *Interim Pastor & Head of Staff*  
Andrew Bowman *Associate Pastor for Community Life*  
Elizabeth Clay *Coordinator for Pastoral Care*  
Karla Wright *Director of the Weekday School*  
Lorie Williamson *Director of Children's & Family Ministry*  
Jim Rittenhouse *Director of Worship & Music Ministry*  
Mengfei Xu *Organist and Assistant Director of Worship & Music*  
Ricky Case *Student Music Coordinator*  
Diane Jackson *Bookkeeper*  
Amy Kiefner *Communications Specialist and Technology Administrator*  
Tammy Kissling *Ministry Coordinator for Faith Formation & Mission*  
Jeremy Doyle *Director of Facilities*  
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