

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.

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With gratitude to God, 2026 moves Second Presbyterian Church one year closer to celebrating our bicentennial milestone. After reflecting on our achievements and evaluating our current mission, we have identified 5 strategic pathways that will help us meet the needs of our congregation in 2030. We invite you to join us on our continued journey to preserve, strengthen, and innovate our community of faith.

Children of God, welcome home!

Thank you for silencing mobile phones and other devices to honor the sanctity of our worship.

** Please stand if you can do so comfortably.*

***Bold** type indicates where we share the liturgy together.*

Service for the Lord's Day

The Gathering

With the sounds of the Prelude the worship service has begun. You are encouraged to use this time for meditation and reflection prior to your participation in the service.

PRELUDE *Herzlich tut mich erfreuen, op. 122 no. 4 (My Heart Rejoices)* Johannes Brahms

WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

MOMENT FOR MISSION - P.A.C.T. *(Portland Ave. Community Trust)* Bill Wade

HYMN SING #1-449 *please use your hymnals*

PRESENTING THE MEANS OF GRACE

*HYMN 14 *For the Beauty of the Earth* DIX

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION *read in unison*

God of Transformative Love, too often we believe we must blindly accept the world as it is, and that we do not have the individual nor collective capacity to witness hopeful change. Because of that, we allow the forces of cynicism and apathy to dwell in our hearts. We often ask God to create in us a clean heart, but only if it is an ally for our partisan values. Because of this we continue to unfortunately afflict the uncomfortable, and further allow the comfortable to enjoy more spoils. Transform us, anew, Great God, and inspire to live out the heart-led faith of Christ who calls us to love our neighbor as we love ourselves. Amen.

Time for silent prayer.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting, and forgiveness is the final form of love.

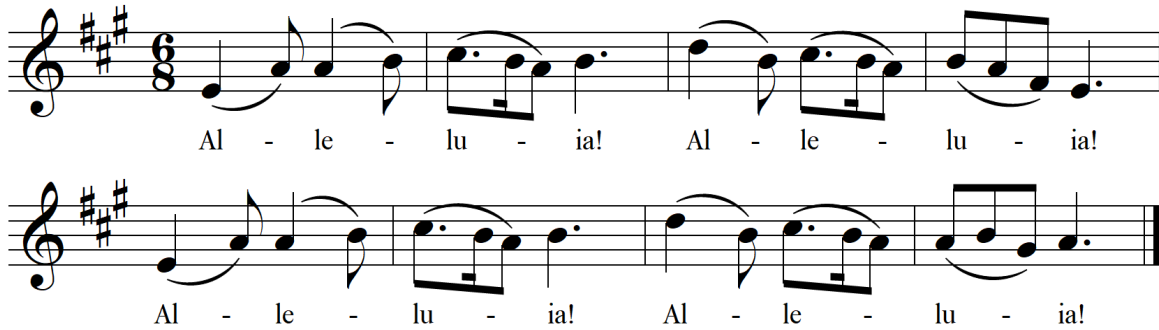
Thanks be to God! Amen.

*RESPONSE

Alleluia!

CELTIC ALLELUIA

Children ages 3 through completed 2nd graders are welcome to come forward and be dismissed through the side door for activities following the Peace. Children can be picked up in the Great Hall or the playground, depending on the weather.



*PASSING OF THE PEACE *read responsively*

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

The Word

SCRIPTURE IN SONG

If Ye Love Me

Paul Mealor (b. 1975)

If Ye Love Me, Keep My Commandments

Thomas Tallis (1505-85)

If ye love me, keep my commandments, and I shall pray the Father,
and he shall give you another comforter, that he may abide with you forever;
Even the spirit of (the) truth. *- John 14:15-17*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Leviticus 19:1-2, 15-18

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

SECOND READING

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

Matthew 22:34-40

SERMON

Stained Glass Saints: Reinhold Niebuhr

Rev. Andrew Bowman

The Response

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *read in unison*

From the Iona Community

We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the church: to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in creation, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God. 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

God, You Made All Things for Singing

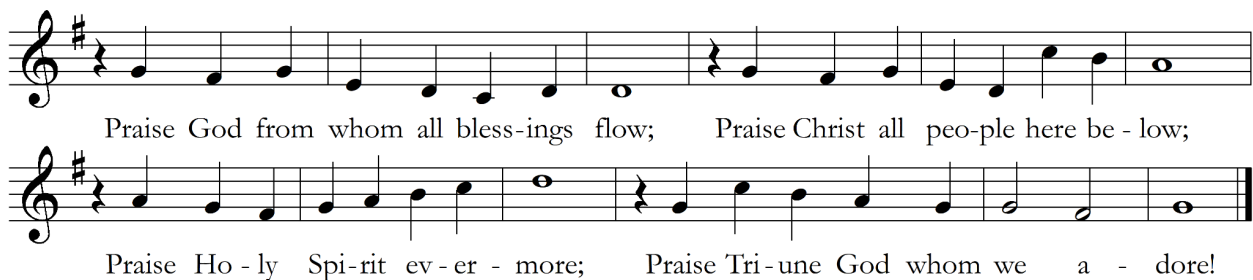
John Ferguson

*God You made all things for singing, even canyons carved from stone.
Thunder sets the hard rock ringing with the hymn the skies intone.
Alleluia alleluia! Yours the praise and yours alone.*

*As the clap and roll of thunder give their rocks the note to start,
Spirit free the songs of wonder waiting in the thankful heart.
Alleluia alleluia! Help each voice to sing its part.*

*Join with us in all our singing. Make our music Lord Your own
Be the bass note deeply ringing. Be the highest overtone.
Alleluia alleluia! Yours the praise and Yours alone.*

*DOXOLOGY 608 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* PRAISE GOD (HOPSON)



Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow; Praise Christ all peo-ple here be - low;
Praise Ho - ly Spi-rit ev - er - more; Praise Tri-une God whom we a - dore!

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SHARING GRACE

SHARING FROM MONTREAT YOUTH WEEK PARTICIPANTS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

*HYMN

Help Us Accept Each Other

AURELIA

(sung to the tune of "The Church's One Foundation")

**Help us accept each other as Christ accepted us;
Teach us as sister, brother, each person to embrace.
Be present, Lord, among us and bring us to believe
We are ourselves accepted, and meant to love and live.**

**Teach us, O Lord, your lessons, as in our daily life
We struggle to be human and search for hope and faith.
Teach us to care for people, for all, not just for some,
to love them as we find them, or as they may become.**

**Let your acceptance change us, so that we may be moved
In living situations to do the truth in love;
To practice your acceptance until we know by heart
The table of forgiveness, and laughter's healing art.**

**Lord, for today's encounters with all who are in need,
Who hunger for acceptance, for justice and for bread,
We need new eyes for seeing, new hands for holding on:
Renew us with your Spirit; Lord, free us; make us one!**

- Fred Kaan, 1974

*BLESSING

POSTLUDE

Improvisation on "The Church's One Foundation"

AUREIA

*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

OUR GRATITUDE is extended to the members of The Sanctuary Choir and The Octet for their service throughout this past program year. These dedicated volunteers and professionals gather each week to rehearse and build community, and then again on Sunday to be our leaders in worship. Though some will continue singing in the Summer Choir, and The Octet will sing throughout the summer, this is our official last Sunday to sing. Please take a moment to give thanks to God for their tireless service and inspiration.

The Sanctuary Choir (Octet*): *Beth Abernethy, Nathan Abernethy, Laura Atkinson*, Mary Ayers, Adrienne Blair, Ricky Case*, Lamoine Cash, Terry Cissell, Dick Clay, Jane Cleary, Jeanne Curtis, Patty Dailey, Stan deVoogd, Linda Dukes, Russell Dunlap*, Chris Ellis, Richard Ellis, Sara Gilford, Jodie Goldberg, Ann Grissom, Karen Hadley, Krista Heckmann*, Jean Herp, Carol Hull, Lindsey Hundley, Clay Kannapell, Jack McKean, Stephanie Mattingly*, Molly Melahn*, Kenneth Oeth*, Harrison Palmer-Ball, Becky Peer, Janet Rittenhouse, David Rummler, Deborah Skaggs, Larry Sloan, Martha Spencer, Jason Steigewalt*, Camille Williams-Neal, & Jesse Wright*

INTRODUCTION TO THE SERMON SERIES “*Stained Glass Saints*”

This summer, we are exploring the Stained Glass Saints that adorn our narthex (lobby) window. The first time I ever laid eyes on this window, I knew it had to be the basis for a sermon series. I was awed by both the beauty as well as the uniqueness of this window that celebrates people from all walks of life. My hope is that you will be equally intrigued. This belief is not new to me. For years I have enjoyed creating sermon series that reveal what is unique within a particular congregation. I believe it roots us to who we are, while also inviting us to imagine how these notes of Godly wisdom inspire our faith beyond these walls.

Since this is summer, each sermon will stand alone, as each will explore a different saint - from Michelangelo to Madame Curie, and from Rembrandt to Reinhold Niebuhr. My hope is that you will see what I suspect former pastor, Rev. Dr. Glenn Dorris, wanted you to see: that God's call upon each and every one of us is full of hope and grace, taking us in different directions, but leading us all to bear witness to the light of resurrection. May we, together, enjoy pondering and gazing into the light God emits through this wonderful window!

— *Pastor Barrett*

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS are given by Evie and Charlie Edinger in honor of their grandchildren - Silas, Gate, and Alden Edinger.

USHERS

Brad Hume, Glen Hume, Elaine Duncan, Tony Duncan, Walter Tucker, Odetta Tucker, Cheeky Bahe

OUR WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Andrew Bowman, preacher; Rev. Barrett Abernethy, liturgist; Angela Duffy, lay reader

The Sanctuary Choir; Jim Rittenhouse, conductor; Mengfei Xu, organist

William Vicic, Audiovisual Engineer

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We Lift Up in Prayer

The family and friends of Elizabeth Haynes on her death, 6/7/26.

Sondra Curth and family on the death of her husband, David Curth, 6/7/26.

Jennifer, Chip, Cole and Mac Hancock on the death of Jennifer's mother,

Glenna B. Hamilton, 5/01/26.

Gordon and Marilyn Duke on the death of his sister-in-law, Betty Duke, 4/29/26.

Gordon and Marilyn Duke on the death of their niece, Brenda Whorley, 4/21/26.

Jason Steigerwalt, Laura Atkinson, and family on the death of his father, Philip Steigerwalt,
4/17/26.

Odetta and Walt Tucker and family on the death of her brother, Larry Burke, 4/15/26.

Margaret Cregor Radford on the death of her brother, Llewellyn Spears, 4/13/26.

Terry Cissell on the death of her brother, John Harper, 4/4/26.

Cheryl Cooper & family on the death of her husband, Walter Crutcher, 4/1/26.

Mark Your Calendars for These Churchwide Events!

June 21, 6:30 p.m. on Chapel Circle - Vespers@Second - *Keltricity* Irish Band

June 22-26 - Smiley Camp (Registration still open)

June 24 & July 15, 7-8 p.m. - Summer Choir Rehearsals

July 6-10 - VBS (Registration still open)

July 27-29, 5-7:30 p.m. - Summer Music Blast (for potty-trained 3's to rising 5th graders)

For the Beauty of the Earth 14

1 For the beau - ty of the earth, for the glo - ry of the skies,
 2 For the won - der of each hour of the day and of the night,
 3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de - light,
 4 For the joy of hu - man love, broth - er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,
 5 For thy - self, best gift di - vine to the world so free - ly given;

for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies:
 hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light:
 for the mys - tic har - mo - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight:
 friends on earth, and friends a - bove, for all gen - tle thoughts and mild:
 for that great, great love of thine, peace on earth and joy in heaven:

Refrain

Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grate - ful praise.

In the course of many revisions, the original eucharistic emphasis of this text has shifted to a hymn of thanksgiving for a wide range of human experience, with a Christological summation. It is set here to the tune that is customary in North America, though not elsewhere.

Ruling Elders

Class of 2026

Vacant

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

Class of 2028

Caroline Dicken
Mary Clay Edinger
Priss Hovious
Crystal Kannapell
Henry Kelsey
Alexandra Ortiz
Larry Sloan

Youth Elders: Scott Davis & Lillian Powers

Clerk: Chip Snyder

Deacons

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

Class of 2028

Cheeky Bahe
Mac Barr
Lee Best
Terry Cissell
Sara Gilford
Nick Hertzman
John Williams

Staff

Barrett Abernethy *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*

Michael Harper *Coordinator for Youth Ministry*

Mengfei Xu *Organist and Assistant Director of Worship & Music*

Amy Kiefner *Communications Specialist and Technology Administrator*

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