

# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

The Third Sunday in Lent

March 7, 2021 – 11:00 a.m.

## THE GATHERING

### PRELUDE

"Sarabande" from *Baroques*  
Samuel Libra, organ

Seth Bingham

### WELCOME

### PRESENTING THE MEANS OF GRACE

### \*HYMN

*Come, Sing to God with All Your Heart*  
Stanzas 1 - 3  
*Hymn can be found on page 6*

MORNING SONG

### \*CALL TO CONFESSION

Rev. Jordan Akin

### \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(Read in unison)*

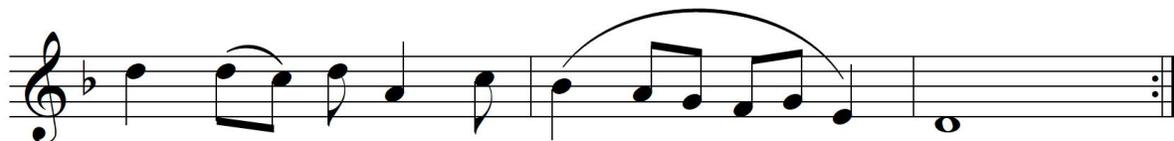
Loving and merciful One, we thank you for this community in which you have placed us, for the brothers and sisters with whom we walk this journey. Yet, we confess that we fail to love as you love. We are quick to share our own stories while we ignore the stories of others, quick to celebrate our own victories while slow to celebrate with those closest to us. We push aside those whom we believe are the least in your Kingdom. Form in us a new vision of community in which there is neither East nor West, neither South nor North. Challenge our assumptions, instill in us a holy disease until all have heard your story. For the sake of your Kingdom that is and is not yet.

*(Time for silent prayer)*

### \*KYRIE



Lord have mer-cy up - on us. Lord have mer-cy up - on us.



Lord have mer-cy up - on us.

### \*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

**\*RESPONSE**

*(to the tune of "Jesus Shall Reign")*

DUKE STREET

**May God forever be our peace; may hymns of glory never cease:  
Let all the faithful people come; sing praise to God, the Three-in-One.**

## THE WORD

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

Rev. Jordan Akin

**FIRST READING**

1 Timothy 1:12-17

**GOSPEL READING**

Luke 15:8-10

**SERMON**

*Over the Top*

Rev. Steve Jester

## THE RESPONSE

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

*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.**

**ANTHEM**

*Come, Ye Disconsolate*  
The Octet

Ethan McGrath

Come, ye disconsolate, where'er ye languish. Come to the mercy seat, fervently kneel.  
Here bring your wounded hearts, here tell your anguish; Earth has no sorrow that heav'n cannot heal.

Joy of the desolate, light of the straying, Hope of the penitent, fadeless and pure!  
Here speaks the Comforter, tenderly saying, Earth has no sorrow that heav'n cannot cure.

Here see the Bread of Life, see waters flowing Forth from the throne of God, pure from above.  
Come to the feast of love; come, ever knowing Earth has no sorrow but heav'n can remove.

*-Thomas Moore; adapted by Thomas Hastings, 1831*

## SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

### INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.**

With joy we praise you, gracious God ... whole creation to proclaim the glory of your name:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

You are holy ... we proclaim our faith together.

**Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

God of all power ... the prayer you taught us saying,

**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

#### COMMUNION MUSIC

*Let Us Break Bread Together*  
Kenneth Oeth, soloist; The Octet

arr. Leo Nestor

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

### SHARING GRACE

## THE SENDING

#### \*HYMN 716

*God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending*  
*Hymn can be found on page 7*

BEACH SPRING

#### \*BENEDICTION

#### POSTLUDE

"Voluntary" from *Baroques*

Seth Bingham

# IN WORSHIP TODAY

**SHARING GRACE THROUGH GIVING:** We welcome you to visit our Giving page on our website, [www.2ndpreslou.org/giving](http://www.2ndpreslou.org/giving) to fulfill your pledges and offer your financial support for the ongoing ministries of Second Presbyterian Church. You can also give toward the COVID-19 Relief Fund. Giving by text message is also available: Text 844-584-2059 or by using the Venmo app and enter the amount you wish to donate. Thank you for your faithful support!

## OUR MUSIC AND PRODUCTION

The Octet of the Sanctuary Choir; Samuel Libra, Organist  
Evan Vicic, Audio/Video Engineer; Virginia Fortner, Visuals Editor; Kurt and Will Dierking, Camera  
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## WE LIFT UP IN PRAYER

Debbie Kelsey and her family on the death of her father, Dr. Edward Crawford Hightower, Jr. 2/23/21.  
Cathy and John Hollander, their daughters, Emily Bowling and Sara Zoeller, and their families on the death of Cathy's mother, Linda Crump, 2/14/21.  
Kitty deVoogd and her family on the death of her mother, Kay Billingham, 1/30/21.  
Larry Jones and his family on the death of his mother, Morel Jones, 1/28/21.  
Cathy and Tim Martin and their daughter, Lindsay Martin Cook, and their families on the death of Cathy's father, Robert Plank McCrea, and Tim's brother, Dennis Eugene Martin, both on 1/28/21.  
Hugh Dukes and his family on the death of his brother, 1/25/21.  
Jim Haynes and his family on the death of his sister, Ann Borrett, 1/13/21.  
The family of former Pastor Glenn Dorris on the death of his wife, Frances, 1/11/21.  
Nancy Thomas, her daughter and son-in-law on the death of his mother, Denise Wong. 1/6/21.  
Kitty Keeley and her family on the death of her son, Ches Keeley, 1/4/21  
Nancy Nesbitt and her family on the death of her husband, Chuck Nesbitt, 1/1/21.

## THE MINISTRY TEAM

Rev. Steven P. Jester, Pastor	Keith DeCosta, Sexton
Rev. Nathan Sautter, Associate Pastor for Community Life	Samuel Libra, DMA, Organist
Rev. Jordan Akin, Associate Pastor for Youth	Christina Recktenwald, Children's Choirs Co-Coordinator
Jim Rittenhouse, Director of Worship and Music Ministries	Ricky Case, Children's Choirs Co-Coordinator
Lorie Williamson, Director of Children's Ministries	Elizabeth Clay, Parish Associate
Hayley Abell, Director of Weekday School	Jackie Grimley, Bookkeeper
Lisa Bickett, Pastoral Assistant	Virginia Fortner, Worship and Music Assistant
Chelsea Beasley, Formation Assistant	Rev. Samuel Oboamah Asiedu, Seminary Intern
Beth Haendiges, Community Life Assistant	Paula S. Roberts, Organist Emerita

## UPCOMING EVENTS: Week of March 7, 2021

**Mission of the Month - Buckhorn Children and Family Services** - The mission of Buckhorn Children and Family Services is to provide a sanctuary of health, healing, and hope for at-risk children, youth, and families. Located in the scenic Appalachian Mountains of eastern Kentucky, their residential campuses in Buckhorn and Pine Ridge offer secure, compassionate, and therapeutic communities to kids. Here they will know that they are somewhere safe, different, and special. Please drop off donations under the portico (use any type bag or box) any time Sunday or during office hours through the week. Requested items include toiletry items, laundry aids, bedding and towels, and some school supplies. Please see Seconds to Go for a detailed list.

**Sunday School** - March's Sunday School will be based the story of Moses. Please take the time to have a movie night at home with your family. For middle to older elementary aged children, I suggest the movie "Prince of Egypt" while younger elementary and preschool may enjoy the Veggie Tales movie, "Moe and the Big Exit." Both movies will support discussion of the Jewish tradition of Passover and how that tradition fits with Easter. Craft bags will be available in their usual spot underneath the portico beginning Sunday March 7th. Videos will be sent out each Sunday through the Children's newsletter, 2PK and will be on the Church's website under the resources tab the following week.

**Second Cup** - Today at noon, following the 11 a.m. online service. We will be discussing Scripture and the sermon from Worship together. Join us for this time of fellowship! Look for more information in this week's Seconds to Go.

**Stories from El Salvador** – Join Pastor Nathan and Joy after worship on Sunday, March 14, at 12:30 p.m. on Zoom for an update from our mission partners in El Salvador.

**Costa Rica Mission Trip** This summer 2021, Second Presbyterian is planning a trip to visit our mission partners in Costa Rica. If you are interested in attending and would like more information, please contact Chelsea Beasley at [cbeasley@2ndpreslou.org](mailto:cbeasley@2ndpreslou.org). Deadline is March 31.

**Open Gym** takes place each Tuesday evening from 7 p.m. - 9 p.m. for grades 4 and up. Kickball, badminton, floor hockey, volleyball, ultimate soccer are all possibilities for this night of fun. Use door number 6, by the chapel, for entry. Fourth & 5th grade parents are asked to stay during the first open gym your child attends. For more information contact Jordan Akin at [jakin@2ndpreslou.org](mailto:jakin@2ndpreslou.org) or Lorie Williamson at [lwilliamson@2ndpreslou.org](mailto:lwilliamson@2ndpreslou.org)

**Lunch Bunch** will take place on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month from 12:00-1:00 for children in grades 4 and up. Lunch is provided, so join us for a time to hang out and just be together in the Youth Suite! Enter through the office door (door 2) to sign in and for temperature check. Masks must be worn when not eating. Please contact Chelsea Beasley at [cbeasley@2ndpreslou.org](mailto:cbeasley@2ndpreslou.org) to sign up.

**Wednesdays Together continues** this month. In our next three weeks, music will be included as part of our Children's "Learning Together," and all children and children's choir members are invited to learn a song for a special Palm Sunday video that will be taped March 24. The song can be learned by accessing our Children's Choir playlist on YouTube 2ndpreslou. Reservations are required for Wednesdays Together by noon on Monday. See the reminder in Seconds to Go, or contact Chelsea Beasley at [cbeasley@2ndpreslou.org](mailto:cbeasley@2ndpreslou.org).

The **Morning Joy** weekday Bible study began January 7: "Luke's Jesus: A Thematic Study of The Gospel According to Luke." Morning Joy meets on Thursdays at 9:45 a.m. via Zoom. The link appears in Seconds to Go. If you would like to be on the Zoom mailing list, please contact Chelsea Beasley at [cbeasley@2ndpreslou.org](mailto:cbeasley@2ndpreslou.org) or call her at 895-3483.

**Lenten Recital Series - Virtual - Thursday, March 11 at Noon on YouTube 2ndpreslou** - We have the opportunity to hear *Pergolesi's Stabat Mater* - Meditations on the Passion from the perspective of Mary, with Emily Yocum Black, soprano; Laura Atkinson, mezzo-soprano; and Samuel Libra, harpsichord. One of the more haunting texts of Christian history, the *Stabat Mater* is a 13th-century meditation on the agony of Christ's mother as she weeps at the foot of his cross. Italian composer Giovanni Battista Pergolesi composed this setting in the 18th century, interweaving two female voices with instrumental accompaniment in a work that both delights and devastates.

# 9C Come, Sing to God with All Your Heart

Fm E<sup>b</sup> Fm

1 Come, sing to God with all your heart; give  
 2 For, Ho - ly One, you take our part; your  
 3 You are a shel - ter for the poor, a

C7 Fm

thanks to God, Most High, who makes the ruth - less  
 ways are al - ways just. You stop the ty - rants  
 strong-hold in dis - tress. You care for all who

Cm7 Fm D<sup>b</sup> Cm7 Fm

fall from power and res - cues those who cry.  
 in their tracks and turn their names to dust.  
 trust in you and all who are op - pressed.

# God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending 716

Capo 3: (D) (Bm) (G)  
F Dm B $\flat$

1 God, whose giv - ing knows no end - ing, from your rich and  
2 Skills and time are ours for press - ing toward the goals of  
3 Trea - sure, too, you have en - trust - ed, gain through powers your

(D) (Bm)  
F Dm

end - less store, na - ture's won - der, Je - sus' wis - dom, cost - ly  
Christ, your Son: all at peace in health and free - dom, rac - es  
grace con - ferred: ours to use for home and kin - dred, and to

(G) (D) (A)  
B $\flat$  F C

cross, grave's shat - tered door: gift - ed by you, we turn  
joined, the church made one. Now di - rect our dai - ly  
spread the gos - pel word. O - pen wide our hands in

(Bm) (F $\sharp$ m) (Bm) (G) (A) (D)  
Dm Am Dm B $\flat$  C F

to you, of - fer - ing up our - selves in praise; thank - ful song shall  
la - bor, lest we strive for self a - lone. Born with tal - ents,  
shar - ing, as we heed Christ's age - less call, heal - ing, teach - ing,

(Bm) (G) (D)  
Dm B $\flat$  F

rise for - ev - er, gra - cious do - nor of our days.  
make us ser - vants fit to an - swer at your throne.  
and re - claim - ing, serv - ing you by lov - ing all.

*Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.*

This text on stewardship was one of about 450 submissions in a search for such hymns conducted by the Hymn Society of America in 1961. These words are well grounded by their musical setting, an early American shape note tune named for a Baptist church in Harris County, Georgia.