SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

The Seventh Sunday after Epiphany

THE GATHERING

WELCOME

PRELUDE

VATER UNSER IM HIMMELREICH

Georg Böhm

February 20, 2022

CALL TO WORSHIP

11 a.m. INTROIT

Our Father, Lord of Heaven and Earth

VATER UNSER, arr. J.S. Bach

The Sanctuary Choir

Our Father, Lord of Heaven and Earth, Let praise and honor clothe your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done; Throughout the world complete your reign. Teach us, O Lord, to trust in you, For bread and breath each day anew. Amen.

PRESENTING THE MEANS OF GRACE 11 a.m.

*HYMN 307

vss. 1–3

CWM RHONDDA

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** read in unison

God, our heavenly father, we confess that we are more eager to receive your mercy than we are to extend your kindness to others. We ask for what we need without considering whether we have what someone else needs. We seek your forgiveness, but hold grudges against others. We want you to lead us, but only if you will send us where we want to go. Give us clear minds and open hearts so we may witness to you in our world; so that we choose to give you more than we think we can spare; to forgive even those who have yet to ask for forgiveness; to follow you wherever you choose to lead us.

Time for silent prayer.

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*RESPONSE 307

God of Grace and God of Glory

vs. 4: Save us from weak resignation to the evils we deplore. Let the gift of thy salvation be our glory evermore. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, serving thee whom we adore, serving thee whom we adore.

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

11 a.m. Children ages 3 through completed 3rd graders are welcome to come forward and be dismissed through the side door for activities.

God of Grace and God of Glory

CWM RHONDDA

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

SECOND READING

SERMON

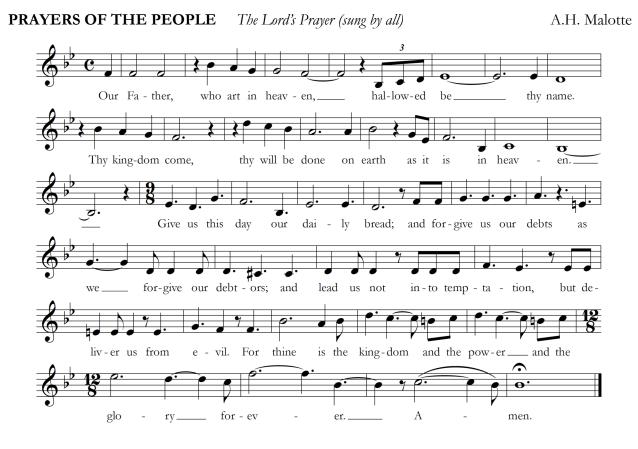
The Very Best Life

THE RESPONSE

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH read in unison

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.

SHARING GRACE



Matthew 6:7–14

1 Kings 8:22-30

Rev. Steve Jester

Apostles' Creed

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Please see the information on the inside of the front cover of the bulletin about ways to give. You are invited to pass the Friendship Pad found at the end of the pew.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive DETROIT, arr. David Ashley White The Octet (8:30 a.m.) and The Sanctuary Choir (11 a.m.) text can be found at #444 in the Glory to God hymnal

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

THE SENDING

*HYMN 3	372 O for a World	Azmon
	vss. 1, 3, & 5	
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POSTLUI	DE Praeludium in C-major	Böhm
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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 loving memory of a very special man, Dick Anderson, from all those who loved him.

USHERS 8:30 a.m.: Bonnie Boram, Larry Boram

11:00 a.m.: Henry Kelsey, Jim Carneal, Penny Carneal, Sallye Pence, Linda Watson

OUR WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Steve Jester, preacher; Rev. Jordan Akin, liturgist; Emily Lawrence, lay reader

The Octet (8:30 a.m.); The Sanctuary Choir (11:00 a.m.); Jim Rittenhouse, Director; Samuel Libra, Organist; Evan Vicic, audio/video engineer; Brandon Hughes, camera

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WE LIFT UP IN PRAYER

James ("Scotty") McArthur, Jim and David McArthur and their family on the death of their wife and mother, Linda McArthur, 2/16/22.

Russ Dunlap and his family on the death of his sister, Betsy Dunlap, 2/16/22.

Patti Strickler and her family on the death of her husband, Frank, 2/8/22.

Jim and Joe Seiler and their family on the death of their mother, Louise Seiler, 2/7/22.

The family and friends of Dorothy Wilkey on her death, 1/28/22.

Nancy Helm Thomas and her family in the death of her sister, Louise Helm Bessire, 1/25/22.

Betty Gibbs and her family on the death of her husband, George, 1/23/22.

David Wood and his family on the death of his sister, Becky DeCamp.

Patty Dailey and her family on the death of her sister-in-law, Vickie Wimsatt-Dailey 1/12/22 & mother-in-law, Nanette Dailey 1/23/22.

Stuart Ferguson and his family on the death of his brother, Bruce, 12/22/21.

CHILDCARE: Childcare is available in room 117 for children ages 5 and under during 9:00 Worship and for children ages 3 and under for the 11:00 Worship. Room 117 is in Hilbert Hall, adjacent to the Weekday School Atrium, entrance #1 or #9. Parents may pick up their children from the lower-level educational space after 11:00 Worship has ended. Educational space is best accessed through the double doors near the Narthex marked 2PK. PreK–3rd grade: rooms 150–154. 4th & 5th grade: room 180

KidCheck is a secure children's check-in system that enhances your provider's security system and simplifies the check-in process. KidCheck helps ensure no one can pick up your child without your consent. Signing up for KidCheck is easy and free for parents, guardians, and workers! Visit https://go.kidcheck.com or download the KidCheck app on an iOS or Android device. Stations can be found at the nursery outside Hilbert Hall and in the Common Space near door 6. For you and your child/ren's safety, beginning today, all doors except for door 3 and the main Sanctuary doors will be locked at 11:15. Please use one of these entrances if you will be arriving after this time.

NAMETAGS: We encourage all who come to worship each week to make a nametag so we can continue to welcome guests, and encourage our fellowship together. Look for the tags and markers at the entrances.

MISSION/STEWARDSHIP REPORT

FINANCES: Four-year summary for the MAP (Ministry Action Plan) - essentially our budget.

Year	# of pledges	MAP pledges	Amount pledged	Amount received	MAP non-pledge	Non- pledge income	Mission MAP
2019	285	\$1,300,000	\$1,224,660	\$1,255,771	\$135,000	\$158,653	\$223,700
2020	295	\$1,300,000	\$1,315,064	\$1,341,122	\$135,000	\$1111,348	\$223,700
2021	279	\$1,350,000	\$1,347,185	\$1,348,892	\$95,000	\$147,729	\$250,000
2022	278	\$1,350,000	\$1,284,490	\$306,269	\$95,000	\$7,030	\$250,000

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE: Of note, for the last three years, there has been more money received than what was actually pledged.

MISSION COMMITTEE: There are new members on our committee that have made us aware of local ministries, doing great work that need our help. Each of our partners has a "champion" on the committee who checks in monthly and monitors needs that we can address. One of our wonderful mission partners, Kentucky Refugee Ministry, has exciting news that a family member, Eh Themoo Po, has been accepted to attend Centre College Second is truly blessed with the giving of time, talent, and wealth.

- The Mission and Stewardship Committee

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY FLOWERS FOR WORSHIP: Anyone interested in providing Chancel flowers in honor or memory may contact Susanne Wright (sjwright@iglou.com) or Nancy Hubbard (502-939-5744).

MISSION OF THE MONTH: UNITED CRESCENT HILL MINISTRIES

Our February mission of the month is United Crescent Hill Ministries. They need non-perishable food items and hygiene products for their community pantry, including: canned chicken & tuna, tomato sauce, peanut butter, macaroni & cheese, canned soup, hand/dish soap, shampoo, tooth paste & brushes, laundry detergent, and toilet paper. Please drop items off in the Mission Closet on Sundays or during church hours. Thank you!

UPCOMING EVENTS: Week of February 20, 2022

YOUTH

Youth Worship Arts is today at 12:15 (lunch at 12) in the Youth Suite.

Open Gym is Tuesday, February 22, 7-9 p.m.

The next High School Girl's Bible Study will be Thursday, March 10 at 8:00 p.m. at the Lyles residence.

WEDNESDAYS TOGETHER continues on Wednesdays from 5–7 p.m. Dinner will be served from 5–6 p.m. in the Great Hall. There will be a Bible Study for adults taught by Pastor Steve and Pastor Jordan, 6–7 p.m. Music and Vocal education for ages 3 through 5th grade will begin at 5:30 p.m. with childcare or activities to follow. Reservations are needed by noon on Monday of each week for the meals. Contact Chelsea at cbeasley@2ndpreslou.org to make a reservation. There is a suggested donation of \$5 per person with a \$15 family cap for the meal.

MORNING JOY continues on **Thursdays at 9:45 a.m.** Pastor Steve Jester will lead the study entitled, "Challenging Teachings of Jesus," focusing on teachings from all four Gospels that push us and stretch us to grow as Christ's disciples. Participants can attend in-person in Fellowship Hall where masks are strongly encouraged. If interested in joining us virtually, please contact Chelsea Beasley (cbeasley@2ndpreslou.org) for Zoom info. All are welcome!

FREE VACCINATION CLINIC AT SECOND

LouVax Mobile is hosting a COVID-19 vaccine clinic at Second on **Saturday, Feb. 26, 10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.** The clinic will offer free COVID-19 vaccines (first, second, and booster doses). Moderna and Pfizer vaccines will be available to those who are eligible. See Seconds to Go for a link to make an appointment; walk-ins are also welcome. Residents ages 5 and older are eligible to be vaccinated. A parent or guardian must be present for anyone under the age of 12. Parental or guardian consent can be given for individuals ages 12–17. You do not need insurance, a social security number, or an ID. Medical staff will be available on site to address questions or concerns about the vaccines. Additional community vaccine locations can be found at www.louisvilleky.gov or by calling the Lou Health COVID Helpline at 502-912-8598.

PATHWAYS

On February 27, Dr. Pollard, President of Louisville Seminary will be speaking at Pathways during the 9:30 a.m. Sunday School hour. All are welcome to attend!

ASH WEDNESDAY

We begin the season of Lent on Wednesday, March 2nd at 6:30 p.m. with a traditional service including the imposition of ashes in the Chapel. Starting at 6:00 p.m., the Chapel will be open for contemplation and prayer with reflective music by Jonathan Ruckman, cellist. There is no Wednesdays Together on this night.

FELLOWSHIP & DISCOVERY WITH OUR AFRICAN AMERICAN CHURCHES - On each Saturday in March, you are invited to hear the stories, history, and heritage of each of the four African American congregations in the Mid-KY Presbytery. All events are from 10-11:30 a.m. and require social distancing and masking: March 5 - Grace Hope; March 12 - Shawnee; March 19 - Peace; March 19 -Westwood. More information in Seconds to Go.

SPLENDOR OF THE BAROQUE - March 13, 3 p.m. Live and Live-streamed! An afternoon of the best of the Baroque, with our Choir, Octet, Guest soloists and Chamber Baroque Orchestra. Free!

COSTA RICA MISSION TRIP - July 1-9, 2022: Cost is \$1,500, and a \$250 deposit is due by March 13. Contact Rev. Jordan Akin for more information: <u>jakin@2ndpreslou.org</u>, or 895-3483.

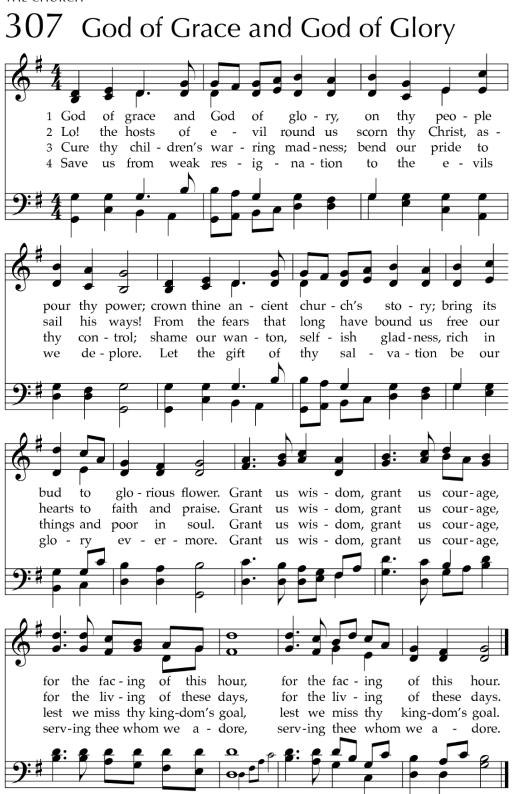
THE MINISTRY TEAM

Rev. Steven P. Jester, Pastor
Rev. Jordan Akin, Associate Pastor for Youth
Jim Rittenhouse, Director of Worship and Music Ministries
Hayley Abell, Director of Weekday School
Lisa Bickett, Pastoral Assistant
Keith DeCosta, Sexton
Samuel Libra, DMA, Organist & Communications Assistant

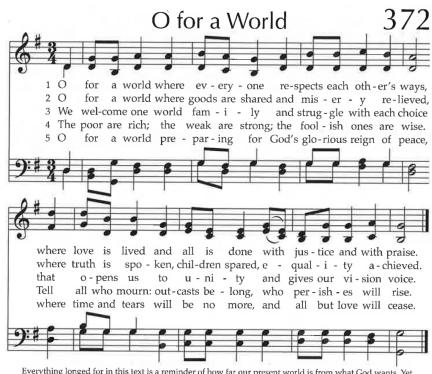


Tanner Williams, Receptionist & Administrative Assistant Christina Recktenwald, Children's Choirs Co-Coordinator Ricky Case, Children's Choirs Co-Coordinator Amy Heckmann, Childcare Coordinator Elizabeth Clay, Parish Associate Jackie Grimley, Bookkeeper Paula S. Roberts, Organist Emerita

3701 Old Brownsboro Rd. Louisville, KY 40207 <u>www.2ndpreslou.org</u> 502-895-3483 THE CHURCH



This stirring hymn used at the opening of Riverside Church in New York in 1930 was penned by its widelyknown and influential pastor, and it has gained a firm place in English-language hymnals around the world. The Welsh tune name honors the Rhondda Valley in Glamorganshire.



Everything longed for in this text is a reminder of how far our present world is from what God wants. Yet this is not just wishful thinking; it is a call to action, a summons to participate in the fulfillment of God's desire for all earth's people to live in radical shalom.

TEXT: Miriam Therese Winter, 1987 MUSIC: Carl Gotthelf Gläser, 1828; arr. Lowell Mason, 1839 Text © 1990 Medical Mission Sisters

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