

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 register as a guest and receive information 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.*

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 "Allegro" from *Sonata V in C-major*, BWV 529 J.S. Bach

WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

INTROIT *We Sing to You, O God* DARWALL'S 148TH

We sing to you, O God, the Rock who gave us birth,
let our rejoicing sing your name in all the earth.
To you, O God, let songs be raised in joyful hymns, our feast of praise.
Gracia Grindal

PRESENTING THE MEANS OF GRACE

*HYMN 35 *Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty* LOBE DEN HERREN

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION *read in unison*

Almighty God, we acknowledge and confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed; by what we have done and what we have not done; we have not loved you with all of our heart, soul, mind, and strength; we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. Convict us of our need, and convince us of your grace, that we may bear witness to Christ in our lives.

Time for silent prayer.

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*RESPONSE HYMN 172 *Blest Are They, refrain* BLEST ARE THEY

Re - joi - ce and be glad! Bless - ed are you,
ho - ly are you. Re - joi - ce and be glad!
Yours is the king - dom of God.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

MUSICAL MEDITATION *There's a Little Wheel a-Turning*

traditional

Chapel & Carol Choirs

arr. K. Guilmartin

*Children ages 3 through completed 3rd graders are welcome to come forward
and be dismissed through the side door for activities after the choirs have finished.*

The Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING *read responsively*

Psalm 119:1–8

Happy are those whose way is blameless, who walk in the law of the LORD.

**Happy are those who keep his decrees, who seek him with their whole
heart, who also do no wrong, but walk in his ways.**

You have commanded your precepts to be kept diligently.

O that my ways may be steadfast in keeping your statutes!

Then I shall not be put to shame, having my eyes fixed on all your
commandments.

**I will praise you with an upright heart, when I learn your righteous
ordinances.**

I will observe your statutes; do not utterly forsake me.

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

SECOND READING

Deuteronomy 30:15–20

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

SERMON

A Gift or a Burden

Rev. Jordan Akin

The Response

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF ELDERS AND DEACONS

TO BE INSTALLED AS A DEACON

Sandy Bailey | Prentice Brown | Jane Roth | Martha Spencer

TO BE INSTALLED AS AN ELDER

Mike Beasley | Bob Horton | Elizabeth Scinta | Linda Watson

*PROFESSION *read responsively*

The Apostles' Creed

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

I believe 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.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

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.

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

You are invited to pass the Friendship Pad found at the end of the pew.

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

Sing Praise to Him

MIT FREUDEN ZART

Text can be found at #645 in the Glory to God hymnal.

ARR. Mack Wilberg

*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!**

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

SHARING GRACE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *read in unison*

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

God, You Gather Us for Worship

BEACH SPRING

God, you gather us for worship,
children of your matchless love;
bringing hopes and expectations,
seeking wisdom from above.
Give us glimpses of your mercy,
let your glory crown our days;
hearts made whole respond with gladness,
silent tongues with songs of praise.

Word of God, alive and moving
in our calls to ministry,
speak to us through ageless prophets,
teach us who we ought to be.
Show us by divine example
justice borne in righteousness;
shed your light among the shadows,
ever hold and ever bless.

May the God of grace be with us,
guide our steps along the way;
may the loving Christ attend us
in our work and in our play.
May the Holy Spirit fill us,
boundless joy to own, to share;
Three in One, now and forever,
bless us here and everywhere.

*BLESSING

POSTLUDE

Trumpet Tune on LOBE DEN HERREN

Paul Manz

*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 and in memory of Delphia Rittenhouse and Virginia Baxter, and in honor of Janet Rittenhouse by grateful son, son-in-law, and husband, Jim.

USHERS

Emily Lawrence, Phillip Anderton, Jack Anderton, Chuck Dobbins, Joey Dobbins, Jane Roth, Avery Summers

OUR WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Jordan Akin, preacher; Rev. Steve Jester, & Rev. Rich Gianzero, liturgists;
Vic Baltzell, lay reader

The Sanctuary Choir; Jim Rittenhouse, Director; Samuel Libra, Organist

Chapel Choir; Christina Recktenwald & Ricky Case, co-directors:

Elizabeth Arton, Millie Baltzell, James Bennett, Olivia Bennett, Joshua Cook, Bebe Davis, May Davis, Una Donan, Vaughan Duncan, Lucy Farnsley, Charlee Hayden, Sylvia Masick, Chappell Mayer, Nora Steigerwalt, Briggs Tyler

Carol Choir; Krista Mueller, director:

Amelia Beck, Charlie Davis, Piper Farnsley, Ellie Farnsley, Isabelle Hayden, Avani Hoffmann, Teddy Mayer, Coral Mueller, Miriam Ransan, George Sandman, Evelyn Steigerwalt, McClain Watkins

Evan Vivic, Audiovisual Engineer; Elliott Nichols, Technology Coordinator

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We Lift Up in Prayer

The family and friends of Alice Virginia Dodd on her death, 2/4/23.

Cathy Cole Irvin, Cole Irvin, Brittany Cartwright, and Bill Cole on the death of her daughter, their sister, and his niece, Shelley Louise Irvin, 1/12/2022.

Bob Nast and Laura Hood and their family on the death of wife and mother, Jane Nast, 1/11/23.

Bob Horton and his family on the death of his wife, Rae, 1/11/23.

Heather Campbell and her family on the death of her husband, Chris, 1/9/23.

Becky Lyles and her family on the death of her mother, Martha Sanderson Bryant, 12/30/22.

The family and friends of Jane McAdoo on her death, 12/24/22.

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35 Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

1 Praise ye the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
 2 Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so won-drous - ly
 3 Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me a -

a - tion! O my soul, praise him, for he is thy
 reign - eth, shel - ters thee un - der his wings, yea, so
 dore him! All that hath life and breath, come now with

health and sal - va - tion! All ye who hear, now to his
 gen - tly sus - tain - eth! Hast thou not seen how thy de -
 prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his

tem - ple draw near; join me in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
 sires e'er have been grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?
 peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for aye we a - dore him.

This very strong 17th-century German hymn employs many phrases from the psalms, especially Psalms 150 and 103:1-6. It did not receive an effective English translation until the mid-19th century, but has remained popular ever since, thanks in part to its stirring tune.