



Sharing grace...

Worship at Second Presbyterian Church
August 15, 2021 - 11:00 a.m.

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, and this is Christ's place with its doors open wide. If you are passing through, Godspeed; 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 our various ministries, or to contact our office for more information about our faith community.



REGISTER

If you are new to Second Presbyterian or would like to share a prayer concern, please scan this code to fill out our online Friendship pad.



THANK YOU for silencing mobile phones or any other devices to honor the sanctity of our worship.

SHARING GRACE THROUGH GIVING: We welcome you to visit our Giving page on our website, www.2ndpreslou.org/giving to fulfill your pledges and offer your financial support for the ongoing ministries of Second Presbyterian Church. When you scan this QR code, it will direct you to the giving page of our website. Giving by text message is also available: Text 844-584-2059 or by using the Vanco app and enter the amount you wish to donate. Envelopes are also available from the Ushers. Thank you for your faithful support!



GIVE

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

August 11, 2021 – 11:00 a.m.

THE GATHERING

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Ciacona in E-minor, BuxWV 160
Samuel Libra, organ

Dieterich Buxtehude

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."

*HYMN 239

Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing
Stanzas 1, 3, and 4

GELOBT SEI GOTT

*CALL TO CONFESSION

Rev. Jordan Akin

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(Read Responsively)*

Almighty God, we confess how hard it is to be your people. You call out to us to be the church, to continue the mission of Jesus Christ to our lonely and confused world. Yet we acknowledge there are times we fail to listen and respond to your call. We are reminded often of your love for us through the death of Jesus Christ. Yet, sometimes we fail to acknowledge the magnitude and significance of these events. Gracious Lord, have mercy upon us and forgive our sins. Remove the obstacles preventing us from being your representatives to a broken world. Awaken our hearts to the promised gift of your indwelling Spirit. This we pray in Jesus' powerful name.

(Time for silent prayer)

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*THE PEACE OF CHRIST

All children are invited forward for the Moment for Children. Children ages 3 through completed 3rd graders will be dismissed through the side door for childcare and activities. Completed 4th & 5th graders are encouraged to remain in Worship.

***RESPONSE**

Gathered in God's Name

Michael Burkhardt

Soloist sings stanza; Congregation sings refrain when invited:

Refrain

with great joy!

Gath-ered from near and far, — gath-ered in this ho-ly place,
gath-ered as strang-ers and friends, gath-ered and gift-ed by grace.
Gath - ered in God's name — 'round the liv ing Word.
Gath - ered as one fam'-ly — in the name of love,
in the name of love, *slowing* in the name of love.

THE WORD

MOMENT FOR CHILDREN

Lorie Williamson

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Rev. Steve Jester

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 16

MUSICAL REFLECTION

Ain'-a That Good News
The Octet

William L. Dawson

NEW TESTAMENT READING

1 Corinthians 15:1-12

SERMON

Fix You

Rev. Nathan Sautter

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.

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

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

OFFERTORY

Song of Peace

Jean Langlais

*DOXOLOGY 609

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Hal Hopson

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore!

SHARING GRACE

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 485

We Know That Christ Is Raised

ENGELBERG

*BLESSING

*CHORAL RESPONSE

Most Noble Light

Craig Hella Johnson

*Most noble Light, Creation's face, How should we
live but joined in You? Remain within Your saving
grace through all we say and do.*

*And know You are the Love that moves the sun
and all the stars? O Love that dwells, O Love that
burns in ev'ry human heart*

*We are called to go out from our worship to share the grace of God with one another and the world.
The congregation is invited to the Fellowship Hall for a Welcome Reception for our Organist, Samuel Libra.*

*Please stand if you can do so comfortably. **Bold** text indicates congregational participation.

August 12 Protocol Update:

The church's Re-opening Task Group, consistent with CDC and Presbytery advice, emphasizes that regardless of vaccination status, wearing masks while gathering inside the building is strongly encouraged.

All individuals are strongly encouraged to mask for their own protection and as an additional layer of protection for those around them. Children masking or not masking for indoor activities is left to the discretion of parents or other guardians.

The Task Group, composed of active elders, at-large members, and members of the church staff, will continue to monitor the situation and meet regularly to recommend any necessary changes.

IN WORSHIP TODAY

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS for today are given in loving memory of Dorothea H. Donley by her son and family who are Barker, Joan, Keaton, and Natalie Price.

USHERS: Emily Lawrence, John Son, Bonnie Stone, Joe Gathright, Holly Gathright

OUR MUSIC AND PRODUCTION:

Octet of the Sanctuary Choir; Samuel Libra, piano and organ

Evan Vivic, Audio/Video Engineer; James Seiler, camera; Virginia Fortner, Visuals Editor

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WE LIFT UP IN PRAYER

Becky Shaw and her family on the death of her brother, Judd Shaw, 8/4/2021

The family and friends of Mary McDaniel on her death, 7/18/2021.

Carol McCarty and her family on the death of her brother-in-law, Everett Trivisono, 7/12/2021.

UPCOMING EVENTS: Week of August 15, 2021

Welcome Reception for Samuel Libra - The Music Committee is pleased to invite everyone to officially welcome Samuel Libra, our Organist, **after the 11 a.m. service today** in Fellowship Hall. Samuel has served beautifully in these transitional months since the beginning of the year. We are excited to be able to actually gather and get to know him and let him know our appreciation of his gifts and spirit.

SANCTUARY CHOIR resumes August 18, 7 p.m. - The Choir meets weekly on Wednesday night, and leads worship at our Sanctuary services each week, along with the special Advent and Holy Week observances. We encourage you to join us if you love music and fellowship, and have a desire to serve God with your voice. Please call Jim Rittenhouse at 895-3483 ext 212 for more information to join.

Parent's Night Out - Children birth through 5th grade are invited to pack a dinner and join us on August 21, 5pm-8:30 for Parent's Night Out. Please contact Amy Heckmann, Childcare Coordinator at aheckmann@2ndpreslou.org to reserve your spot.

AUSTIN MEMORIAL HANDBELLS resumes August 24, 7 p.m. - All who are interested in joining Austin Bells, our premiere choir who leads us in worship throughout the year, are welcome. We do have some spots available. If you are interested, please call Jim at 895-3483 x212.

HANDBELL WORKSHOP with Angela Hampton - Saturday, August 28. We are excited to have regional handbell clinician, Angela Hampton for a morning of learning for new handbell ringers and seasoned alike. From 9-10:15 a.m., ANYONE who has an interest, or who has played and would love more skill training can join us. At 10:15, our Austin Bells will be meeting for more intensive work. **TRY US OUT!** See the sign up in Seconds to Go, or call Jim at 895-3483 x212.

SECOND'S CHURCH FAMILY REUNION - On Sunday, August 22, from 11 a.m.- 5 p.m. we invite you to come together at Cedar Ridge for an all-day church reunion including worship, fellowship, food and fun! We will worship under the cedars at 11 a.m., enjoy a fellowship lunch from Mark's BBQ at Hopkin's Hall afterwards, and the remainder of the day will be open to various activities such as swimming, hiking, Hymn Sing, gaga ball, fishing, and canoeing on the Cedar Ridge campus. More information and the opportunity to RSVP for lunch will be sent out in Seconds to Go.

THE MINISTRY TEAM

Rev. Steven P. Jester, Pastor

Rev. Nathan Sautter, Associate Pastor for
Community Life

Rev. Jordan Akin, Associate Pastor for Youth
Jim Rittenhouse, Director of Worship and
Music Ministries

Lorie Williamson, Director of Children's
Ministries

Hayley Abell, Director of Weekday School

Lisa Bickett, Pastoral Assistant

Virginia Fortner, Formation and Worship Assistant

Beth Haendiges, Community Life Assistant

Keith DeCosta, Sexton

Samuel Libra, DMA, Organist

Christina Recktenwald, Children's Choirs
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Ricky Case, Children's Choirs Co-Coordinator

Amy Heckmann, Childcare Coordinator

Elizabeth Clay, Parish Associate

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