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Sharing grace ...

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Our Mission:

*Sharing the grace of God
 with one another and the
 world around us.*



I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. Philippians 1:3-7

Dear Friends,

It has been a privilege to be one of your pastors for the past six years, and we are already missing our time with you and serving among you. However, as Scripture reminds us, there is a season for everything: a time to begin, a time to end, and a time to transition. It is in the midst of transition that we find ourselves these past several weeks.

It turns out that Utah is not close to Kentucky, and we have been busy with all the details of the move. We were able to sell our house in Louisville and purchase a home in Sandy, UT not far from our new congregation. The moving van picked up our things on the last day of September, and we began the migration out West. However, I will be taking the month of October as a mini sabbatical before I begin my ministry at Cottonwood Presbyterian on November 1st. We leave October 4th to visit the Huertas family and the congregation in Tres Rios, Costa Rica where we will spend two weeks. Then Joy will return to the US while I will continue on to El Salvador to spend a week with our brothers and sisters at the Reformed Church and in Rosario de Mora. My hope is that I might be a bit more fluent in my Spanish by the time I arrive.

I am grateful for the ways Second Presbyterian helped to shape my ministry and facilitate the relationships with our brothers and sisters in Central America, which has deeply impacted my own faith and understanding of God. Mostly though, I am grateful for how Second has loved Joy and me so well and shared God’s grace with us. Thank you for the outpouring of love on our last Sunday together. We were both amazed and so grateful for everyone who got up and spoke about us and for each gift we received both, serious and funny, and a special thanks to Jennifer Scott for pulling it all together!

Thank you to everyone who took the time to write us a note, email, text or call to say goodbye and thank you. We are grateful for our time together and for all the ways God’s Spirit worked in and through us as we sought to follow that same Spirit together. I know that Second will continue to follow the Spirit as you seek to share God’s grace with one another and the world around you, and I am confident, like the Apostle Paul, that “the one who began a good work in you will bring it to completion.”

Grace and peace,
former Associate Pastor Nathan and Joy Sautter



SECOND PRESBYTERIAN
Music Ministries



**Sanctuary Choir Prepares for Special Seasons Ahead
 Every Wednesday, 7-8:30 p.m.**

*Our Choir has been faithful in rehearsal and in singing for services in September and October. We have begun rehearsing for our Reformation Sunday, All Saints Sunday, and our Advent/Christmas Music. If you are interested in singing with us, please **email Jim at jrittenhouse@2ndpreslou.org**. See our upcoming worship services below!*



Austin Bells Presents Special 9/11 Piece

Our Austin Bells began earlier than usual to be able to present "Prayer for Piece," a composition by Michael Helman in honor of those lost in the horrific violence of 9/11 on our Service September 12. The piece began with 4 agonizing chords depicting the 4 planes that crashed that day, but resolved with beautifully lyric and harmonic chords. Special thanks to Bonnie Boram for bringing this beautiful piece to us, and for all our players for their commitment.



Upcoming
WORSHIP

9 a.m. in Chapel
 11 a.m. in Sanctuary
 unless noted

October 10 and 17

Our Octet and Sanctuary Choir; Samuel Libra, organ

October 24

Our Octet and Sanctuary Choir; Samuel Libra, organ
 Our Cherub/Carol and Chapel Choirs at 11 a.m.

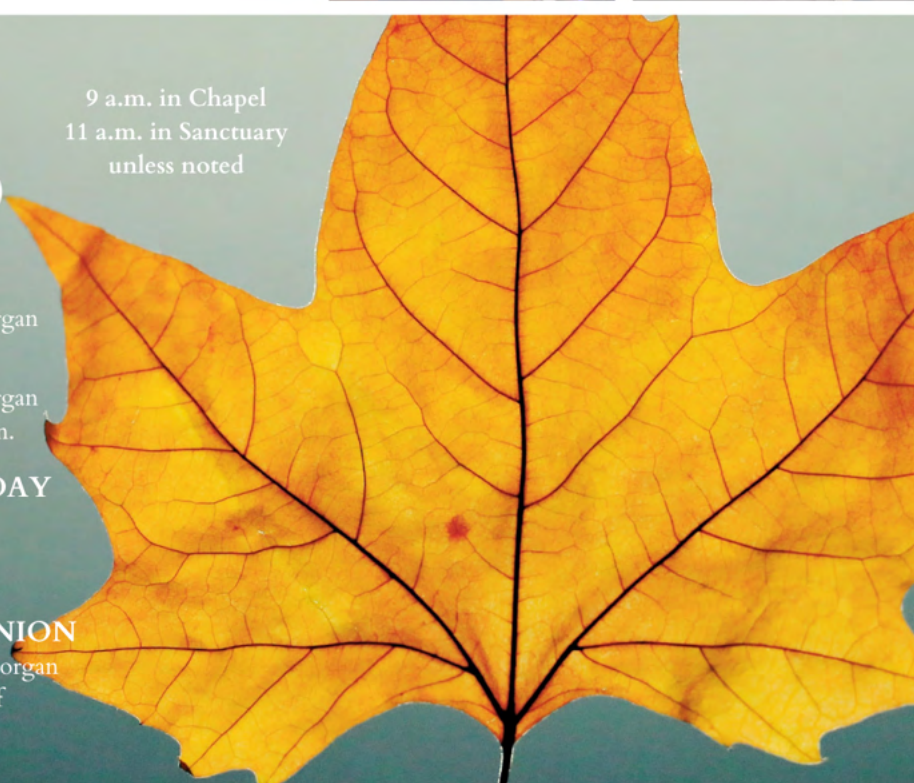
October 31: REFORMATION SUNDAY

BOTH SERVICES IN SANCTUARY

Our Sanctuary Choir, Austin Handbells;
 Samuel Libra, organ; and Brass Ensemble

November 7: ALL SAINTS COMMUNION

Our Octet and Sanctuary Choir; Samuel Libra, organ
 and Chamber Ensemble present sections of
 Faure's REQUIEM



KALEIDOSCOPE GALA

THIS SUNDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2021
2:45 P.M. TALK - DANIEL GILLIAM
CONCERT - 3 P.M.



Musicians of Second Presbyterian Church, with Guest artists Jamie Monck, De'Quan Tunstull, and Deborah Dierks

**ALL PERFORMANCES ARE FREE * PERFORMED LIVE IN THE SANCTUARY
LIVESTREAMED ON YOUTUBE 2NDPRESLOU**

Freewill Offerings Benefit:



**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2021 * 7 P.M.**



KEN COWAN ORGANIST

Ken Cowan is regarded as one of North America's finest concert organists and praised for his dazzling artistry, impeccable technique, and imaginative programming by audiences and critics alike. A specialist at dramatically rendering orchestral works on the organ, Ken performs in major concert venues in America, Canada, Europe, and Asia. Second Presbyterian's magnificent 48-rank Casavant organ will be featured.

ORGAN WORKSHOP * NOVEMBER 20, 10:30 AM CO-SPONSORED BY LOUISVILLE AGO



Our Kaleidoscope program is free for all thanks to the generosity of our Concert Series donors. Any donation you make supports the work of Bellewood & Brooklawn. You can donate to them directly at <https://bellewoodandbrooklawn.org/donate> and write "2nd Pres. Concert" in the "Honor or Memory" box.

Bellewood & Brooklawn's mission is to heal the hearts and minds of Kentucky's most vulnerable youth and their families. Through a comprehensive continuum of care ranging from in-home services and outpatient care to residential treatment and therapeutic foster care, Bellewood & Brooklawn works to reduce disruption in children's lives, help them heal from the effects of abuse and neglect, and promote wellbeing among families.

CONCERT SERIES DONORS

We are grateful for the support of our many patrons—some who have given in memory and honor of those who have loved the music programs of Second Presbyterian or who have given specifically for the 2021–2022 Concert Series. These gifts ensure our Series continues to offer inspiring music that glorifies God, and that we can continue to take our day-of-concert offerings to our ministry partners. (as of October 4, 2021)

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Gifts in Memory or Honor

In memory of Harvey E. Groskreutz by Jean Groskreutz

In memory of Gorman Roberts and Ross & Reba Snodderly
 by Jeff & Paula Roberts

In memory of Bartow Willingham by Emily Willingham



The Music Program Endowment Fund; The Judith Brown Music and Mission Fund;
 The Rosemary Schwartzel Music Fund; The Memorial funds of Tinsley Campbell,
 Katie Castner, Ellie McCandless, and Ellington Bartow ("Bart") Willingham

children & youth



Children's & Confirmation Bibles

On two Sundays in September, we celebrated our youth and children by presenting them with special Bibles. Our fourth graders are pictured above, Confirmands below.



2PK Calendar of Events

- Oct. 9 Parents with young children Meet Up 10:00-11:30 a.m.
- Oct. 23 Parent's Night Out
- Oct. 27 Wednesdays Together "Halloween Edition"

2PK/2PY on Sunday



- Birth-young 3's
Childcare in Hilbert Hall
- 3 years (by 8/1)-3rd grade
begin in 11 a.m. Worship each Sunday, then dismissed to:
3's-K: Room 153
1st-3rd: Rooms 151 & 152
- 4th-12th grades
1st Sunday: Join 11 a.m. Worship
2nd-4th Sundays: Youth Suite @ 11 a.m.
Every Sunday: Youth Worship Arts @ noon

2PY Calendar of Events

- Oct. 3 Youth sit together in 11 a.m. worship
- Oct. 10, 17, & 24 Faith Formation at 11:00 a.m.
- Oct. 31 Youth sit together in 11 a.m. worship for Reformation Day
- Nov. 4 HS Girl's Bible Study at 8:00 p.m.
- Nov. 5 Evening event, TBA
- Nov. 7 HS Montreat \$100 deposit due
Youth sit together in 11 a.m. worship

Parent's Night Out

October 23rd 5:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. \$15 per child \$25 Family Cap

Pack a dinner and have the kiddos birth - 5th grade join us for a fun filled night of crafts, gym time, story telling and more!

Contact Amy Heckmann at aheckmann@2ndpreslou.org by Monday, October 18th with questions and to reserve your spot!





What is KidCheck?

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. **More information about KidCheck can be found at www.kidcheck.com.**

Key Benefits



Child Safety

- Easily create and update a list of who can (and cannot) pick up your children
- Upload photos of children and guardians for added security
- Provide medical and allergy information and alerts



Secure Information

- No one sees you or your child's information until you check-in to their facility
- KidCheck uses the same secure data technology as banks to keep your information safe
- KidCheck never asks for personal identification such as Social Security numbers, credit cards or banking information, and we never sell the information we do gather



Convenient

- Speedy check-in - simply input your 10 digit phone number
- KidCheck is web-based, so you can create and access your account from anywhere
- Text message notifications when your child is checked in and out, or in case of emergency

Account Setup Instructions

Signing up for KidCheck is easy and free for parents, guardians, and workers!

Sign-up

1. Visit <https://go.kidcheck.com> or **download the KidCheck app** on a mobile device
2. Select the link to create a free KidCheck account
3. Fill in the requested fields, and agree to the terms of use



Adding Children and Guardians

** If you are a volunteer/employee only, and have no kids to add, you may skip these steps*

1. Locate the "Kids" tab. Select the link to add a new child, and input your child's information and upload photos. Select the save button when you are done.
2. Locate the "Guardians" tab. This is where you will input additional guardians whom you would like to be able to pick up the children you've listed. Add their information and upload photos. Remember to click save when you are done.

adult faith formation

Zoom links to adult education programs can be found in *Seconds to Go*.

You may also contact the church office: vfortner@2ndpreslou.org or 502-895-3483.

Biblical Studies

The class is led by Dr. Acton Ostling, Jr. and meets in-person on Sundays at **9:30 a.m.** in Room 252. If interested in receiving the announcements or emails, whether or not you are a regular member, please email Dr. Ostling at lingjr@twc.com. For more information about the class, visit the Adult Education page on our website. This fall, the class will be dealing mainly with the figure of the historical Paul. The stories in the Acts of the Apostles seem to be imaginative expansions on hints from his authentic letters. What can be gleaned from what Paul himself says in his letters?

Pathways

Led by Elizabeth Clay, the Pathways class meets on Sunday mornings at 10:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall A and via ZOOM. Pathways is a group of folks who enjoy thinking and talking about life, faith, the Bible, and the intersection of the three. Please come join us!

Reading the Bible

Dr. Marty Soards of Louisville Presbyterian Seminary leads this class on Sundays at 9:45 a.m. in the Parlor and on ZOOM. If interested in joining, or if you have any questions, please email marion.soards@att.net.

Race Matters

The "Race Matters" Film Fellowship Group was formed in Spring 2020 after the deaths of George Floyd and Brianna Taylor, and as a response to the growing national consciousness of race and race relations. We meet to consider the ways in which racial consciousness has been represented in the 21st century and historically, back through the 20th century and beyond. We use film to mediate our conversations, keeping "focus" not on our own beliefs and opinions, but instead on what we experience and discover in watching it and exploring its context. This helps keep alive our basic goals to seek understanding, both communally and supportively. We discuss films for their subject matter and also as art, which often takes us into another (aesthetic) area of discovery. Most recently, we are beginning to explore some basic tenets of Critical Race Theory, arguments for and against, as they relate to the films we view. All are welcome to drop in anytime: currently we have been meeting by Zoom but anticipate in-person meetings as well. If you are a movie lover, stop by and join us! Meetings are held every other Monday at 7 p.m. (contact: Karen Hadley, hadley@louisville.edu)

2nd Sunday

2nd Sunday is for parents of children from birth through teenage years. The class meets on the second Sunday of each month and deals with issues facing young parents trying to raise faithful children in this tumultuous and ever-changing world. Class members share experiences and ideas, to help each other find ways to make God the center of our families. The class will meet on Zoom August 8 at 10 a.m. with moderators Lee and Vic Baltzell.

Our next session is October 10 at 9:45 a.m. in Rm 251. Childcare will be provided.

Sisters in Spirit

Sisters in Spirit's next meeting will be hosted by Jeanne Curtis (2500 Glenmary Ave. #201 in the Highlands) on Tuesday, October 12 at 7:00 p.m. We will discuss Week Six of *Discerning the Voice of God*.

For more information, contact the church at 503-895-3482 or slibra@2ndpreslou.org.

Men's Bible Study

Men's Bible Study meets via Zoom at 7 a.m. on Friday mornings. Dr. Marty Soards, Professor of New Testament Studies at Louisville Seminary, is leading an overview of the New Testament using Commonly Misunderstood Verses of the Bible by Robert E. Van Voorst.

Caregivers Group Monday, October 11th at 4:00 p.m.

The "Care for the Caregiver" monthly Zoom meeting is held on the second Monday of the month. The next meeting is October 11th at 4 p.m. If you are interested in joining or learning more, please contact the church office or Deacon Cathy Hollander.



Thursday Mornings @ 9:45 a.m.

The fall session of our Thursday morning Bible study, Morning Joy, is underway, and we hope you will join us! Pastor Steve Jester lead us through the 'Challenging Teachings of Jesus,' taking a close look at teachings of Jesus from the four Gospels that push and stretch us to grow as disciples. Individuals can participate in person, meeting in Fellowship Hall. Social distancing and masks are encouraged. A Zoom option is also available.

If you have not participated in the past, please email vfortner@2ndpreslou.org to sign up so that we can add you to our roster and be sure that you will get the Zoom link as well as any updates.

Please contact Elizabeth Clay efclay412@gmail.com with any questions. We look forward to seeing you soon!

WEDNESDAYS
Together

Fall Schedule

Sept. 15–Nov. 17, 5:00–7:00 p.m.

5:00–6:00 p.m. Dinner in the Fellowship Hall

- Dinner will be served individually packed as boxed meals. We will be eating dinner in family units, and there will also be some tables available for those who come by themselves to sit among one or two friends.
- Reservations are needed by Monday at noon of each week. Contact Virginia at vfortner@2ndpreslou.org to make a reservation.
- There is a suggested donation of \$5 per person with a \$15 family cap for the meal.

6:00–7:00 p.m. Adult Education

One adult class will be offered this season, taught by Pastor Steve and Pastor Jordan in the Library.

5:30 p.m. Children's Choir: Music and Vocal Education for Ages 3 through 5th Grade

- 5:30 p.m. Choirs Meet
 - 6:00 p.m. Cherub/Carol Choir (3-K) to activities
 - 6:15 p.m. Chapel Choir (1st-5th) to activities
- After choirs, children will either be released to childcare or to gym or mission activities led by our Children's Ministries.

Registration links for children's choirs are available in 2PK Newsletter and Seconds To Go

Need more info? Email Christina Recktenwald at christinabrecktenwald@gmail.com or Ricky Case at rlcase01@gmail.com

Mission



The Mission Committee has chosen the West End School for our October Mission of the Month.

West End School has the mission of providing a safe, structured environment in which academic rigor, character development and responsible action establish the foundation for a purposeful life. Their program seeks to level the playing field so that our students have access to quality education, enrichment opportunities and future academic and career prospects.

Founded in 2005 with only three middle school students, West End School has grown over the past thirteen years into a school which now serves up to 150 boys and is fully accredited by the Independent School Association of the Central States (ISACS).

Through the school's rigorous academic and personal standards, they encourage their students to attain the highest possible level of scholarship, character, and intellectual growth. Members of Second provide and serve lunch once a month to the day school students.

We can continue to support them with donations of:

- Face masks (preferably kid's size)
- Gift cards (\$200 ea.—weekday dinner for 60 people). e.g. Chik-fil-A, McAllisters, Famous Recipe, pizza, etc.
- Game Stop gift cards (\$10 ea.)
- Basketballs (leather, size 28.5 or 29.5)
- Laundry detergent
- Dryer sheets
- Paper towels
- Headphones
- Liquid soap
- Lysol Spray
- Cases of small water bottles
- Rolls of white butcher paper
- Toothbrushes & toothpaste
- Graph paper
- Staplers and staples

Thank you for your support of this important cause.
Larry Sloan, Mission Committee Chair



Second Pres held it's first Free Vaccine Clinic at South Louisville Community Ministries. LouVax Mobile set up the outdoor medical clinic under tents with the help of the National Guard.

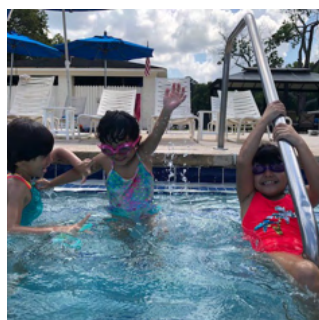
Please contact Sue (scoutrogers@yahoo.com) or Martha (mnpecceu@yahoo.com) to join the list of volunteers for clinics Oct. 7 & 8.



from the Refugee Committee



Hamassa Amiri entertaining herself at the DMV while her Mom takes a driving permit test.



The Amiri girls cooling and pooling.



Dinner with the Amiri and friends.



Baby Andisha and Khatul.

... *"Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Whoever becomes humble like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me."* Matthew 18:4-5

To date, Second has welcomed and equipped more than 20 refugees: children, parents, families, and individuals. Many have experienced brutality, persecution, and loss; some have spent years in camps. They arrive in the U.S. with few possessions and seek a safe place from which to rebuild their lives.

Second's partner, KY Refugee Ministries, anticipated 200 Afghan refugees in family groups would arrive in September. Second Pres is scheduled to receive the first of these families for a co-sponsorship; arrival could happen any day.

We know now that the family will be 4-5 people and they will be SIV's (Special Immigration Status), like the Amiri family was. This means that all their paperwork is complete and the path is paved for work visas, social security and medical cards through KRM. Maha Kolko, our partner at KRM, tells us the immediate needs will be food, clothing, and medical care. KRM is working fast to secure an apartment for the family.

Currently, we are preparing household items and furnishings. We need helping hands and open hearts as we continue this vital mission. Join us! Contact Martha (mnpeccu@yahoo.com) or Kathy (Kathy@oyler.net).

News from Past Refugees:

- Our Congolese sister, Genreuse, is an intern at KRM, as she works toward her degree in social work. Her sister Judith is working to become a dental hygienist and their extended family is enjoying the home they purchased.
- Many thanks to Martha Spencer, Lamar & Joan Gaston and Susanne Wright for the NEW clothing they provided to Elizabeth Borgan and her two daughters. They are Salvadoran refugees who needed temporary help due to Covid. We also provided two months back rent after Elizabeth lost her job. She is now working at a factory and is more stable financially. Thank you, Stan DeVoogd, for translating and more.
- Khatul Amiri, our Afghan mother, is studying to re-take her driver's permit test. Raees Amiri's brother, his wife and three children evacuated Afghanistan in August. The hope is that they will arrive safely in Louisville to reunite with family.



Each year, Mid-Kentucky churches join together to build a home with Habitat for Humanity of Metro Louisville.

Church members are pictured to the left, taken in early September, as they volunteered to help build a house for David, the future homeowner of the build.

from left to right:
John and Allison Davis, Patrick Farnan, and Pastor Jordan Akin.

from the Weekday School

Zooming in on a Small Moment: A Walk After the Rain

It started off with a small group of children in our Blended 2/3 classroom staring out the Orange Room windows, watching a group of toddlers outside. It had rained all morning, and the sky was dark and gray. One of their teachers, Kristen Hayden, noticed the group gathered by the windows, and walked over, curious to see what was interesting to them. One child remarked, "It stopped raining." Kristen looked out the windows and said, "It has stopped. It would be pretty fun to go outside now. Would you like to put your boots on and go for a walk?" The children scrambled down from the couch and over to their hooks where their boots rested under their bags. Reyna and Nora plopped on the floor, taking their shoes off one at a time. Nora had two Velcro straps to contend with, so she asked for help at first. With guidance, she pulled one up and then the other, and dug her heel into the floor to pull the shoe off her foot. Silas removed his shoes and asked for a hand to help him stay balanced as he stood up and wrestled his foot into his floppy, orange boot. Once all boots and rain jackets were donned, the class was ready to move into the hallway and out the front door.



As they ventured outside, the first discovery made was a giant puddle in the parking lot by the Fairy Tree. The Orange Room friends immediately began jumping up and down in the puddle. They at first jumped in unison. Then, Anderson started hopping on one foot in the water. Kristen noticed his change and said, "Whoa, Anderson is jumping on one foot. That is harder to do. Let's try it!" The splashing became a physical challenge that several children were eager to take on. Others moved a little farther out into the parking lot, hunting for more puddles and testing out how much water splashed when they jumped in them. Bea, Nora and Charlotte spied a tiny puddle in a tire stand and experimented to see if it could be splashed in.

Eventually, Kristen invited them to follow her on a different kind of hunt: "I want to show you my favorite tree to find acorns." Silas said in an exaggerated voice, "I want that nut!" This made Kristen laugh, as he was quoting a book they had checked out from the library and read as a class. Kristen asked, "Who were the main characters in the book?" Silas thought for a moment and said, "It was an animal!" "That's right! There were two. Who were they?" A bit more time and thought brought the answer to mind: "Mouse and Chipmunk!" The Orange Room class trekked toward a large oak tree by the chapel cul-de-sac, searching for acorns. Only one was found by Anderson who declared, "I'm keeping this one because I'm starting an acorn collection. I just decided." As they moved up toward the sanctuary steps, known to most of the older 2nd Pres kids as the "Nut Place", they found another puddle to test out (splash, splash, splash) and an odd object sticking out of the ground. When they pulled it back and released, it bounced forward and backward. They noticed its red, translucent circle at the top. Kristen and Natalie, their other teacher, noticed their curious exploration of this new object. "That's a reflector," Kristen explained.



"It is important and has to stay in the ground. Cars use it so they know where the road is. It tells drivers, 'Watch out, the road is stopping and turning into grass.'" After a few more prods and pokes, the group moved on in their walk and headed to the Memorial Garden, a shaded area with tall trees, benches and loads of acorns! They noticed the squat shape of the acorns, gently touched a family of mushrooms and then spied something unusual. The group studied it for a minute or so, asking questions, such as, "What is this?" and "What does this do?". Kristen explained that the object is a spotlight and how at night, the bright light comes out of it and shines on the church steeple for all to see. The children peered into the spotlight to see its parts and also scaled the tall walls of the church with their eyes to find the white, pointy steeple.



As the children rounded the parking lot by the playground, a medium-sized stone was found and passed between Bea and Nora. When they reached the Fairy Tree, Bea inspected the treasures that had been left for Mary the Fairy, who lives in the tree hollow. She found sticks, beads, buttons, acorns and rocks, among other objects. Bea selected a rock and pulled it out, disappearing for a moment. Billy came over with a walnut shell, saying, "Here's some food for Mary. She's hungry." Nora noticed the stone still left in her hand and placed it inside the hollow in front of Mary. She smiled and walked away as Bea came back with the rock she had removed. It was wet and shiny; she had taken it to the big puddle to wash off the dirt. Bea carefully restored the rock to its rightful place with Mary.



A simple desire to go walking after a rainstorm elicited so much learning and connection for the Orange Room. The act of taking shoes off and putting boots and jackets on was an opportunity to practice self-help skills. Splashing in puddles provided ample opportunities for gross motor skills (jumping and one-legged hopping) and math concepts (sorting puddles by size, using comparison vocabulary of "bigger, smaller, deeper", and counting acorns). A text-to-world literacy connection was made (Silas's remembrance of the book *I Want That Nut!*) as the class hunted for acorns. Parking lot safety, exploration of the church building, and of course, nature discovery all organically occurred as the class made their way around our campus. And at the end, Bea, Billy and Nora practiced the heart skill of kindness through their gifts to Mary the Fairy. The Orange Room friends cultivated an even greater sense of belonging and connection with their school and each other because of this shared experience.



Hayley Abell
Director



Second Presbyterian Options Together

A small group ministry of Second Presbyterian Church
SPOT serves to unite people who share a common interest and deepen their faith in Christ through building relationships and reaching out to others.



Book Notes

Book Notes will meet on Tuesday, October 5, at 10 a.m. in the parlor at church or by zoom. We will discuss the book, "Beneath A Scarlet Sky," by Mark Sullivan. It is a book about Italy in World

War II and one young man's courageous life as he tries to help his fellow citizens – taking Jews to safety in Switzerland over the mountain passes and then as a spy in Milan under Nazi occupation. Please contact Larry Sloan if you wish to join by zoom.

Any questions? Please contact Susanne Wright at sjwright@iglou.com or Larry Sloan at larry.sloan@yahoo.com. We would be delighted to hear from you.



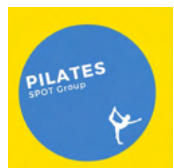
2nd Act

2nd Act is on hiatus, for more information in the meantime, contact Susan Langford, toursplus@aol.com or (502) 897-3789.



Paint SPOT

The group is back painting on Thursdays at Second. Contact Linda Wood for more information, (502) 893-3330 el.wood@twc.com.



Pilates

Susan Schmidt (502) 523-5934
puremovementvl@gmail.com



Dinner Groups

Jennifer Scott (502) 326-3145
jscott@cabbagepatch.org



Walkers

To learn about the program, please contact Bev Wahl at (502) 423-9271 or bevwahl41@gmail.com. New walkers are encouraged to join.



Busy Needles

To learn more about Busy Needles, please contact Mary Ayers, (502) 429-3415 or marywayers@aol.com; or Bev Wahl at (502) 423-9271 or bevwahl41@gmail.com.

Hope and Healing While Grieving

will meet at 11:30 a.m. on the first and third Wednesdays of each month through April 2022.

While most of us will be in Room 251, there will be a Zoom option available.

Please contact Elizabeth Clay at eclay@2ndpreslou.org if you are interested or have any questions.



Session Highlights

From the September 16, 2021 meeting:

- A recommendation from the Mission Committee to use \$1,000.00 of Covid-19 funds to buy signage and promotional items for the Beechmont Presbyterian Church vaccination site was approved by session.
- Work continues on technology upgrades throughout the church. New cameras in the sanctuary are now in use and the new sound equipment is installed. Soon there will be better speaker capability in Fellowship Hall as well as a bigger dropdown screen. 240 new acoustic panels are in the rafters of the gym. As soon as equipment is in, the projector and sound will be completed. It is anticipated that the upgrades will be complete by November.
- A called congregational meeting will follow the 11:00 a.m. service on Sunday, November 14, 2021 to elect ruling elders, deacons, trustees and the Associate Pastor nominating committee.
- Session approved of Deb Vetter, Chelsea Beasley and Stan DeVoogd as members of the Interim Associate Pastor nominating committee.

A copy of the approved Minutes of Session is available in the church office.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Clark
Clerk of Session



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FEBRUARY 11-18, 2022

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Ministry Support Staff Update

Due to the recent staffing changes at Second, we would like to update you with which staff member supports various ministries. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the office at 502-895-3483 or at info@2ndpreslou.org.

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Music	Worship
Youth	

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passages

We remember in prayer...

Ruth Fitzwater and her family on the death of her mother, Georgia Fitzwater. 9/21/2021.

The family and friends of the Rev. Alan Sorem on his death. 9/6/2021.

Odetta Tucker and her family on the death of her sister Brenda. 9/2/2021.

Lisa Shishmanian and her family on the death of her father Ralph Harbold, Jr. 8/26/2021.