# Welcome to Second Presbyterian Church Sharing the grace of God with one another and theworld 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 our various ministries, or to contact our office for more information about our faith community.

If you are new to Second Presbyterian, or would like to share a prayer concern, please scan this QR 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 (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 entering the amount you wish to donate. Thank you for your faithful support!





\* Please stand if you can do so comfortably. Bold type is sung or read in unison.

For our worshipers 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.

# COVID PROTOCOL UPDATE

The church's Re-opening Task Group met Thursday, March 3, to assess masking protocols in response to COVID-19. Noting the rapidly declining infection rates and the current CDC guidelines, the Group, on behalf of Session, has determined that we officially observe a mask-optional policy regarding gatherings inside the building. As an act of our caring for all our community at Second, it is important that we honor the decisions of all our members to mask or not, especially for those who are at risk or most vulnerable. Adults coming into the Weekday School area during its operating hours will still be asked to wear a mask.

The Task Group, composed of active elders, at-large members, and members of the church staff, have faithfully met over the past 16 months or more to evaluate our church's response to the pandemic.

# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

The Fifth Sunday of Lent

April 3, 2022

## THE GATHERING

### WELCOME

PRELUDE

*Nocturne* Julia Cash, violin; Samuel Libra, piano Lili Boulanger

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

11 a.m. INTROIT

Arise, O Lord Our God, AriseBOURBONThe Octet (8:30 a.m.) and Sanctuary Choir (11:00 a.m.)arr. John Leon Hooker

Arise, O Lord our God, arise and enter now into your rest; O let this house be your abode, forever with your presence blest. *adapted from Psalm 132* 

#### 11 a.m. PRESENTING THE MEANS OF GRACE

\*HYMN

God, You Gather Us for Worship

HOLY MANNA

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.

Welcome through baptismal waters faithful lambs into your fold; cleanse our souls of sin's affliction, make them shine as purest gold. Spread before us cups of blessing, loaves of sacramental bread; by your death, we claim salvation; by your gifts, our lives our fed.

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.

Michael Morgan

**\*CALL TO CONFESSION** 

### \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION read in unison

Why are you so extravagant, O God? We work hard, use our intelligence, keep our ledgers balanced, accomplish feats daily, care for our families, and honor our inherited legacies. Is this not enough to earn our place among the favored? Yet you throw open windows and doors, revealing a vision we do not possess, where accomplishments don't count, where tears reap joy, where peace is found in suffering, where confidence is gained by giving away what is ours to treasure. Show us again what matters. Forgive our misplaced values, and draw us into your extravagance, that we, too, might be generous with our love.

Time for silent prayer.

#### 11 a.m. **\*RESPONSE**

Restore in Us, O God

BAYLOR



#### \*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS read responsively

Our claim to forgiveness rests entirely in God's claim on us. Jesus Christ restores us to life. Say it with joy! In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

#### **\*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.

# THE WORD

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

SECOND READING

#### SERMON

The Fragrance of Life

Isaiah 43:16-21 John 12:1-8 Rev. Steve Jester

# THE RESPONSE

#### **\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Found on Page 34 in the Glory to God hymnal

### SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

#### **INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING read responsively

> 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.

Holy, holy, holy Lord ... forever and ever!

### 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.

#### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

**COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE** 

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION Away Vain World from St. John Passion

The Octet; Samuel Libra, conducting

Away vain world, bewitcher of my heart! My sorrow shows, my sin makes me to smart! Yet will I not despair But to my God repair, He has mercy ay, Therefore will I pray. He has mercy ay and loves me Though by his humbling hand he proves me.

Bids oft adieu with it that holds me slave. Loth am I to forgo This sweet alluring foe. Since thy ways are vain, Shall I thee retain? Since thy ways are vain, I quite thee. Thy pleasures shall no more delight me.

Once more away, shows loth the world to leave, What shall I say? Are all my pleasures past? Shall worldly joys now take their leave at last? Yea, Christ, these earthly toys Shall turn in heavenly joys. Let the world be gone, I care not. Christ is my love alone, I fear not. Alexander Montgomerie

Bob Chilcott

#### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

## 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**

Arise, My Soul, Arise

Dan Forrest

The Octet (8:30 a.m.) & Sanctuary Choir (11:00 a.m.); Julia Cash, violin; Samuel Libra, piano

Arise, my soul, arise; shake off thy guilty fears; The bleeding sacrifice in my behalf appears: Before the Throne, my Surety stands, My name is written on His hands. Five bleeding wounds He bears, received on Calvary; They pour effectual prayers; they strongly plead for me: 'Forgive him, O forgive,' they cry, 'Nor let that ransomed sinner die!"

My God is reconciled; His pardoning voice I hear; He owns me for His child; I can no longer fear: With confidence I now draw nigh, And 'Father, Abba, Father,' cry." Arise, my soul, arise. Charles Wesley

The Nicene Creed

HAMBURG

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small; Love so amazing, so divine demands my soul, my life, my all.

SHARING GRACE

## THE SENDING

Lord of All Good

TOULON

# \*HYMN 711

\*BLESSING

POSTLUDE

Sonata in A Major, HWV 361, Op. 3 No. 1 II. Allegro G.F. Handel

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 honor of our grandchildren Silas and Gate Edinger, by Evie and Charles Edinger.

USHERS 8:30 a.m.: Lorrie Conway, Peter Conway

11:00 a.m.: Connie Smith, Gene Smith, Lisa Houghliin, Brian Houghlin, Crystal Kannapell

#### **OUR WORSHIP LEADERS**

Rev. Steve Jester, preacher; Rev. Jordan Akin & Rev. Rich Gianzero, liturgists; Sallye Pence, lay reader

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

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#### WE LIFT UP IN PRAYER

Ann Bowling and her famly on the death of her mother, Eva "Grace" Kleinschmidt, 3/25/22 Ellie Salsbury and her family on the death of her husband, Tom Salsbury, 3/22/22 Selina Costley and her family on the death of her mother, Dorothy Bogard, 3/21/22 Heather Sexton and her family on the death of her husband, Matt Sexton, 3/11/22

**CHILDCARE:** Childcare is available in room 117 for children ages 5 and under during 8:30 a.m. 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.

**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

Year	# of Pledges	MAP Pledges	Amount Pledged	Amount Received	MAP Non- Pledged	Non- Pledged Income	Mission MAP	Contribut- ing # of Members	Per Capita Income
2021	279	\$1,350,000	\$1,347,185	\$1,357,215	\$95,000	\$147,729	\$250,000	588	\$14,710
2022	271	\$1,350,000	\$1,393,531	\$434,462	\$95,000	\$15,855	<b>\$250,000</b>	22	\$550

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

**STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE:** We would like to express its deep appreciation to all the church members who have made pledges or otherwise made financial contributions this year. Due to your continuing generosity, we are again able to support our church and mission partners throughout Kentucky and around the world, while also funding our many music, worship, fellowship, outreach, and spiritual education programs, as well as our youth, young adult, and children's activities here at home. In short, your support makes all our church activities possible.

So, to all of you who have pledged, we say an enthusiastic and heartfelt "thank you!" And if you have not yet pledged this year, we would ask that you consider doing so (it is not too late!). Whether you can pledge much or little, your contributions help us spread God's Word and strengthen our witness to Jesus Christ. -Brad Hume, Committee Chair

## MISSION

Our April Mission of the Month is Cedar Ridge, a non-profit camp and retreat center. It is a mission and ministry of the Presbytery of Mid-Kentucky serving Christ by developing and nurturing relations between people, nature, and God. There are items the camp is in need of, and the list can be found in Seconds to Go. Please drop off to the church office during regular office hours or to the mission closet on Sundays. Thank you for your support of this important ministry. (*More information in Seconds to Go.*)

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**EASTER LILY DONATIONS**: Easter lilies in honor or memory of a loved one can be ordered by contacting Tanner at 502-895-3483 or twilliams@2ndpreslou.org **before April 7**. Lilies are \$25 a piece, and checks can be mailed to Second Presbyterian Church, attn. Tanner Williams, 3701 Old Brownsboro Rd., Louisville KY 40207. Order forms with memorial designations are available in the narthex.

# UPCOMING EVENTS: Week of April 3, 2022

**ORGAN RECITAL/EVENSONG TONIGHT -** Our Organist, Samuel Libra, is the featured recitalist at St. Francis in the Fields Episcopal this evening at 5 p.m., followed by Evensong. Come support Sam in this prestigious opportunity. Erin Shina, one of our Octet's sopranos, and Jim Rittenhouse will be in the choir.

**MORNING JOY - Last One of the Year!** 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 email cbeasley@2ndpreslou.org for Zoom info. All are welcome!

**LENTEN SERIES - Jason Steigerwalt, Baritone, April 7 (2) 12 p.m.** Jason Steigerwalt, of our professional Octet, joins Organist Samuel Libra in sacred works for baritone and keyboards, including excerpts from Antonín Dvořák's meditations on the Psalms, *Biblical Songs*, and Ralph Vaughan Williams' *Five Mystical Songs*. A boxed lunch is available - contact Sam slibra@2ndpreslou.org by noon Monday, April 4. (more events next page)

PALM SUNDAY PROCESSION at 11 a.m. - All children and families are invited to meet in the Narthex at 10:45 a.m. next Sunday, April 10, to grab a palm and join our processional. Help make our worship special by being part of the story of Jesus as we begin Holy Week.

EASTER CROSS FLOWERS - Continuing a tradition at Second, all are invited to bring a flower to put on the Easter Cross in the Narthex on Easter morning - a beautiful sign of a resurrected people!

## \*\*SEE ALL HOLY WEEK & EASTER CELEBRATIONS SCHEDULE ON INSERT\*\*

#### YOUTH

HS Girls Bible Study is April 19 at 8:00 p.m. at the Lyles residence.

#### **CHILDREN**

4th-5th graders will stay in worship on Sunday, April 3.

Parents of Young Children Meet Up will be on Saturday, April 9 from 10:00-11:30 a.m. All families with children ages 3 and younger are invited to meet for a time of fellowship and play in the gym. Please enter through door #1 (ITP). For more information, please contact Diana Jester at djester1101@twc.com.

Parents Night Out will be Saturday, April 16 from 5:00-8:30 p.m. This is for children from birth through 5th grade and costs \$15 per child with a \$25 family cap. Pack a dinner and have the children join us for crafts, gym time, storytelling, and more! Reservations must be made on or before April 11 to Amy Heckmann at aheckmann@2ndpreslou.org.

### THE MINISTRY TEAM

Rev. Steven P. Jester, Pastor Rev. Jordan Akin, Associate Pastor for Youth Rev. Rich Gianzero, Interim Associate Pastor Hayley Abell, Director of the Weekday School Jim Rittenhouse, Director of Worship & Music Ministries Chelsea Beasley, Interim Assistant for Formation & Mission Lisa Bickett, Pastoral Assistant Ricky Case, Children's Choirs Co-Coordinator Elizabeth Clay, Parish Associate

Keith DeCosta, Sexton Rick Farrow, Facilities Jackie Grimley, Bookkeeper Amy Heckmann, Childcare Coordinator Samuel Libra, DMA, Organist & Communications Assistant Christina Recktenwald, Children's Choirs Co-Coordinator Tanner Williams, Receptionist & Administrative Assistant Paula S. Roberts, Organist Emerita



Old Brownsboro Road

DEDICATION AND STEWARDSHIP



A pastor wrote this text for a Christmas fair, which perhaps added echoes to the words "gifts" and "give" in the first two stanzas. But no hints are needed to grasp the full meaning of this hymn's final line. The text is set to a shortened form of a widely used Genevan tune.