

# 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](http://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 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.

*\* Please stand if you can do so comfortably.*

**Bold type** *is sung or read in unison.*

# *Service for the Lord's Day*

## *The Gathering*

WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

HYMN SING 450–853

PRESENTING THE MEANS OF GRACE

\*HYMN 14

*For the Beauty of the Earth*

DIX

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION *read in unison*

**God of Grace,  
we have harmed your children whom you love.  
Because we do not understand them,  
we segregate them,  
we reject them,  
we demonize them,  
and we hurt them.  
Forgive us, in your infinite love,  
and teach us to welcome all of your children  
until our hospitality is as wide as your mercy.  
Help us to understand others as we wish to be understood.  
Guide us to love one another as you love us.**

*Time for silent prayer.*

\*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

\*RESPONSE HYMN 297 *In Christ Called to Baptize* (vs. 4)

ST. DENIO

**Unite us, anoint us, O Spirit of love,  
for you are within us, around us, above.  
Equip us for service with gifts you bestow.  
In Christ is our calling. In Christ may we grow.**

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

*Children who are entering kindergarten through rising third graders are welcome to come forward and be dismissed through the side door for Faith Formation activities. Rising 4th and 5th graders are welcome to join the group as assistants to the adult leaders or may stay in worship if they prefer.*

## *The Word*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

1 Kings 19:1–15

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

SECOND READING

Luke 8:26–39

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

SERMON

*Where Are You, Lord?*

Rev. Steve Jester

## *The Response*

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *read in unison*

*from the Iona Community*

**We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new. Who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the church: to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in creation, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God. 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 to 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!*



OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*If Ye Love Me*

Philip Wilby

If ye love me, keep my commandments, and I will pray the Father, and He shall give you another Comforter, That He may abide with you forever; E'en the Spirit of Truth.	And ye know Him, for He dwelleth with you and shall be in you. I will not leave you comfortless. I will come to you. <i>John 14:15-18, KJV</i>
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\*DOXOLOGY 608 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* PRAISE GOD (HOPSON)

Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow; Praise Christ all  
 peo - ple here be - low; Praise Ho - ly Spi - rit ev - er -  
 more; Praise Tri - une God whom we a - dore!

SHARING GRACE

The Jack Roth Award  
Montreat Youth Conference Participants

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Congregation joins in singing Hymn 469 when invited:*

**Lord, listen to your children praying.**  
**Lord, send your Spirit in this place.**  
**Lord, listen to your children praying.**  
**Send us love; send us power; send us grace.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER *read in unison*

**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.**

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**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 314

*Longing for Light, We Wait in Darkness*

CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT

\*BLESSING

POSTLUDE

*Fanfare Improvisation on DIX*

S. Libra

*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 memory of Dr. and Mrs. Clyde H. Foshee by their family, and in memory of Charlie Shishmanian by his family.

### USHERS

Brad Hume, Glen Hume, David Dorsey, Lee Ann Dorsey, John Bahe, Cheeky Bahe

### OUR WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Steve Jester, preacher; Rev. Jordan Akin & Rev. Rich Gianzero, liturgists;  
Grace Liby, lay reader

The Sanctuary Choir; Samuel Libra, Organist/Conductor

Evan Vicic, audio/video engineer; Brandon Hughes, camera  
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## *We Lift Up in Prayer*

Eunice and Carl Shishmanian on the death of husband and father, Charlie, 6/4/22.

Vicki, Rob, and Betsy Reuther and their family on the death of husband and father,  
James Reuther, 5/27/22.

Christina Recktenwald and her family on the death of her brother-in-law, Ron  
Hunting, 5/16/22.

Bill McDowell and his family on the death of his sister, Judy Stanton, 5/12/22.

Melinda Mast and her family on the death of her husband, Dr. Bob Hilgers, 5/1/22.

Trish and Patti Ogden and their family on the death of Trish's uncle, William Baldwin  
Ogden, 4/25/22.

Prentice Brown and his family on the death of his companion, Joan Muir, 4/16/22.

## *The Ministry Team*

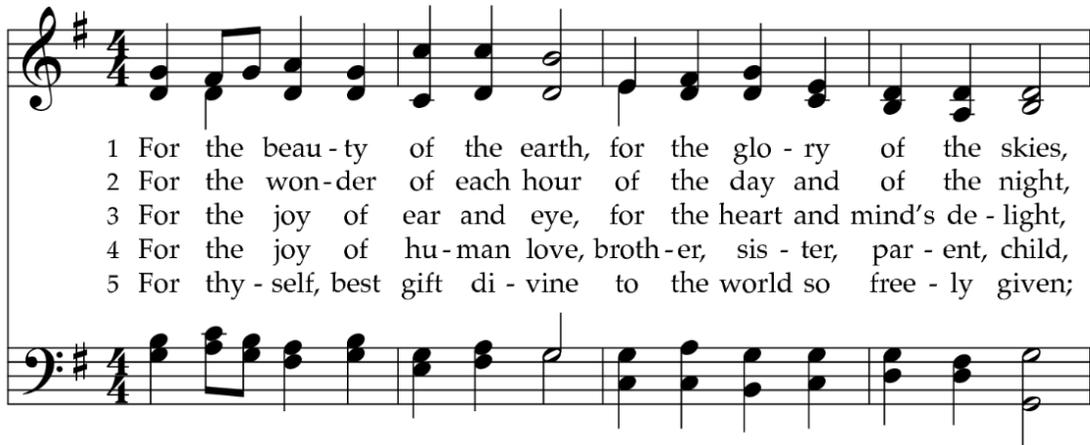
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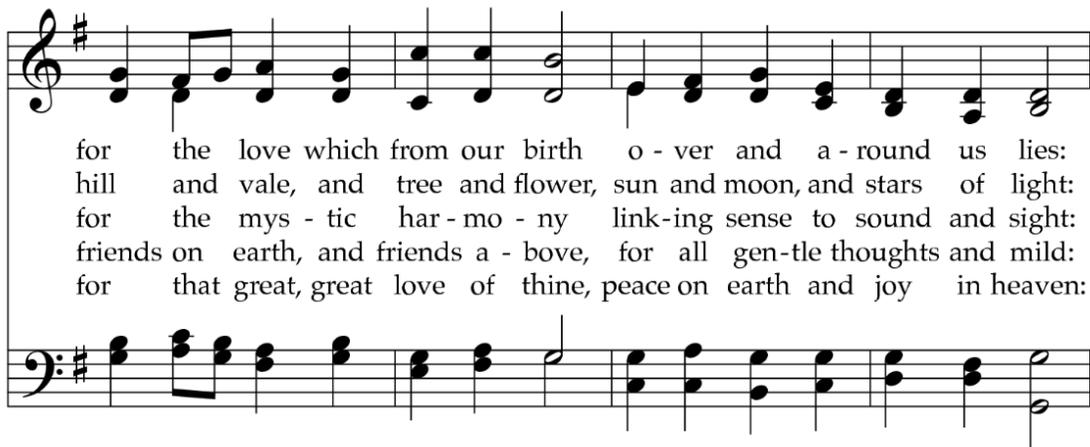
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# For the Beauty of the Earth 14



1 For the beau - ty of the earth, for the glo - ry of the skies,  
 2 For the won - der of each hour of the day and of the night,  
 3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de - light,  
 4 For the joy of hu - man love, broth - er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,  
 5 For thy - self, best gift di - vine to the world so free - ly given;



for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies:  
 hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light:  
 for the mys - tic har - mo - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight:  
 friends on earth, and friends a - bove, for all gen - tle thoughts and mild:  
 for that great, great love of thine, peace on earth and joy in heaven:

## Refrain



Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grate - ful praise.

In the course of many revisions, the original eucharistic emphasis of this text has shifted to a hymn of thanksgiving for a wide range of human experience, with a Christological summation. It is set here to the tune that is customary in North America, though not elsewhere.

# Longing for Light, We Wait in Darkness 314

## Christ, Be Our Light

Em Am7 Bm7 Esus Em

1 Long-ing for light, we wait in dark-ness. Long-ing for  
 2 Long-ing for peace, our world is trou-bled. Long-ing for  
 3 Long-ing for food, man - y are hun - gry. Long-ing for  
 4 Long-ing for shel - ter, man - y are home-less. Long-ing for  
 5 Man - y the gifts, man - y the peo - ple, man - y the

Am7 Bm7 Esus Em Am7

truth, we turn to you. Make us your own,  
 hope, man - y de - spair. Your word a - lone  
 wa - ter, man - y still thirst. Make us your bread,  
 warmth, man - y are cold. Make us your build - ing,  
 hearts that yearn to be - long. Let us be ser - vants

D G C Am Dsus D

your ho - ly peo - ple, light for the world to see.  
 has power to save us. Make us your liv - ing voice.  
 bro - ken for oth - ers, shared un - til all are fed.  
 shel - ter - ing oth - ers, walls made of liv - ing stone.  
 to one an - oth - er, mak - ing your king - dom come.

Refrain G C G Em Bm Em

Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the

Am7 D G Dsus D Em Em7

dark - ness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your

C Am7 D G Am7 G

church gath - ered to - day.

By blending biblical images and current vignettes in the present tense, this hymn connects Christ's promise that he is the Light of the world (John 8:12, 9:5) and his charge to his followers to be the light of the world (Matthew 5:14). This is part of the church's servant calling.