

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 worshipers who use hearing devices, please be aware that we have the T-Coil system available. If you have the T-coil feature on your hearing device—most devices have it—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 1-449

PRESENTING THE MEANS OF GRACE

*HYMN 475

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

NETTLETON

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION *read in unison*

Gracious, inviting God, you continually provide us with opportunities to practice generous hospitality. But our fear of difference, reluctance to share, and desire to be in control make our welcome appear weak and insincere. Because we long for what is familiar and comfortable, we have difficulty honoring the stranger as a sacred guest who bears the face of Christ. Worn out and irritated by the work we think we must do, we miss opportunities to receive the gifts that such guests offer us. Forgive us, O God, for focusing on the wrong things. Show us how to do what is right.

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

Psalm 15

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

SECOND READING

Luke 10:38–42

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

SERMON

Both/ And

Rev. Jordan Akin

The Response

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *read in unison*

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

Praise Ye the Lord

Dale Grotenhuis

Praise ye the Lord. Praise, O ye servants of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord.
Blessed be the name of the Lord from this time forth and for evermore.
From the rising of the sun unto the going down of the same,
the Lord's name is to be praised.
The Lord is high above all nations, and his glory above the heavens. *Psalm 113:1–4*

*DOXOLOGY 608 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* PRAISE GOD (HOPSON)

The image shows three staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are: "Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ all people here below; Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Tri-une God whom we adore!"

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 727

Will You Let Me Be Your Servant?

THE SERVANT SONG

vs. 1: choir; vs. 2-6: all

*BLESSING

POSTLUDE

"My Lord, What a Morning"

Harry T. Burleigh

from *From the Southland*

*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 loving memory of Grace Kleinschmidt by Ann and Roy Bowling and family.

USHERS

Edie Wells, Nathan Dicken, Caroline Wells, Brian Heil, Sara Middleton, Linda Watson

OUR WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Jordan Akin, preacher; Rev. Rich Gianzero, liturgist; Nancy Hubbard, lay reader
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We Lift Up in Prayer

Ken Fleming and his family on the death of his mother, Jo Ann Love Fleming,
7/4/22.

The family of Patricia (Patti) Strickler on her death, 7/3/22.

Isabella Bianconcini and her family on the death of her grandfather, Giampaolo,
7/3/22.

Ricky Case and his family on the death of his uncle, Bill Barnes, 7/2/22.

Diana Jester and her family on the death of her cousin, Kirk Avent, 6/30/22.

Robin Seiler and her family in the death of her father, Jim Hornback, 6/21/22.

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

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

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing 475

1 Come, thou Fount of ev-ery bless-ing; tune my heart to sing thy grace;
 2 Here I raise my Eb - e - ne - zer; hith - er by thy help I'm come;
 3 O to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con-strained to be!

streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud-est praise.
 and I hope, by thy good plea-sure, safe-ly to ar - rive at home.
 Let that grace now, like a fet - ter, bind my wan-dering heart to thee.

Teach me some me - lo-dious son - net, sung by flam-ing tongues a-bove;
 Je - sus sought me when a strang-er, wan-dering from the fold of God;
 Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;

praise the mount! I'm fixed up - on it, mount of God's un-chang-ing love!
 he, to res - cue me from dan-ger, in - ter-posed his pre-cious blood.
 here's my heart; O take and seal it; seal it for thy courts a - bove.

Written for Pentecost by a British Baptist pastor, this text is full of biblical terms like "Ebenezer" (1 Samuel 7:12), Hebrew for "a stone of help" set up to give thanks for God's assistance. The tune name honors hymnal compiler Asahel Nettleton, who probably did not compose it.

Will You Let Me Be Your Servant

1 Will you let me be your ser - vant, let me be as
 2 We are pil - grims on a jour - ney, we are trav - 'lers
 3 I will hold the Christ - light for you in the night - time
 4 I will weep when you are weep - ing; when you laugh I'll
 5 Will you let me be your ser - vant, let me be as

Christ to you? Pray that I may have the grace to
 on the road; we are here to help each oth - er
 of your fear; I will hold my hand out to you,
 laugh with you. I will share your joy and sor - row
 Christ to you? Pray that I may have the grace to

let you be my ser - vant, too.
 walk the mile and bear the load.
 speak the peace you long to hear.
 till we've seen this jour - ney through.
 let you be my ser - vant, too.

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