## 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 visit our website and learn 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.

To our visitors: please help us get to know you better by filling out an information card (found in the pew pockets). If you'll hand the card to a pastor in the Narthex after the service, we would be honored to give you a small welcome gift.

For our worshippers with little ones needing a quiet space during the worship service, there is an infant and caregiver room off the Narthex. If you have any questions, please notify an usher.



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

PRELUDE

A Jubilee from From the Southland

H.T. Burleigh

WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

HYMN SING 1–449

PRESENTING THE MEANS OF GRACE

\*HYMN 634

To God Be the Glory

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\*CALL TO CONFESSION

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION read in unison

Gracious God, have mercy on us, for we have failed to be faithful to you, though you have been faithful to us. You show us your wisdom, but we prefer to go our own way. Our broken relationships with you and one another have created poverty in us and our neighbors. In your mercy, reconcile us to you and one another for the work of justice, peace, and love, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer.

Time for silent prayer.

\*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS read responsively

...God seeks us out. This is good news! In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

The Response Hymn can be found printed on the next page.

\*RESPONSE HYMN 582 Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me GLORY TO GOD Children ages 3 through completed 3rd graders are welcome to come forward (VASILE) and be dismissed through the side door for activities following the Peace.



\*PASSING OF THE PEACE read responsively

The peace of Christ be with you all. And also with you.

## The Word

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING Psalm 138

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING Mark 3:20–35

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SERMON The Family We Choose Rev. Andrew Bowman

## The Response

#### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH read in unison

A New Creed

from the United Church of Canada

We are not alone, we live in God's world.

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.

#### GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

We welcome you to scan this QR code and 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!



Anthem

Be Thou My Vision

SLANE, arr. Alice Parker

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art; thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

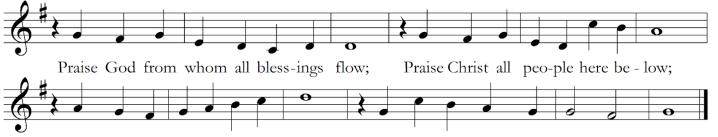
Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true Word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord; thou my great Father, I thy true son; thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise; thou, mine inheritance, now and always; thou and thou only, first in my heart, High King of Heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of Heaven, my victory won, may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

trad. Irish, trans. Mary Byrne

\*Doxology 608 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow Praise God (Hopson)



Praise Ho-ly Spi-rit ev-er - more;

Praise Tri-une God whom we

- dore!

#### \*Prayer of Thanksgiving

#### SHARING GRACE

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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.

## The Sending

\*HYMN 317 In Christ There Is No East or West McKee, arr. H.T. Burleigh

\*BLESSING

POSTLUDE A New Hidin'-Place from From the Southland H.T. Burleigh

We are called to go out from our worship to share the grace of God with one another and the world.

## 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 to the glory of God and in loving memory of Joan Muir by Prentice Brown and Kim Muir Graven.

#### **USHERS**

Joe Maloney, Nora Maloney, Sharon Clark, Watson Courtenay, Kendra Courtenay, Jennifer Scott, Martha Pecceu

#### **OUR WORSHIP LEADERS**

Rev. Andrew Bowman, preacher; Elizabeth Clay, liturgist; Kit Davis, lay reader

The Sanctuary Choir; Jim Rittenhouse, Director; Samuel Libra, Organist

Evan Vicic, Audiovisual Engineer; William Vicic, camera

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## We Lift Up in Prayer

Michael, Claire, Wilson, Lachlan, and Sylvia Masick on the death of Michael's father, John Joseph Masick, 5/21/24.

The family and friends of Suzanne Whaley on her death, 5/15/24.

Carl Gilford and Stephanie Renner, and Trevor and Sara Gilford, on the death of son, brother, and grandson, Jordan Gilford, 5/12/24.

The family and friends of Sarah Hughes on her death, 5/7/24.

Lynn Gant and her family on the death of husband, Gene March, 5/2/24.

Carol Gray and her family on the death of her brother, John Belton Taylor, 4/18/24.

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This American gospel song became popular in England in the late 19th century, then returned to this country in the mid-20th century with the Billy Graham crusades. Its continuing popularity may well be due to the freedom from subjective considerations in its praise of God.



## 317 In Christ There Is No East or West



This setting expands and enhances the thematic inclusiveness of an early 20th-century text by adapting the melody of a traditional spiritual to carry these words. This 1940 pairing marked the first use of African American musical material in a mainline North American hymnal.