

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 worshippers 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 *Reflections on Morning Has Broken* Franklin Ashdown

WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

HYMN SING 450–853

PRESENTING THE MEANS OF GRACE

*HYMN 667 *When Morning Gilds the Skies* LAUDES DOMINI

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION *read in unison*

Merciful God, we confess we sometimes distrust you. We feel desperate, and wonder where you are. In the face of tragedy or disaster, we ask how you could let such things happen. We forget to reach out to you. Forgive us, O God, when we give up on your love. Forgive us when we fail to see you right beside us. Reassure us that in Christ, you will never let us go.

Time for silent prayer.

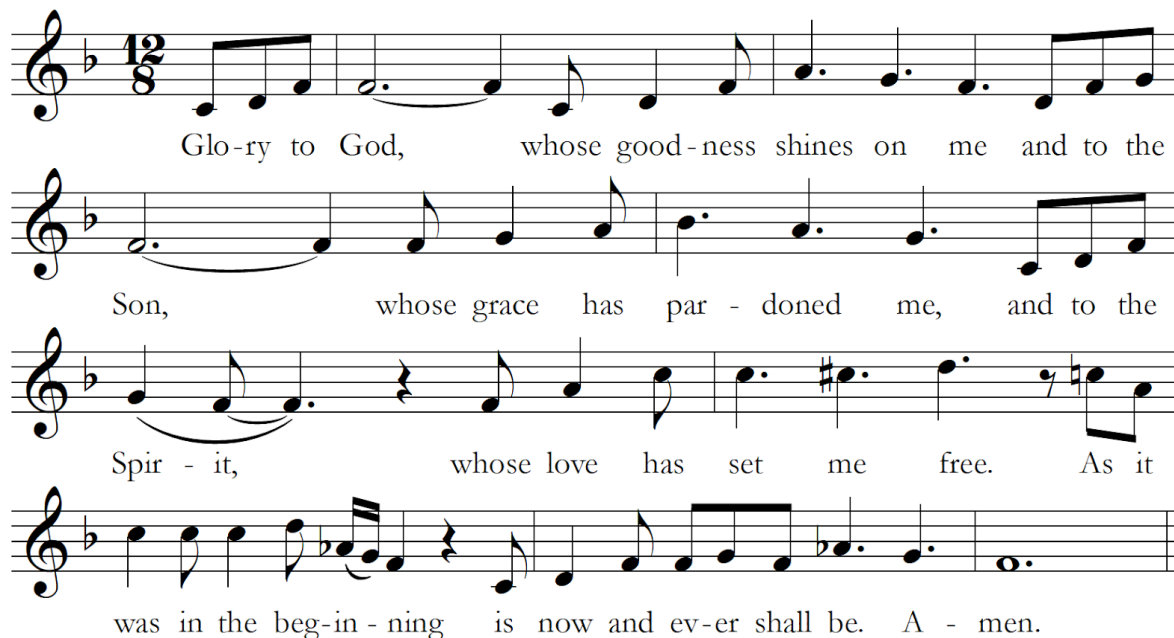
*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS *read responsively*

...Let us live as forgiven people!

The grace of Jesus Christ sets us free! Thanks be to God. Amen.

The Response Hymn can be found 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.



Glo-ry to God, whose good-ness shines on me and to the
Son, whose grace has par - doned me, and to the
Spir - it, whose love has set me free. As it
was in the beg-in - ning is now and ev-er shall be. A - men.

*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 30

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

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 8:7–15

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

SERMON

A Generous Undertaking

Rev. Jordan Akin

The Response

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *read in unison*

Philippians 2:5–11

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess to the glory of God: Jesus Christ is Lord! Amen.

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
Grotenhuis

Blessed Be the Name of the Lord

Dale

The Summer Choir

Praise ye the Lord! Praise him, 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 to 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.

Blessed be...

Psalm 113:1–4, KJV

*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!

*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 649

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

NEW BRITAIN

*BLESSING

POSTLUDE

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

Michael Burkhardt

*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 Helen Berry by Marilyn and Gordon Duke.

USHERS

John Hubbard, Nancy Hubbard, Jonathan Evans, Liz Evans, Lawrence Palmer-Ball,
Rosemay Palmer-Ball

OUR WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Jordan Akin, preacher; Lorie Williamson, Rev. Andrew Bowman, liturgists;
Janet Rittenhouse, lay reader

The Summer Choir; Jim Rittenhouse, Director; Paula Roberts, Organist Emerita
Evan Vicic, Audiovisual Engineer; William Vicic, camera

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We Lift Up in Prayer

Stan and Jeanne Curtis on the death of his brother, Greg, 6/10/2024.

Sarah Middleton, Brian Lewis, Margaret Witt, and their families on the death of
mother-in-law and grandmother, Anne Lewis, 6/8/24.

Ricky Case and his family on the death of his grandmother, Nora M. Barnes, 6/5/24.

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.

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667 When Morning Gilds the Skies

1 When morn - ing gilds the skies, my heart a - wak - ing
 2 Does sad - ness fill my mind? A so - lace here I
 3 Let earth's wide cir - cle round in joy - ful notes re -
 4 Be this, while life is mine, my can - ti - cle di -

cries: may Je - sus Christ be praised! A -
 find: may Je - sus Christ be praised! Or
 sound: may Je - sus Christ be praised! Let
 vine: may Je - sus Christ be praised! Be

like at work and prayer to Je - sus I re -
 fades my earth - ly bliss? My com - fort still is
 air and sea and sky from depth to height re -
 this the e - ter - nal song through all the a - ges

pair: may Je - sus Christ be praised!
 this: may Je - sus Christ be praised!
 ply: may Je - sus Christ be praised!
 long: may Je - sus Christ be praised!

This is not just a morning hymn, though this excerpt from an English translation of an early 19th-century German text may not convey how thoroughly the original deals with different kinds of time throughout the day. The tune was composed as a setting for this English text.

649 Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

1 A - maz - ing grace, how sweet the sound, that
 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
 3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I
 4 The Lord has prom - ised good to me; his
 5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright

saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but
 grace my fears re - lieved. How pre - cious did that
 have al - read - y come. 'Tis grace has brought me
 word my hope se - cures. He will my shield and
 shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to

now am found, was blind, but now I see.
 grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!
 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
 por - tion be as long as life en - dures.
 sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.