

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, we have the T-Coil system available. If you have the T-coil feature on your hearing device, you simply need to switch it to that setting. We also have individual audio units available for personal use. If you would like to use one, please inform an usher.

** 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 *Adagio from Sonata I in D-minor* Gustav Merkel

WELCOME

INTROIT *Cry Out and Shout!* Knut Nystedt

Cry out and shout, ye people of God!
The Lord is strength and song!
Isaiah 12, adapt.

CALL TO WORSHIP *read responsively*

Jesus, Light of the World, we open the windows of our hearts:
Fill this house with the light of your grace!

PRESENTING THE MEANS OF GRACE

*HYMN 49 *The God of Abraham Praise* LEONI

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION *read in unison*

Merciful God, you call us to love our neighbors, and to share your grace with others. Yet we confess that we have too often failed to comfort those in pain, or care for those in need. We have not made peace with those who oppose us, and have not worked to create the world you desire. Forgive us when we prioritize our own well-being, instead of seeking the equity and justice that come from you. Open our ears and hearts to the cries of those in need, and show us the better way of hope for all people. Grant us courage to stand for what is right, and to walk your faithful path.

Time for silent prayer.

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS *read responsively*

...because of this wonderful Good News:

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Amen.

*RESPONSE HYMN 620 *Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven, vs. 1*

LAUDA ANIMA

*Children ages 3 through completed 3rd graders are welcome to come forward;
they will be dismissed through the side door for activities following the Peace.*

**Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; to his feet your tribute bring;
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, evermore his praises sing:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the everlasting King.**

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Annie Louise "Lulu" Phelps *daughter of Maggie & Andrew Phelps*

**read in unison when invited*

The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the
Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius
Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the
third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from
thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion
of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and
the life everlasting. Amen.**

BAPTISM HYMN

Lord Jesus Christ, Our Lord Most Dear

TALLIS CANON



Lord Je-sus Christ, our Lord most dear, as you were once an in-fant here, so



give this child of yours, we pray, your grace and bless-ing ev-ery day.

*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

Mark 9:38–50

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

SECOND READING

Numbers 11:4–6, 10–16, 24–29

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

SERMON

The Good Old Days

Rev. Dr. Kim Clayton

The Response

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

Verleih uns Frieden

Felix Mendelssohn

*Verleih uns Frieden gnädiglich,
Herr Gott, zu unsern Zeiten.
Es ist doch ja kein anderer nicht,
der für uns könnte streiten,
denn du, unser Gott, alleine.
Da pacem Domine, Latin hymn;
Martin Luther, German trans.*

Graciously grant peace,
O Lord, in our time.
For there is none other
that could fight for us
than you, our God, alone.

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD 100TH

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

*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 485

We Know that Christ Is Raised

ENGELBERG

*BLESSING

POSTLUDE

Finale from Sonata V in A-major

Charles V. Stanford.

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

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 Sam Libra. We are grateful for your dedication and inspiration to the music program here at Second Presbyterian Church. You will be missed!!

USHERS

Henry Kelsey, Sasha Björk-Mayer, Tim Martin, Cathy Martin, Emily Lawrence,
Laura Cromer

OUR WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Dr. Kim Clayton, preacher; Lorie Williamson, Rev. Andrew Bowman, liturgists;
Bill McDowell, lay reader

The Sanctuary Choir; Dr. Samuel Libra, Organist & conductor;
John Stender, guest organist.

Evan Vicic, Audiovisual Engineer; William Vicic, camera

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We Lift Up in Prayer

Brooks Mayer & Sasha Björk-Mayer and their family on the death of Brooks' father, Ed,
9/22/24.

Gregg and Priss Hovious and their family on the death of Gregg's father, Bob, 9/16/24.

Laura Duane and her family on the death of her mother, Becky Lynn Kessler, 8/23/24.

Mary Miller and her family on the death of her sister, Sue Tarter, 8/23/24.

Ruling Elders

Class of 2024

Laura Cromer
Kit Davis
Patrick Farnan
Bill McDowell
Rosemay Palmer-Ball
Eddie Wells
Johnny Burrice *youth*
Trevor Gilford *youth*

Class of 2025

Michael Beasley
Paul Costel
Elaine Duncan
Holly Gathright
Bob Horton
John Hubbard
Elizabeth Scinta
Linda Watson

Class of 2026

Miriam Ballert
Marilyn Duke
Liz Ratliff Evans
Lindsey Hundley
Lucy Kosse
Deb Vetter
Whitney Watt

Clerk of Session Sharon Clark

Deacons

Class of 2024

Beth Blythe
Scott Carothers
Priss Hovious
Larry Jones
Justin Powers
Christie Wilson

Class of 2025

Sandy Bailey
Prentice Brown
Cathy Flowers
Tim Martin, *Clerk of Deacons*
Jane Roth
Martha Spencer
Lowell Stevens

Class of 2026

Nathan Dicken
Glen Hume
Sissy Judy
Susan McDowell
Paige Reinstine
Kristi Smith

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49 The God of Abraham Praise

1 The God of A-braham praise, who reigns en-throned a - bove,
 2 Your spir - it still flows free, high surg - ing where it will.
 3 Your good - ly land we seek, with peace and plen - ty blest,
 4 You have e - ter - nal life im - plant - ed in the soul;

the An - cient of E - ter - nal Days, the God of love!
 In proph-et's word you spoke of old and you speak still.
 a land of sa - cred lib - er - ty and Sab - bath rest.
 your love shall be our strength and stay, while a - ges roll.

The Lord, the great I AM, by earth and heaven con-fessed,
 Es - tab-lished is your law, and change-less it shall stand,
 There milk and hon - ey flow, and oil and wine a - bound,
 We praise you, liv - ing God! We praise your ho - ly name:

we bow be - fore your ho - ly name, for - ev - er blest.
 deep writ up - on the hu - man heart by your strong hand.
 and trees of life for - ev - er grow with mer - cy crowned.
 the first, the last, be - yond all thought, and still the same!

Shaped by its traditional Jewish tune, this selection of English stanzas conveys the essence of the *Yigdal*, a canticle based on a medieval Hebrew statement of faith about the nature of God and often used in synagogue worship, alternately chanted by cantor and congregation.

We Know That Christ Is Raised 485

Capo 3: (D) (Asus) (A) (A/G) (D/F#)
 F Csus C C/Bb F/A

1 We know that Christ is raised and dies no more.
 2 We share by wa - ter in his sav - ing death.
 3 The Fa - ther's splen - dor clothes the Son with life.
 4 A new cre - a - tion comes to life and grows

(D) (A) (D) (E7) (A)
 F C F G7 C

Em - braced by death he broke its fear - ful hold,
 Re - born we share with him an Eas - ter life
 The Spir - it's pow - er shakes the church of God.
 as Christ's new bod - y takes on flesh and blood.

(Am) (D) (G) (Em) (Bm)
 Cm F Bb Gm Dm

and our de - spair he turned to blaz - ing joy.
 as liv - ing mem - bers of a liv - ing Christ.
 Bap - tized we live with God the Three in One.
 The u - ni - verse, re - stored and whole, will sing:

1-3 4
 (Em) (D) (Asus) (A) (Em) (D)
 Gm F Csus C Gm F

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

Beginning with an allusion to Romans 6:9, this exuberant baptismal hymn unfolds the implications of our incorporation into Christ's new life, making us "a new creation" (2 Corinthians 5:17). The text was written to fit this expansive tune by a distinguished British composer.

TEXT: John Brownlow Geyer, 1967, alt.
 MUSIC: Charles Villiers Stanford, 1904
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ENGELBERG
 10.10.10.4
 (this tune in a higher key, 641)