

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, 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.*

OCTOBER 20, 2024 ☩ THE TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST ☩ 11:00 A.M.

Service for the Lord's Day

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *Children of the Heavenly Father* arr. O. Young

Molly Melahn & Jim Rittenhouse, soloists; Guy Younce, piano

Children of the heav'nly Father, safely in His bosom gather;
nestling bird nor star in heaven such a refuge e'er was given.

God His own doth tend and nourish; in His holy courts they flourish.
From all evil things He spares them; in His mighty arms He bears them.

Neither life nor death shall ever from the Lord His children sever;
unto them His grace He showeth, and their sorrows all He knoweth.

Tho' He giveth or He taketh, God His children ne'er forsaketh;
His the loving purpose solely to preserve them pure and holy. - *Carolina Sandell*

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 20 *All Things Bright and Beautiful* ROYAL OAK
stanzas 1: Congregation
stanzas 2&3: Children's Choirs (all sing refrain)
stanza 4: All

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION *read in unison*

.....In your mercy: **Forgive us, loving God.**

Time for silent prayer.

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS *read responsively*

Trust in the Good News of the Gospel: by the grace of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God! Amen.

ANTHEM

I Am a Child of God Barbara Bridge, arr. Alleruzzo
Carol & Chapel Choirs; Worship Arts

(Refrain) In the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit;

I am a special child of God, I belong in the family of God.

God is a family, God is a Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Loving and gentle and always forgiving us; blessing us today. *(Refrain)*

Learning together, and working together, the Spirit is our helper.

Following Jesus to build up the kingdom by helping those in need. *(Refrain)*

*When invited, 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.*

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Jonathan Beckett Hertzman *son of Shelby and Nick Hertzman*
Austin Levine and Kara Davis, sponsors

**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.**

*RESPONSE HYMN *I Am a Child of God, refrain*

**In the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit;
I am a special child of God, I belong in the family of God.**

*PASSING OF THE PEACE *read responsively*

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

MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP

Brad Hume

The Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Psalm 91:9-16

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

SECOND READING

Mark 10:35-45

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

SERMON

Are We Able?

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

Sing, My Child

Sarah Quartel

The Sanctuary Choir; Molly Melahn & Kenneth Oeth, soloists; Ricky Case, percussion

Sing for the promise of each new morning.
Sing for the hope in a new day dawning.
All around is beauty bright!
Wake in the morning, and sing, my child.

Dance in the joy of the day unfolding.
Dance as you work, and dance as you're
learning.
All around is beauty bright!
Take in the day and dance, my child.

But when trouble comes and worry is all
that can be found,
Gather your strength and hear your voice.
Sing, my child.

Laugh in the cool and the fresh of the
ev'ning.
Laugh in your triumph, laugh in
succeeding.
All around is beauty bright!

Rest in the evening, and laugh, my child.
Peace in the stillness and dark of the night.
Peace in the dreams of your silent delight.
All around is beauty bright!

Sleep in the night and peace, my child.

Father, whose bounty all creation shows;
Christ, by whose willing sacrifice we live;
Spirit from whom all life in fullness flows:
To you with grateful hearts ourselves we give.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

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

(to the tune of *Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates*)

Take up your cross, the Savior said,
if you would my disciple be;
take up your cross with willing heart,
and humbly follow after me.

Take up your cross; let not its weight
fill your weak spirit with alarm;
Christ's strength shall bear your
spirit up
and brace your heart and nerve your
arm.

Take up your cross; heed not the
shame,
and let your foolish pride be still;
the Lord for you accepted death
upon a cross, on Calvary's hill.

Take up your cross, then, in Christ's
strength,
and calmly every danger brave:
it guides you to abundant life
and leads to victory o'er the grave

*BLESSING

POSTLUDE

Grand Chorus in B flat
Guy Younce, guest organist

Theodore Dubois

*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.*

20 All Things Bright and Beautiful

Refrain

All things bright and beau-ti - ful, all crea-tures great and small,

all things wise and won - der - ful, the Lord God made them all. *Fine*

1 Each lit - tle flower that o - pens, each lit - tle bird that sings,
 2 The pur - ple-head-ed moun-tain, the riv - er run - ning by,
 3 The cold wind in the win - ter, the pleas-ant sum-mer sun,
 4 God gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell

God made their glow-ing col - ors; God made their ti - ny wings.
 the sun - set, and the morn - ing that bright-ens up the sky:
 the ripe fruits in the gar - den, God made them ev - ery one.
 how great is God Al - might - y, who has made all things well. *to Refrain*

One of a series of hymns the author wrote for children on the Apostles' Creed, this text (originally in seven stanzas) expands "Maker of heaven and earth." The first stanza became the refrain when the text was later set to a popular tune from the age of King Charles II.

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 ROSE IN THE CHANCEL is in celebration of the birth of Elizabeth Jane Kosse ("Libby") to parents Lucy & Patrick Kosse.

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS are dedicated to the Glory of God and in memory of Caroline Rankin Mapother, from Edie Wells.

USHERS

Brad Hume, Glen Hume, Linda Watson, Tim Martin, Cathy Martin, Jane Roth

OUR WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Dr. Kim Clayton, preacher; Elizabeth Clay, Lorie Williamson, liturgists

The Sanctuary Choir; Jim Rittenhouse, conductor; Guy Younce, guest organist

Carol Choir - *Krista Mueller, director*

Sarah Arton, Amelia Beck, Ellis Bowman, Sam Bryant, Ellis Clark, Bailey Cook, Piper Farnsley, Theo Hayden, Teddy Mayer, Evelyn Steigerwalt

Chapel Choir - *Lorie Williamson, director*

Elizabeth Arton, Bebe Davis, Reyna Dobbins, Eleanor Farnsley, Isabelle Hayden, Harper Hubbard, Miriam Ransan, McClain Watkins, Ava Wright

Worship Arts - *Ricky Case, director*

Joshua Cook, Lucy Farnsley, William Wright

Evan Vivic, Audiovisual Engineer; William Vivic, camera

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We Lift Up in Prayer

Charles Ratliff, Liz & Jonathan Evans and family on the death of his wife and her mother, Melissa, 10/16/24.

Edith Courtenay and her family on the death of her husband Gouverneur "Bo" Nixon, 9/27/24.

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.

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

Staff

Kimberly Clayton *Interim Pastor & Head of Staff*
Andrew Bowman *Associate Pastor for Community Life*
Elizabeth Clay *Coordinator for Pastoral Care*
Karla Wright *Director of the Weekday School*
Lorie Williamson *Director of Children's & Family Ministry*
Jim Rittenhouse *Director of Worship & Music Ministry*
Ricky Case *Student Music Coordinator*
Diane Jackson *Bookkeeper*
Amy Kiefner *Church Administrator*
Tammy Kissling *Ministry Coordinator for Faith Formation & Mission*
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Paula S. Roberts *Organist Emerita*

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