

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.*

type indicates where to join in liturgy or singing.

Service for the Lord's Day

The Gathering

11 TOLLING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE *Be Still My Soul/It Is Well with My Soul* arr. Phillips
Meme Tunnell, Guest Pianist

PRESENTING THE MEANS OF GRACE

*HYMN 396 *Brethren, We Have Met to Worship* HOLY MANNA

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *read in unison*

Almighty God, you love us, but we have not loved you. You call, but we have not listened. We walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped in our concerns and protecting what is 'ours.' We condone prejudice and greed, turning away from those we deem less worthy of care and compassion. We turn a blind eye to hunger, poverty, and violence even within our own gates. Forgive us, we pray, and turn our hearts toward you and our neighbor who cries for mercy. We ourselves stand in need of your mercy and grace and your power to redeem...

Time for silent prayer.

11 KYRIE *Hear Our Prayer* Mark Patterson

Chapel Choir & Worship Arts

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Help us to turn from our sinful ways; help us to follow you this day.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS *read responsively*

...and to share also the Good News of the Gospel: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and set free to love without counting the cost! Amen.**

*RESPONSE *please rise and sing in unison*

HOLY MANNA

*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.*

**Christ, we know that you are able to bring healing through your cross;
Bring together at your table all for whom you paid the cost.
Though the feasting in your kingdom may still seem so far away,
May we share your meal of welcome as we wait that glorious day.**

*PASSING OF THE PEACE *read responsively*

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

The Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 146

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

ANTHEM

Prayers in the Time of Distress

Philip Moore

(from Three Prayers of Dietrich Bonhoeffer)

The Octet

O Lord God, great is the misery that hath come upon me.
My cares would overwhelm me : I know not what to do.
O God, be gracious unto me and help me;
Grant me strength to bear what Thou dost send, and let not fear rule over me.
As a loving father take care of my loved ones, my wife and my children.
O merciful God, forgive me all the sins I have committed against Thee
and against my fellow men.
I trust in Thy grace and commit my life wholly into Thy hands:
Do with me as seemeth best to Thee and as is best for me.
Whether I live or die I am with Thee and Thou art with me, my god.
Lord, I wait for Thy salvation and for Thy kingdom.

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

SERMON

Waiting Tables: Flip the Script

Rev. Andrew Bowman

The Response

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *read in unison*

from 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

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OFFERTORY

Lead, Kindly Light

(from ETERNAL LIGHT)

Howard Goodall

Lead, kindly light, amid the encircling gloom
Lead Thou me on!

The night is dark, and I am far from home—
Lead Thou me on!

Keep Thou my feet; I do not ask to see
The distant scene—one step enough for me.

I was not ever thus, nor pray'd that Thou
Shouldst lead me on.

I loved to choose and see my path, but now
Lead Thou me on!

I loved the garish day, and, spite of fears,
Pride ruled my will: remember not past years.

So long Thy power hath blest me, sure it still
Will lead me on,
O'er moor and fen, o'er crag and torrent,
till The night is gone;

And with the morn those angel faces smile
Which I have loved long since, and lost
awhile. - *John Henry Newman, 1834*

+DOXOLOGY

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross, st. 4

HAMBURG

**Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small.
Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all!**

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

11 RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Hunter Arton

Elizabeth McKean

Michael Arton

Jack McKean

John “Mac” Barr

Alexandra Ortiz

Ashley Dorsey

Isaac Ortiz

Bruce Hillenmeyer

John Williams

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 39

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS

*BLESSING

POSTLUDE

Fairest Lord Jesus

arr. Phillips

Meme Tunnell, Guest Pianist

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 CHANCEL FLOWERS are given in loving memory of Barbara & George Dudley from Bruce & Joan Dudley, Nancy & Walter Ostertag, and Liz & Rick Haas

USHERS

8:30 a.m. Greg Treitz

11 a.m. Joe Maloney, Nora Maloney, Jane Roth, Patty West, Sasha Bjork-Mayer, Paige Reinstine

OUR WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Andrew Bowman, preacher; Rev. Dr. Kim Clayton, liturgist; Karen Hadley (11), lay reader.

The Octet (8:30); The Sanctuary Choir (11); Jim Rittenhouse, Director; Meme Tunnell, Guest Pianist

Chapel Choir: Lorie Williamson, director

Elizabeth Arton, Reyna Dobbins, Ellie Farnsley, Isabelle Hayden, Miriam Ransan, Genevieve Williams, Una Donan, Coral Mueller, Ava Grace Wright

Worship Arts: Ricky Case, director

Joshua Cook, Lucy Farnsley, William Wright, McClain Watkins, Bebe Davis

Evan Vicic, Audiovisual Engineer; William Vicic, camera (11)

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About the Anthem *“Prayers in Time of Distress”*: British composer Philip Moore set the prayers of Dietrich Bonhoeffer written during his incarceration in Nazi Germany. This particular setting uses a “tritone,” an interval between notes that has historically illustrated unsettledness or discord, which these words certainly evoke. Near the end of the prayer is heard the resolution of the discord as the Octet sings in a major key - until the final phrase is sung with that lingering tritone. Moore perfectly captures the tension between our deep trust in God, and our human doubt and anguish.

We Lift Up in Prayer

David Ellerbusch and family on the death of his wife, Bertha Ellersbusch, 03/01/25.

John Stern and family on the death of his wife, Sharon Stern, 02/16/25.

John, Lindsey, Mary-Hollis, Madeline, and John Hundley Jr. on the death of his father, and their grandfather, Luther Hundley, 2/12/25.

Elaine, John, Sam, Morgan, Henry, Callie, and Thomas Crockett and family on the death of Elaine’s mother, Frances Roberts, 2/6/25.

Brethren, We Have Met to Worship 396

1 Breth-ren, we have met to wor-ship and a - dore the Lord our God.
 2 Sis - ters, will you come and help us? Mo-ses' sis - ter aid - ed him.
 3 Is there here a trem-bling jail-er, seek-ing grace and filled with fears?
 4 Let us love our God su - preme-ly; let us love each oth - er, too.

Will you pray with all your pow - er while we try to preach the word?
 Will you help the trem-bling mourn-ers who are strug-gling hard with sin?
 Is there here a weep-ing Mar - y pour-ing forth a flood of tears?
 Let us love and pray for sin - ners till our God makes all things new.

All is vain un - less the Spir - it of the ho - ly One comes down.
 Tell them all a - bout the Sav - ior. Tell them that he will be found.
 Breth-ren, join your cries to help them; sis - ters, let your prayers a - bound!
 Christ will call us home to heav - en; at his ta - ble we'll sit down.

Breth - ren, pray, and ho - ly man - na will be show-ered all a-round.
 Sis - ters, pray, and ho - ly man - na will be show-ered all a-round.
 Pray, O pray, that ho - ly man - na will be scat-tered all a-round.
 Christ will gird him-self and serve us with sweet man-na all a-round.

This hymn comes out of the early 19th-century southern camp meeting experience, where believers were invited to pray for new converts, often likened to biblical characters such as Paul's jailer (Philippians 1:12-13). As its name shows, the five-note tune was created for this text.

39 Great Is Thy Faithfulness

1 *Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther;
 2 Sum - mer and win - ter, and spring - time and har - vest,
 3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,

there is no shad - ow of turn - ing with thee.
 sun, moon, and stars in their cours - es a - bove
 thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide,

Thou chang - est not; thy com - pas - sions they fail not.
 join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness
 strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row:

As thou hast been thou for - ev - er wilt be.
 to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.
 bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

**Or "Great is thy faithfulness, O God, Creator."*

Written as a meditation on Lamentations 3:22–23, this text is one of the few hymns among the 1200 poems by this Methodist writer and pastor that has gained much currency. The tune that appears here was composed especially for these words, and the pairing has proved enduring.

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