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!



Bold type is sung or read in unison.

Service for the Lord's Day The Gathering

WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

HYMN SING

Eternal Father, Strong to Save

Melita

Eternal Father, strong to save, Whose arm has bound the restless wave, Who bade the mighty ocean deep its own appointed limits keep: O hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea.

O Beautiful for Spacious Skies

MATERNA

O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain, For purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain! America! America! God shed his grace on thee, And crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea!

O beautiful for heroes proved in liberating strife, who more than self their country loved, and mercy more than life! America! America! God mend thine every flaw; confirm thy soul in self-control, thy liberty in law!

Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory

BATTLE HYMN

Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord; He is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored; He has loosed the fateful lightning of his terrible swift sword. God's truth is marching on. (*Refrain*) Glory, glory hallelujah! Glory, glory hallelujah! Glory, glory hallelujah! God's truth is marching on! Men of the Choir: In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea

With a glory in his bosom that transfigures you and me. As he died to make us holy, let us live to make us free, While God is marching on! **Refrain**

PRESENTING THE MEANS OF GRACE

*PRAYER OF ADORATION read in unison

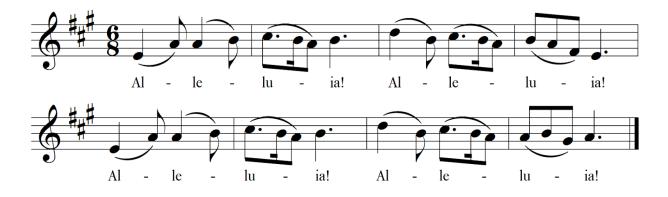
God of promise and purpose, we greet you this day with thankful hearts. As summer begins to blossom, the beauty of your world lifts our spirits in praise. As children grow and students graduate, let their energy and enthusiasm encourage us toward your future. Draw close to us in this hour of worship and show us the promise and purpose in our own lives. May we blossom with your gift of new life, renewed by the energy of your Holy Spirit. Open our eyes to see you as you are, open our ears to hear you as you speak, open our hearts to receive your care and your challenge, that we might be your faithful disciples. Amen.

*RESPONSE

Celtic Alleluia

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

Alleluia!



*PASSING OF THE PEACE read responsively

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

ANTHEM

Elegy

Daniel Elder

The Octet

Day is done, gone the sun from the lakes, from the hills, from the sky. All is well, safely rest: God is nigh. Fading light dims the sight and a star gems the sky, gleaming bright. From afar, drawing nigh, falls the night.

Thanks and praise for our days neath the sun, neath the stars, neath the sky. As we go, this we know: God is nigh. *Horace Lorenzo Trim*

The Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

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

SECOND READING

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Life in the Rearview Mirror

Rev. Dr. Kim Clayton

The Response

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH read in unison

from A Brief Statement of Faith

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal. With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our 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!



Psalm 67

Acts 16:6-15

All Creatures of Our God and King

All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voices, let them ring, Alleluia! Alleluia!

O burning sun with golden beam, and sister moon with softer gleam, Sing praises! Sing praises! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Dear mother earth, who day by day, unfoldest blessing on our way, Sing praises! Alleluia!

The flow'rs and fruits that in thee grow, God's glory let them also show! Sing praises! Sing praises! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*Please stand when invited to sing:

O sisters, brothers, take your part, and worship God with humble heart. Alleluia! Alleluia! All creatures, bless the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Three in One! Sing praises! Sing praises! Alleluia! Alleluia!

SHARING GRACE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

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 295

Go to the World

Sine Nomine

*BLESSING

*POSTLUDE

Fanfare

William Mathias

We are called to go out from our worship to share the grace of the risen Christ with one another and the world. You are welcome to remain seated for the postlude or exit quietly.

In Worship Joday

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 honor the men and women who have served and are serving in the United States Armed Services, and in memory of those who gave their lives in Service.
- THE NARTHEX FLOWERS are given by the family of Joan Gaston in loving memory of her, and to the memory of those who served to keep us safe.

USHERS

Brad Hume, Glen Hume, Jim Haynes, John Bahe, Cheeky Bahe, Tim Martin, Cathy Martin

OUR WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Dr. Kim Clayton, preacher; Rev. Andrew Bowman, liturgist

Evan Vicic, Audiovisual Engineer; William Vicic, Visual Technician

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We Lift Up in Prayer

- Marcy Suter and Brad & Clay Suter on the death of her husband and their father, Ron Suter, 05/18/25.
- Lamar Gaston, Page Penna & Edwin Penna and family on the death of his wife and their mother, Joan Gaston, 05/17/25.

The family of Jean Maxwell on her death, 04/17/25.

The family of Clayton Neff on his death, 04/13/25.

The family of Gigi Dunn on her death, 04/12/25.

The family of Terry Wells on her death, 04/10/25.

Announcements

May 25, 2025

TO OUR VISITORS - Welcome to Second Presbyterian! Please help us get to know you better by filling out an information card (found in the pew pockets). You are welcome to hand the card to a pastor in the Narthex after the service or place it in the offering plate. *Thank you!*

- MAY MISSION OF THE MONTH For the month of May, we are collecting supplies for South Louisville Community Ministries (SLCM). Please see Seconds to Go or the fliers on the information stands throughout the building for a list of requested items.
- COSTA RICA MISSION TRIP is July 7-14, 2025, and is open to high school youth and all adults. On this trip, we will be running a VBS program for kids, sightseeing, and experiencing the local culture. For more information please contact Stan DeVoogd at <u>stanley@crispaz.org</u> or Scott Carothers at <u>scott.chainreactions@gmail.com</u>.
- CHILDCARE/CHILDREN'S CHURCH Children age 3 and under are welcome to stay in the nursery located in Room 120 of Hilbert Hall off of the Weekday School atrium. Older 3's through 3rd grade are encouraged to join Children's Church after the Passing of the Peace. Children can be picked up following worship in rooms 150-154.
- VBS/PROJECT SERVE VOLUNTEERS are needed July 7-11, 8:30 am-12:30 pm. We have a place for you to help for one day or the full week. Please email Lorie Williamson at https://www.lwilliamson@2ndpreslou.org to help.
- LOUISVILLE BATS BASEBALL GAME The Fellowship Committee is organizing a trip to a Bats Game on Sunday, June 8 at 1:00 p.m. Tickets are \$10. The seats are located in the shade, near the playground, and the kids get to run the bases after the game! For more information about tickets contact Crystal at <u>twoclks@gmail.com</u>.
- SUMMER CHOIR begins June 18! Come find out what Choir is all about at Second! High-schoolers on up are welcome no experience needed. We rehearse June 18 & 25 and July 16 all at 7, and sing for the 10 a.m. worship services through July. Call Jim at 502-645-2256 (or text if you like).
- VESPERS @ SECOND June 15 at 6:30 p.m. in the Chapel Circle. Joining us are Worship Leaders Shauntrece and Danley Pyles from Sojourn Church - it will be a night of Praise, Worship, and Song! Don't miss these wonderful musicians! Bring a chair, and a friend!
- FLOWERS FOR THE SANCTUARY We are in need of memorial flowers for the Sunday services on June 8 and June 22. Anyone interested can contact Nancy Hubbard at 939-5744.

Upcoming Events - May 25, 2025

Sunday, May 25 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	<i>Sixth Sunday of Easter - First Sa</i> Adult Faith Formation Service for the Lord's Day Children's Church	<i>unday of One Service at 10</i> Rooms 251, 252, Parlor, JFH Sanctuary/Live Streamed Rooms 150-154
Monday, May 26	The building is closed in observance of Memorial Day	
Wednesday, May 28 7:00 p.m.	Sanctuary Choir	Choir Room
Thursday, May 29 1:00 p.m.	SPOT: Mah Jongg	Room 168
Friday, May 30 7:00 a.m.	Men's Weekly Bible Study	Room 251
Saturday, May 31 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	Ron Suter Memorial - Visitation Ron Suter Memorial - Service Ron Suter Memorial - Reception	Narthex Sanctuary JFHA
Sunday, June 1 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	<i>Seventh Sunday of Easter - Holy</i> Adult Faith Formation Service for the Lord's Day Children's Church	<i>Communion</i> Rooms 251, 252, Parlor, JFH Sanctuary/Live Streamed Rooms 150-154
Tuesday, June 3 10:00 a.m. 5:30 p.m.	SPOT: Walkers SPOT: Book Notes	Offsite Parlor
Thursday, June 5 1:00 p.m.	SPOT: Mah Jongg	Room 168
Friday, June 6 7:00 a.m.	Men's Weekday Bible Study	Room 251
Sunday, June 8 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	<i>Trinity Sunday</i> Adult Faith Formation Service for the Lord's Day Children's Church Reception for Mengfei	Rooms 251, 252, Parlor, JFH Sanctuary/Live Streamed Rooms 150-154 JFHA
11:45 a.m. 11:45 a.m.	SPOT: Busy Needles SPOT: Sunday Singles	Parlor 211 Clover Lane

Please visit <u>2ndpreslou.org/calendar</u>, or scan this QR code, for a complete list of events at Second. See our weekly email, Seconds to Go, for details about upcoming activities and Zoom links. To learn more about the ministries at Second, contact us at <u>info@2ndpreslou.org</u> or 502-895-3483.

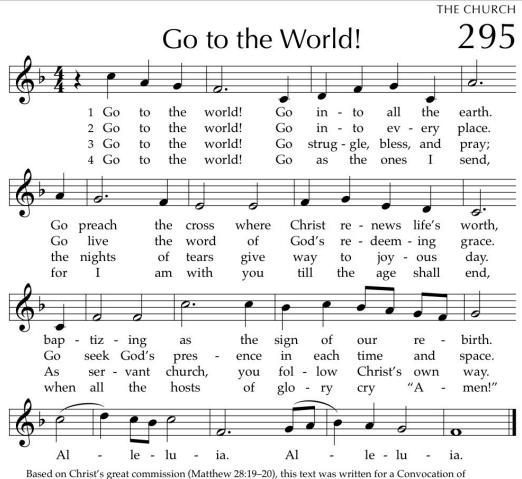


CREATION AND PROVIDENCE



Originally cast as two eight-line stanzas, this 19th-century paraphrase of Psalm 150 was slightly shortened when it was set to the present tune with recurring Alleluias. The Welsh tune is actually older than the text and bears a name meaning "the church of St. Mary."

TEXT: Henry Francis Lyte, 1834; rev. 1836, alt. MUSIC: Robert Williams, 1817; harm. David Evans, 1927 *Music Harm.* © 1927 Oxford University Press LLANFAIR 7.7.7.7 with alleluias



Based on Christ's great commission (Matthew 28:19–20), this text was written for a Convocation o Emmanuel College in Toronto, the largest theological school of the United Church of Canada, a denomination formed by the union of Methodists, Congregationalists, and Presbyterians.

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