

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 451-853

PRESENTING THE MEANS OF GRACE

*HYMN (*in back of bulletin*) *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

BLAENWERN

Choir will introduce vs 1;

Congregation will be invited to stand and sing all verses; please find the music in the back of the bulletin.

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION *read in unison*

Eternal God, we confess that we have tried to hide from you, for we have done wrong. We have lived for ourselves, and apart from you. We turned away from our neighbors in need. We have refused to bear the burdens of others. We have ignored the pain so prevalent in the world and have passed by those who are hungry, oppressed, and afraid. In your great mercy, forgive us and turn us from self-concern to concern for others. Help us to extend hospitality and to reach out in generosity because we see your face in all those around us.

Time for silent prayer.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

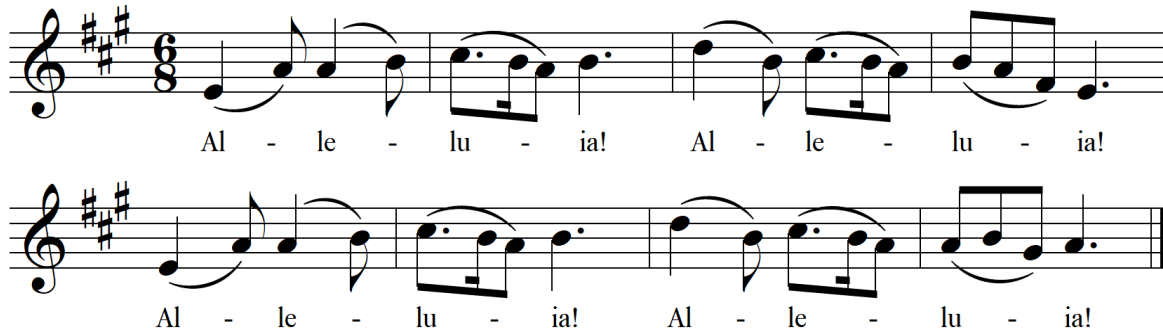
Be thankful and be raised to a new life!

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God for this amazing grace!

*RESPONSE

Alleluia!

CELTIC ALLELUIA



*PASSING OF THE PEACE *read responsively*

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

The Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14

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

SECOND READING

Luke 9:51-62

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

SERMON

Watch and See

Rev. Andrew Bowman

The Response

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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!



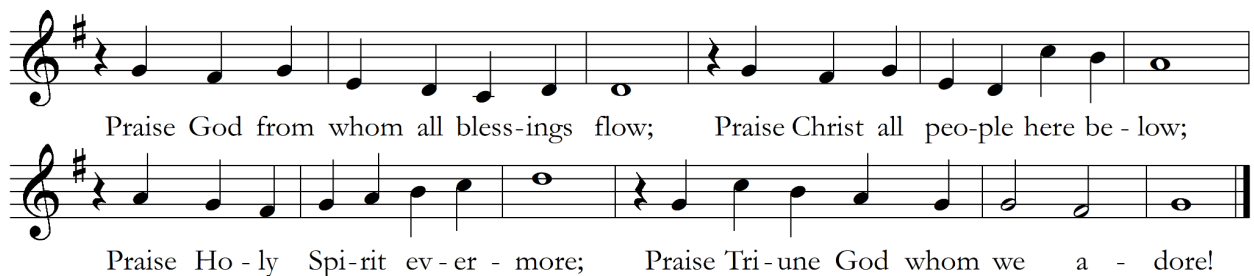
ANTHEM

Upon Your Heart
The Sanctuary Choir

Eleanor Daley

Set me as a seal upon your heart, as a seal upon your arm, for love is strong as death.
Many waters cannot quench love, neither can the floods drown it.
If you keep my commandments, you shall abide in my love,
love one another as I have loved you, then shall your joy be complete.

*DOXOLOGY 608 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* PRAISE GOD (HOPSON)



*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SHARING GRACE

PASTORAL PRAYER

...we pray it now and once again in anticipation and hope, saying:

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

O Jesus, I Have Promised

ANGEL'S STORY

O Jesus, I have promised to serve you to the end;
Be now and always near me, my Master and my friend;
I shall not fear the battle if you are by my side,
nor wander from the pathway if you will be my guide.

O let me feel you near me! The world is ever near:
I see the sights that dazzle; the tempting sounds I hear.
My foes are ever near me, around me and within;
but, Jesus, draw still nearer and shield my soul from sin.

O let me hear you speaking in accents clear and still,
above the storms of passion, the murmurs of self will;
O speak to reassure me, to hasten or control;
O speak, and make me listen, true guardian of my soul.

O Jesus, you have promised to all who follow you
that where you are in glory your servant shall be too.
And, Jesus, I have promised to serve you to the end;
now give me grace to follow, my Master and my friend.

*BLESSING

POSTLUDE

Time Dance on Veni Creator

Jean-Baptiste Robin

*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 Today

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS are given in memory of H. Scott Davis by DeeDee, David and Kim Davis Bowman, and his loving grandchildren.

USHERS

Joe Moloney, Nora Moloney, John Bahe, Cheeky Bahe, Patrick Kosse, Lucy Kosse.

OUR WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Andrew Bowman, preacher; Jonathan Evans, lay reader.

The Sanctuary Choir; Jim Rittenhouse, conductor; Mengfei Xu, organist.

Evan Vivic, Audiovisual Engineer; William Vivic, Visual Technician

ABOUT THE COVER:

Our church observes this time in the liturgical calendar as “Ordinary Time” - that season from Pentecost through Christ the King Sunday. “Ordinary” does not refer to being mundane, but comes from the Latin “ordinal,” or the numbering of Sundays. The lectionary in Ordinary Time often patterns itself thematically after the primary feasts of Epiphany and Pentecost, inviting the Church to examine the many ways that Jesus Christ is revealed to the world, and affording the saints ample opportunity to plumb his sermons and parables with a mind toward discerning the Spirit’s call today. The liturgical color is that of new life and growth, which is represented on our cover by the image of a tree in blossom. (Explanation adapted from Scott Szabo, Presbyterians Today.)

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We Lift Up in Prayer

Van Hoagland and family on the death of her mother, Adeline Hoagland, 06/24/25.

Shirley Rutledge, Michelle & Paul Costel, and Paul & John Costel, on the death of husband, father, and grandfather William (“Bill”) Joseph Rutledge, 06/10/25.

Paul and Mary Ayers & family on the death of Paul’s sister, Judy Hudson, 06/09/25.

Julie, Bill, and Rease Baustien and family on the death of Julie’s father, Jim Baker, 05/31/25.

Susan & Randy Bugh, Taylor & Kathryn Bugh and family on the death of Susan's mother and Taylor's grandmother, Carol Gray, 05/26/25.

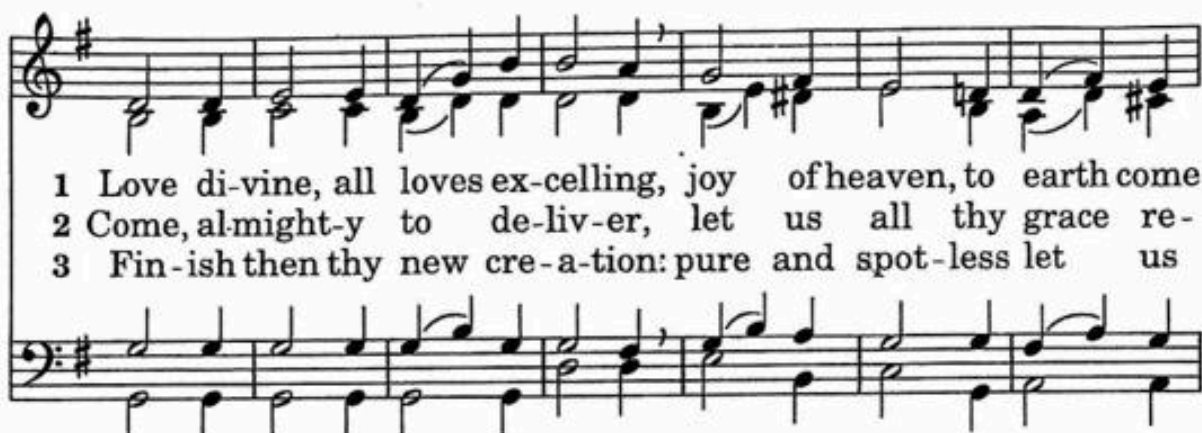
Andrea, Kyle, Kathryn, & Zara Wiggins on the death of Andrea’s father, Robert Patterson, 05/26/25.

Marcy Suter and Brad & Clay Suter on the death of her husband and their father, Ron Suter, 05/18/25.

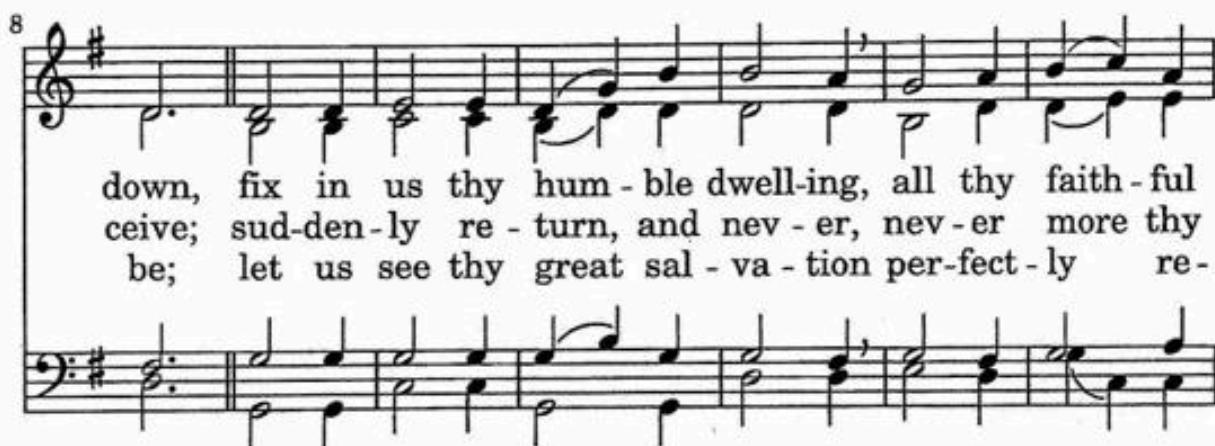
Lamar Gaston, Page Penna & Edwin Penna and family on the death of his wife and their mother, Joan Gaston, 05/17/25.

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

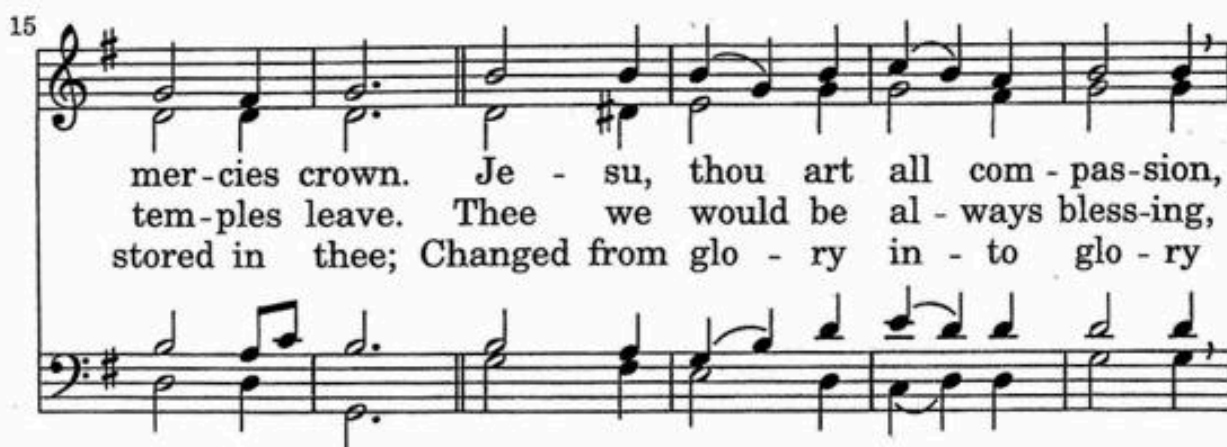
BLAENWERN



1 Love di-vine, all loves ex-celling, joy of heaven, to earth come
2 Come, al-might-y to de-liv-er, let us all thy grace re-
3 Fin-ish then thy new cre-a-tion: pure and spot-less let us



8 down, fix in us thy hum-ble dwell-ing, all thy faith-ful
ceive; sud-den-ly re-turn, and nev-er, nev-er more thy
be; let us see thy great sal-va-tion per-fect-ly re-



15 mer-cies crown. Je-su, thou art all com-pas-sion,
tem-ples leave. Thee we would be al-ways bless-ing,
stored in thee; Changed from glo-ry in-to glo-ry

21

pure un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with
serve thee as thy hosts a - bove; pray, and praise thee,
till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our

27

thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - ery trem - bling heart.
with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.
crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise.

BLAENWERN is a Welsh Christian hymn tune composed by William Penfro Rowlands (1860–1937), during the Welsh revival of 1904–1905. It was first published in Henry H. Jones' *Cân a Moliant* (1915). For more about this hymn:

Timothy Dudley-Smith. "Love divine, all loves excelling." *The Canterbury Dictionary of Hymnology*. Canterbury Press, accessed June 26, 2025,
<http://www.hymnology.co.uk/1/love-divine,-all-loves-excelling>.

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