

SECOND THOUGHTS

A monthly reflection on the ministries of Second Presbyterian Church of Louisville



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SECOND Presbyterian CHURCH

*Sharing the grace of God with
one another and the world
around us.*

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Dear Friends,

A recent article in the Courier-Journal addressed why so many Americans have stopped attending church and referenced surveys done to determine the reasons. Among the more significant reasons were “widespread child abuse in the Catholic Church, use of the Bible to score political points and the too-frequent requests for money.”

That last reason got my attention because it is “stewardship season.” It is traditional during October and November to focus on securing financial support for the church and its mission during the following calendar year. After several weeks of testimony and correspondence comes Dedication Sunday – this year November 12 – on which we make a public commitment to fund the ministries of this church by coming forward to drop our pledge or commitment card in the basket. After Dedication Sunday, with the exception of a few reports and reminders, that’s it for financial stewardship.

Traditionally we have relied upon pledges – upfront commitments to give a certain amount of money during the year – to fund ministry. Yet the number of pledgers at Second has declined over the years. Giving has stayed steady mainly because of the increased and generous giving of older adults, many of whom are well into their 80’s. At the same time non-pledged giving has increased, already doubling in 2023 what was given in all of 2022.

Going forward I believe financial stewardship will need to be a more frequent topic. I know that in some churches there are seemingly unrelenting “asks.” I also know that for many of us it is deeply uncomfortable to discuss money and faith, even branding it inappropriate. Yet Jesus spoke more about money and faith than anything other than the Kingdom of God. Why? Because attitudes about and use of money are strong indicators of what we value and who or what we trust.

Do you value what Second Presbyterian offers and stands for? Do you value a community of friendships, quality music and worship, formation ministries for you, your children and your youth, people who care and support you in hard times, knowing you have a place to say goodbye to a loved one, celebrate a wedding or a baptism, hear “good news” (the gospel) that you won’t hear anywhere else, take part in service to others, wrestle with the issues of the day from a faith perspective?

Our Presbyterian tradition says the heart of the Christian life is a grateful response to the myriad graces of God in our lives. Take a few moments and consider how God’s grace touches you through the life and mission of this congregation and respond with a grateful heart. The use of our money and other resources for God’s purposes can be a joyful, moving, and profoundly spiritual experience. Let’s talk about it!

Grace and peace, Steve

Worship & Music



in recital

Sunday, November 19, 3 p.m.



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Concert 1
Thursday
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7:30pm

Second
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Concert 2
Friday

November 3rd

8:00 pm

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Upcoming WORSHIP & MUSIC

November 5: ALL SAINTS COMMUNION

Rev. Dr. Andrew Pomerville, guest preacher:
Octet & Sanctuary Choir; Samuel Libra, organ

November 12: DEDICATION SUNDAY

Blessing of our pledges; Dedication of the John
Challis harpsichord given by Mrs. Robert Fischer
-Octet, Sanctuary Choir,
Samuel Libra, organ & harpsichord

November 19: THANKSGIVING SUNDAY

Austin Memorial Handbells, Octet & Sanctuary
Choir; Samuel Libra, organ

November 26: CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

Octet & Sanctuary Choir; Samuel Libra, organ

8:30 a.m. in Chapel
11 a.m. in Sanctuary

ADVENT at Second

SUNDAYS - December 3 & 10

8:30 in Chapel; 11 in Sanctuary/Livestream

“Sing in Exultation” - December 17 - 8:30 & 11

Musical Celebration of Joy Sunday

Choir, Handbells, Organ, Brass & Orchestra

Both services in the Sanctuary / Livestream at 11

SUNDAY, December 24 - One Service at 11 a.m. - Sanctuary / Livestream

Christmas Eve Candlelight Services

Candlelight Family Service, 5 p.m. / Sanctuary (Livestream)

Candlelight Lessons in Carols & Communion, 9 p.m. / Sanctuary (Livestream)

Candlelight Service & Communion, 11 p.m. in Chapel

A Message from Stewardship

One of the important traditions we have at 2nd Pres is Stewardship Sunday, when we ask our congregation to come forward with their pledges for the following year. Those pledges serve several goals: first, to enable us to support the needs of our mission partners, both at home and abroad; second, to maintain the building and grounds of our church, compensate our staff fairly, and continue our many church activities; third, to allow us to anticipate our future income and budget accordingly; and fourth, and most importantly, to return to God in some small measure a portion of the many blessings He has bestowed upon us.

Our congregation has always responded generously, and for that, we cannot say "thank you" enough. Your support keeps food on the table and clothes on the backs of the poor and homeless, and keeps the lights on and the doors open in our church.

Stewardship Sunday is November 12. When you consider your pledge for 2024, we hope you will keep our many blessings in mind, and remember that our mission dollars support the needs of those less fortunate. We also anticipate significant church maintenance costs for the coming year, which will require additional income.

Celebrating a generous gift to Second



On November 12, we will feature our new harpsichord in 11:00 a.m. worship. The instrument was built by pioneering American harpsichord-builder John Challis, and was a generous gift of member Roberta Fischer. The instrument features seven pedals to operate the two sets of keyboards four sets of strings. To showcase the instrument's versatility, our worship will offer a variety of music by Bach and Handel, in which the instrument shines!

We are grateful to Mrs. Roberta Fischer and her daughter Sarah Foster for arranging for this gift to be shared with Second Presbyterian.

Advent Service & Workshop

Sunday, December 3rd

5:30pm

RSVP for dinner to Tammy Kissling
at tkissling@2ndpreslou.org

Save the Date!

Art Camp: 5/28-5/31, 6/3-6/7

Smiley Camp: 6/10-6/14, 6/17-6/21

Passport Camp: 6/24-6/27
(overnight camp, completed 4th-6th graders)

Vacation Bible School/Project Serve: 7/8-7/12

Summer Music Blast: 7/29-7/31

SUMMER
2024

PARENT'S NIGHT OUT

Saturday, November 18th 5:00-8:30pm

\$15.00/child \$25.00 Family Cap

Need a break?

Pack a dinner and have the kiddos join us for a fun filled night of crafts, gym time, story telling and more!

Contact Lorie Williamson at
lwilliamson@2ndpreslou.org for more information.

Weekday School

Zooming In: How Documentation Helps Us Connect More Closely with Children Hayley Abell, Director

A magical moment happened in our older toddler classroom when a child became interested in my pencil and the document on which I had been recording notes. She sat on the floor and began making marks on my paper. A few peers nearby noticed her focused attention. They watched her move the pencil rapidly from one side of the paper to the other, bending over to get closer and closer to her marks. Some children wished to use the pencil themselves while others commented on what she was doing: “Pencil...drawing...oh, circles!” An excited energy developed among several children. The teachers quickly offered pencils, pens, markers, pieces of drawing paper, and sticky notes at a table. [Children immediately swarmed the table, feverishly generating marks.](#) They researched the relationship between their movements and the marks which appeared on their paper: staccato dots, long pulls of lines, tight zigzags, and loopy circles. This buzzing exploration gently ended after about ten minutes when it was time to transition outside to play.



This short story of the toddler room’s interest in mark making was thrilling to watch in real time. One child’s initial curiosity and engagement with new materials quickly unfolded into a dynamic group interest. What comes next is up to the teachers. They can utilize the documentation gathered during this mark making experience to hypothesize what felt important to the children and how to further support this emergent inquiry in the following days and weeks.



Documentation can come in many forms: anecdotal notes, photographs, video and audio recordings, children’s work, and more. These are the tools we use to observe and reflect on important classroom moments so we can plan our curriculum. We cannot see every child’s intentions and actions in a moment nor contain all we do perceive in our memories for long. Instead, we can see children more fully when we review documentation and discuss with our teaching partners and teams. This is based on the pedagogical approach from Reggio Emilia, Italy, our greatest educational influence. As one Reggio Emilia educator, Sara De Poi, said: “Never underestimate children’s processes nor consider a scribble just a scribble.”

So, as the toddler teachers carefully comb through the pile of sticky notes and drawing paper, the photographs, and the short video segment, they can start to meet up with their children’s minds and intentionally offer open-ended avenues for further investigation of mark making. Through this process, they respectfully plan curriculum specific to this group of children and embark on a new learning adventure with them.



Kickball
Razzle Dazzle
BADMINTON
Volleyball
Devotional
BATTLE BALL
FLOOR HOCKEY
ULTIMATE SOCCER

Begins
November 7!

*EVERYONE IS
WELCOME!
BRING YOUR "A"
GAME!*

Every Tuesday, 7-9pm!

High School Girls Bible Study

LED BY BECKY LYLES

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9

AT 8PM

Becky Lyles' House

Reach out to Tammy
Kissling for the address.

tkissling@2ndpreslou.org

2PY FRIENDSGIVING

PROGRESSIVE DINNER & LOCK IN

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11

Meet at Second at 6:00pm. From there we will travel to our first location for appetizers, to our next location for dinner, and then back to the church for dessert and games.



Youth

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

HS BOYS FOOTBALL WATCH PARTY

3:00 - 5:00PM

LOCATION TBD

Sunday Mornings

Breakfast available at 10:00am
for all children, youth, and their families

Activity Room & Game Room
open for enjoyment at 10:00am

Youth Devotion at 10:30am
for youth in grades 7-12

Sermon Scripture Snapshot
for all looking for a preview of the day's scripture



**BREAKFAST
AND
BIBLES**

SHARING THE GRACE OF GOD WITH ONE ANOTHER
AND THE WORLD AROUND US.

**Join us in the
Youth Suite!**

**2PY
SKI TRIP**

PEEK N' PEAK RESORT
CLYMER, NY

January 12-15

\$100 DEPOSIT DUE NOVEMBER 19

Adult Formation

Zoom links to adult education programs can be found in *Seconds to Go*.

You may also contact the church office: tkissling@2ndpreslou.org or 502-895-3483.

Morning Joy

Led by Rev. Steve Jester on Thursday mornings beginning at 9:30 a.m. with coffee and fellowship in the Fellowship Hall (the official class time is 9:45 a.m.). After class a small discussion group convenes for those who wish to participate. All are welcome! Participants can attend in person (in the Fellowship Hall), or they can attend virtually via Zoom.

A Zoom link is sent out every Thursday morning.

Biblical Studies

Led by Dr. Acton Ostling, Jr., the class meets in-person on Sunday mornings at 9:30 a.m. in Room 252. If interested in receiving the announcements or emails, whether or not you are a regular member, please email Dr. Ostling at lingjr@twc.com.

Pathways

This Sunday Pathways begins a five-part series on how we can all learn to approach and process grief (our own and others) in a more spiritual, holistic and effective way. Class leaders will be Mary Clay Edinger and Lydia Aldridge, both of whom will earn Masters' degrees in Marriage and Family Therapy next spring at LPTS. Class begins in Fellowship Hall "A" at 9:45 a.m. and everyone is welcome to attend and learn! The Zoom link is in *Seconds to Go* which is sent out every Friday. Please come join us!

Reading the Bible

Led by Dr. Marty Soards, Retired Professor of New Testament Studies at Louisville Seminary, the class meets on Sunday mornings at 9:45 a.m. in the Parlor and via Zoom. We are now studying the book of Acts, and we would be glad to have anyone join us who is interested in such Bible study.

Men's Bible Study

Men's Bible Study meets in Room 251 and via Zoom at 7 a.m. on Friday mornings. Dr. Marty Soards, Retired Professor of New Testament Studies at Louisville Seminary leads the session.

Raising Our Faith

Rev. Dr. Tom Sweets is leading a class that meets on Sunday mornings at 9:45 a.m. in Fellowship Hall B.

Sisters in Spirit

A warm, welcoming, and supportive group of ladies that enjoy a special time of fellowship and book discussion around topics that help us grow in our everyday faith. We generally meet on the second Tuesday of the month 7–9 p.m. in the home of a church member. Open to adult women of all ages and stages of life. Join us when you are able (it's ok if you have to miss a month or two, you are always welcome to come as you are able).

Sisters in Spirit will meet Tuesday, November 14 at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Jeanne Curtis, RSVP to jeannecurtis@bellsouth.net if you're able to attend. The discussion will focus on the second section of the book *The God of the Way: A Journey Into the Stories, People, and Faith That Changed the World Forever* by Kathie Lee Gifford and Rabbi Jason Sobel.

Mission

NOVEMBER MISSION OF THE MONTH CABBAGE PATCH CHRISTMAS

Help us raise \$20,000 which will provide Christmas blessings for 60+ Cabbage Patch individuals.

How you can help:

Make a donation during the month of November

Saturday, Dec. 2 - Go shopping for our Cabbage Patch families

Sunday, Dec. 3 - Wrap the gifts as a church family in the Gym

Saturday, Dec. 9 - Deliver Christmas gifts to The Patch families



See the table in the Narthex on Sunday mornings
to sign up or to get more information.



You Shine God's Love & Grace When You Support A Cabbage Patch Family

Sandra is a loving and dedicated mother. She makes sure her children are involved at the Patch and that they are doing well in school. But she works a job that barely covers the costs of feeding, clothing, and providing a house for a growing family of four. She "lives in fear" that her car will break down or she might run out of sick time when one of her children becomes ill which results in her not being paid. Adding to her stress is thinking about how she is going to provide Christmas gifts and a nice dinner for her family on Christmas day without going more in debt. (She has been working so hard to pay off old debt.) Because of you, Sandra and her children, and other Patch families will experience the joy of Christmas and the assurance that God hears their needs.

Our goal this year is to raise \$20,000 which would provide Christmas blessings for 60+ Cabbage Patch individuals. Thank you for your past support; will you consider giving a gift again this year to make Christmas magical for the children of the Patch?

Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who donated to WGCA for our October Mission of the Month. Your ongoing support of our mission partners is greatly appreciated.

Mission Continued

Second Receives Award from Shively Area Ministries



More and more people in Louisville need some sort of assistance, financial or otherwise, in order to keep their lights on, water flowing, food in their bellies, and their rent paid. The Association of Community Ministries in Louisville works tirelessly to combat these issues and more.

Shively Area Ministries (SAM), one of Second's mission partners, serves nearly 14,000 people in such circumstances, and has prevented evictions for nearly one person daily in its neighborhood of zip code 40216. At the last annual count, SAM kept utilities turned on for 2,150 people -- six people a day, fed over 6,100 households, and delivered 4,500 meals via Meals on Wheels. SAM also helps with transportation costs, medical needs, and social service references.

Second has helped this community ministry with funding and provided volunteers for about three years. Jodie Goldberg, Janet Rittenhouse, and Terry Cissell have made many Meals on Wheels runs over the course of months. The personal contact and relationships established have been important to the homebound receiving the deliveries of food.

Jodie has maintained a library open to the public, with books taken for free. The children's books that Second's congregants have provided fly off the shelves. It has been rewarding to know that children are actually reading or being read to.

This combination of volunteerism and funds was recognized on September 28 by SAM's executives at its annual fundraising dinner event.

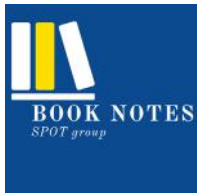
Receiving SAM's plaque of recognition in the photo: Janet Rittenhouse and Sue Rogers. Both Janet and Sue are active members of Second's mission committee, which determined SAM's ministry should receive funding support.

Awarding the plaque: Angie Hare, operations manager, and Mark Shircliffe, executive director of SAM.



Second Presbyterian Options Together

A small group ministry of Second Presbyterian Church
SPOT serves to unite people who share a common interest and deepen their faith in Christ through building relationships



Book Notes

Each month since 2011, a member of our group selects a book, researches the author, reviews the book, and then the group discusses it at our monthly meeting. We meet on the first Tuesday of the Month at 10:00 am in the church parlor. We faithfully support UCHM food pantry.

Contact Larry Sloan: (502) 552-3990,
larry.sloan@yahoo.com



2nd Act

We believe that music is a gift from God which transcends barriers of race, gender, and language. 2nd Act has brought voices together for over 25 years, and with joy, we take our gift to those in need of song to encourage, uplift and spur spiritual growth. We meet every Wednesday at 10:00 am and perform at various residential facilities in the area. We meet in the Choir Room on Wednesdays at 10:00 am, when we are not performing.

Contact Susan Langford: (502) 897-3789,



Busy Needles

We meet twice a month in the Parlor: second Sunday after church, and the fourth Thursday at 11:00 am (see church calendar). Our consistent projects are Prayer Shawls and Throws for our members, their family and friends. But, we also work on other projects for various groups and organizations both locally and worldwide. All ages and skill levels are welcome!

Contact Mary Ayers: (502) 429-3415



Pilates

Pilates classes will be on Monday night in the Narthex at 5:30. Susan Schmidt will continue to teach these classes. I have taught over 25 years and own a Pilates studio, Pure Movement Louisville. If you have any questions, please email me at puremovementlv@gmail.com or call or text me at 523-5934. Pilates is for strength, conditioning, balance, flexibility, coordination, concentration, control, precision and flow. The emphasis is on the core. It will improve your posture, help prevent injury, strengthen bones and help reduce anxiety.

Contact Susan Schmidt: (502) 523-5934,
puremovementlv@gmail.com



Dinner Groups

A time to share over a good meal, we have multiple groups, some meet in homes, some at restaurants. Our groups meet throughout the year. Seeking those interested in joining a group or starting one!

Contact Cheryl Cooper: (502) 417-3999,
cheryltcooper@gmail.com



Garden Spot

A new group for those interested in gardening. We will visit local gardens of distinction; invite local garden "gurus" to speak; and share ideas and experiences.

Contact Joan Gaston: (502) 896- 8322,
jgaston813@gmail.com



Prayer Group

Everyone is invited to pray through our weekly prayer list the second Wednesday of the month at 10:00 am in Room 251. All are welcome to pray, young and old, new Christians or lifetime believers.

Contact Eunice Shishmanian: (617) 710-8189 or Evelyn Hwang: (502) 228-8765



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Spot Walkers

The SPOT Walkers meet the first and third Tuesday of each month at 10:00 am. Our walks are no more than two miles. When the weather is nice we walk at various outdoor spots; when the weather is not so nice we walk inside the Oxmoor Mall. Everyone is invited! We share lots of conversation as we walk, and we continue our conversation over coffee after our walk.

Contact Valerie Dreher: (502) 552-8918
 or (502) 618-3732

If you are interested in starting a SPOT group or if you would like more information on SPOT groups please contact Sunny Seale: (571) 438-8393.

SPOT NEWS:

**2nd Act's:
 November Schedule**



November 1	10:30	Episcopal Church Homes 1201 Lyndon Lane
November 8	10:30	Forest Hills 4701 Taylorsville Rd.
November 15	10:30	Vitality at Springdale 4501 Springdale Rd.
November 29	11:00	Treyton Oak Towers 211 W. Oak St.

Dinner Groups:



Most of our dinner groups are reorganizing in order to meet new members and to renew friendships. If you haven't already done so for this year, please send me your contact information, and we will form some new dinner groups before the Holidays.

- Cheryl Cooper
 cheryltcooper@gmail.com

Presbyterian Union

On the first Tuesday of each month (usually), people gather downtown for the fellowship of a lunch, followed by a speaker and discussion around a wide variety of topics-- church and culture issues, faith questions, the changing face of Louisville, topics of personal interest. Think of it as a quick retreat with some friends from different places to think about the world of work and living from a different direction. All are welcome, so please invite guests.

TOPIC: "Meet the 11th President of Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary"

SPEAKER: The Rev. Dr. Andrew Pomerville, President of the Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary



The Rev. Dr. Pomerville was the Assistant Vice President for community and the founding director of the Center for College and Community Engagement at Alma College. He was also the college's Senior Chaplain. At Alma College, he co-led efforts to raise \$2 million to renovate the historic chapel.

He was ordained in the PC (USA) 2007. He served at the Church in the Hills (Bellaire, MI) where he created a community youth center and established a monthly free meal within the county. He was head of staff for The People's Church of East Lansing. While at the People's Church, Pomerville started new ministries that focused on ecumenical partnerships, racial justice and active involvement in city and state planning. He also served as Chaplain for the Police Department in Lansing.

The Rev. Dr. Pomerville was named one of ten Church Financial Leadership Coaches. He was awarded the Executive Certificate for Religious Fundraising from the Lake Institute for Religious Fundraising. He has been a champion for anti-racism policies and LGBTQIA+ affirming practices in education and in the church.

He received a Bachelor's degree in history from Alma College, a Master of Divinity from Princeton Theological Seminary and a Doctor of Ministry from Pittsburgh Theological Seminary/University of Aberdeen, Scotland. He holds a certificate in Adaptive Leadership from Michigan State University's College of Business.

Where: Vincenzo's, The Courtyard Room 105 South 5th Street
Lunch: buffet salad and entrée, dessert, iced tea
Cost: **\$25.00** including gratuity

When: **TUESDAY, November 7, 2023,** at 11:30 am

RSVP: If you will attend, please notify by 4:00 pm Monday, November 6 (if accepting) E-mail Ann or Ivan Schell at adschell@bellsouth.net or phone 894-8440

Mark your calendars for future meetings (always first Tuesday):

Parking: Parking is on 5th Street either on the street or across Market (one way east) at the Stock Yards parking sign on the south side of Market between 5th and 6th or at the National City Bank Building (entrances on 5th, near Main, and Main Street [one way west] on left immediately before 5th).

Payment: Please pay at door by cash or check.

Cancellation: If you make a reservation and do not cancel before 9:00 am on the day of the presentation, we must ask that you pay.

Presbyterian Women of Second

2023-24 The Presbyterian Women of Second meet at 10:00 a.m. on the second Tuesday of each month, next on November 14th, for Bible study and fellowship. All women at Second are invited to join us. A Zoom option is available.

Zoom Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84648264838?pwd=aEROQjUvZG9PQnV0NG9hZkFRUWdrQT09>

Meeting ID: 846 4826 4838

Passcode:056675

The 23-24 Horizons Bible study is “Sacred Encounters: The Power and Presence of Jesus Christ in Luke-Acts” by Olive Mahabir. Each lesson explores a sacred encounter with Jesus, as well as, a transformative experience for the present. Books are available for \$10. Lesson Three artwork is “Touch of Faith”.

PW Mid-Kentucky made a donation of \$1,000 to “Play Cousins” and gave 200 books for the “Bread and Books” program at Shawnee Presbyterian Church.

Portland Avenue Presbyterian Church continues to appreciate our 4th Tuesday lunches for their “Senior Café” program. presbyterianwomen.org website has opportunities to subscribe to the Horizons Magazine, as well as, find information about Presbyterian Women in God’s world.

As we pray for peace and comfort in our world, may the love of Christ and the joy of our friendships be with you, now, as always, In Christ,

Amy Parker, Moderator Amyparker158@hotmail.com (502) 897-5076 home or (502)641-9204 call or text.

Kilgore Korner



Kilgore Korner

Barry Winstead M.Div., M.A., LMFT
Clinical Director, Kilgore Samaritan Counseling Center

The Power of Thanks

What is it about the experience of giving and receiving thanks that makes it so powerful? From what I could find the word’s origins are Old English and Germanic and include sentiments such as favor, grace, pleasure, satisfaction, good will, and simply thought. We typically thank someone for doing something for us or they thank us for doing something for them which gives it a transactional quality. In addition to a transaction what if we added an existential quality. How often do you thank someone for being who they are? I know I don’t do it enough, but I think it can be such a powerful way to validate each other. Ok, so since I’m a therapist I must ask, how would you feel if someone thanked you for being you? What would that really mean to you?

A big part of what we do in counseling/therapy is get to know and thank people for who they are because it is usually those very qualities that get them through whatever they are going through. They just needed to be reminded or rediscover who they are. If you or someone you know needs help reconnecting with themselves or each other please reach out to us at 502-327-4622 or www.kilgorecounseling.org.

Peace, Barry

Reflections Group Celebrates the Return of Morning Joy

The Reflections group, which meets each Thursday following Morning Joy, enjoyed lunch together in early September to celebrate the beginning of the Fall session of Morning Joy.



Care for the Caregiver

Are you helping a loved one with impairments related to aging, disability, or a mental disorder? Are you taking care of someone who has a chronic illness, managing medications, or taking care of household chores, meals, and healthcare for someone who cannot perform these tasks alone? If you answered yes to any of these, then you are a caregiver.

Caregivers hold it all together or have the overwhelming feeling that they must hold it together because no one else can. Caring for your loved one can lead to isolation, depression, chronic health issues, and poor quality of life. The Deacons here at Second see how important it is to support its members who hold the role of caregiver.

The caregiver support group meets on the second Monday of each month at 4:00 p.m. These remote monthly Zoom meetings provide resources, education, guest speakers, and a safe space for support and assistance in finding solutions to the challenges of caregiving. If you are interested in joining or learning more, please contact the office or reach out to Elizabeth Clay, eclay@2ndpreslou.org, or Deacon Cathy Hollander.

passages

We remember in prayer...

Kyle Wiggins and his family on the death of his father, Mac, 10/14/23.

Eric Jaegers and his family on the death of his mother, Pat, 10/9/23.

The family and friends of Ellie Salsbury on her death, 10/7/23.

Gene Smith and his family on the death of his sister, Rose Ann O'Daniel, 9/20/23.

Ellen McCarty and her family on the death of her mother, Donna Gill, 9/14/23.

Nancy Thomas and her family on the death of her sister, Mary Helm Myers, 9/9/23.

Eleanor Maddox, Toby Nutt, and their families on the death of husband and stepfather, Bob Maddox, 9/7/23.

Penney Carneal and her family on the death of her brother, Lynn Phifer, 8/14/23.

Ed & Mary F. Glasscock and their family on the death of their son, Clinton, 8/3/23.

Hope & Healing While Grieving

Hope and Healing While Grieving will be discussing how to deal with the holidays when you have lost a loved one at our meetings in November and December. The dates for these meetings are November 8, November 29, December 6, and December 20. We meet in the Parlor at church from 11:30 to 12:30. There is also a zoom option.

Please contact Elizabeth Clay (eclay@2ndpreslou.org) with any questions.



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