

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,

I was driving down Brownsboro Road on a gloomy afternoon. I was feeling low energy, uninspired. Suddenly, and just for a few moments, the clouds parted, and the sun shined its splendor on the landscape. At about the same time, a song that has long been a favorite came on the radio and took me back to younger, more carefree times. I was amazed at how quickly I felt energized and hopeful! All it took was a little light and a bit of memory.

That’s what this Advent and Christmas season is about – light and memory. In the darkest time of the year we are called to wait and watch with hope for the appearing of our risen Lord Jesus. We wait with expectation for the celebration of his birth. In the darkness of family dysfunction that dashes our hopes for a peaceful holiday season, in the gloom of missing someone whose absence leaves a hole in our hearts, in the shadows cast by the sufferings of Israelis and Palestinians and the people of Ukraine, we are reminded to stand up, look for the light, and remember the promise that the risen Christ is with us now in the darkness and that someday his good purposes for all creation will be fulfilled.

“The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness – on them light has shined,” proclaims the prophet Isaiah in a time of great uncertainty and threat for Israel. John the evangelist speaks of the life-bringing Word of God that is “the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overtake it...The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.” Jesus assures us, “I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life.”

Light. The candles on the Advent wreath lighted each week and then, on Christmas Eve, the larger Christ Candle. Every Christmas Eve, standing with candles held high as we sing from “Silent Night,” our longing for “wondrous star, lend thy light,” seeing in others’ eyes the powerful memories of Christmases past and hope for joy yet to come. The brave light of the luminarias on that pandemic-laden, frigid Christmas Eve service outdoors, doing their best against the icy wind to illumine our worship and our hearts. Remember, says the light, remember that the darkness will not prevail. Remember, there is a Light that has shined into our world from a newborn in a feed trough, a Light the world thought it had extinguished but who emerged from the tomb to be with us forever, a Light that finally and forever, as John the Revelator declares, will form a city that “has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb.” Remember.

Brothers and sisters, this Advent and Christmas, and every day of our lives when the gloom is real and heavy, remember the Light that cannot and will not be extinguished. In that hope let us together walk in the light of the Lord.

Grace and Peace,

Steve

Worship & Music

ADVENT at Second

SUNDAYS - December 3 & 10

8:30 in Chapel; 11 in Sanctuary/Livestream

SUNDAY - December 3 - Advent Worship/Dinner/Workshop

5:30 p.m. - Reservation for dinner to tkissling@2ndpreslou.org

SUNDAY, December 17 - "Sing in Exultation!"

8:30 & 11 - Both in Sanctuary / Livestream at 11

(See details below)

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

Sanctuary / Livestream

Sing in Exultation!

A MUSICAL CELEBRATION OF JOY SUNDAY

with Sanctuary Choir, Austin Bells, Chamber Orchestra & Organ
Music of Bach, Charpentier, Gabrieli, Rutter, & Gjielo
along with Festival Advent & Christmas Carols

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17 @ 8:30 & 11 a.m.

Livestreamed at 11 a.m.
on YouTube 2ndPresLou



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 MONTH OF AMAZING MUSIC AT SECOND



Krista Heckmann, soloist
Stanford Vespers 10.22.23



Sanctuary Choir processing,
Stanford Vespers 10.22.23



Reformation Sunday with Choir,
Bells, Brass & Organ 10.29.23



Music for a Purpose Concert
for KRM 11.2.23

January 28, 2024 @ 7 p.m

An Evening of American Chamber Music with Mezzo Soprano Laura Atkinson, Baritone Jason Steigerwalt & NouLou Chamber Players

We are thrilled to present Laura Atkinson, mezzo soprano & Jason Steigerwalt, baritone with the NouLou Chamber Players in a vibrant evening of chamber vocal music. Compositions include a song cycle for baritone by local composer **Daniel Gilliam** on a text of Wendell Berry; a cycle for mezzo by **Lori Laitmann**, and others. Laura is one of Louisville Public Media's on-air hosts for 90.5-WUOL Classical FM, and a member of Second's Octet. Jason is an On-Premise Sales Consultant with Southern Glazer's Wine & Spirits, and also a member of Second's Octet.



ARTEFACT ENSEMBLE CREATE.

February 25, 2024 * 3 pm

HYMNS OF EMBODIMENT. RUIN & REBIRTH

Hailed as "seamless" and "technically flawless" (Musical America) Artefact Ensemble brings together leading vocal artists from around the country to craft immersive experiences of human connection through the transforming power of song. Artistic Director, Benedict Sheehan, is a two-time GRAMMY® nominee and American Prize-winner and has been called "a choral conductor and composer to watch in the 21st century" (ConcertoNet). They will present a brilliant program, including Copland's IN THE BEGINNING.



DONORS

We are grateful for the support of our many patrons—some who have given in memory and honor of those who have loved the music programs of Second Presbyterian or who have given specifically for the 2023–2024 Concert Series. These gifts ensure our Series continues to offer inspiring music that glorifies God, and that we can continue to take our day-of-concert offerings to our ministry partners.

(as of November 21, 2023)

The Music Program Endowment Fund; The Judith Brown Music and Mission Fund;
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and Joe Grimes by Joan Whittenberg

Children

Advent Service & Workshop

Sunday, December 3rd

5:30 pm Service in Chapel

6:00 Dinner & Workshop in Great Hall

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



PARENT'S NIGHT OUT

Saturday, December 16th 5:00-8:30pm

\$15.00/child \$25.00 Family Cap
Birth - 3rd grade

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 by Monday 12/11 at lwilliamson@2ndpreslou.org to reserve your spot!



Club 456

December monthly meetup!!

DECEMBER 16, 2023

5:00PM-8:30PM

**Fancy Christmas Dinner, Short
Etiquette Lesson, Christmas Party &
Gift Exchange!**



Let me know you are coming at lwilliamson@2ndpreslou.org.

Weekday School



We are devoted to continual professional development so we can offer the highest quality early childhood education at 2nd Pres Weekday School. In October, four of our faculty and staff traveled to Indianapolis to attend the North American Reggio Emilia Alliance fall conference. Our strongest pedagogical influence comes from the infant and toddler programs and preschools of Reggio Emilia, Italy. To learn directly from them is both a gift and an honor, as their way of teaching and learning with children is unmatched in excellence, joy and inspiration.

Priss Hovious, Bekah Bennett, Kim Pitchford & Hayley Abell

In November, six of our faculty and staff headed to Nashville for the annual National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) conference. NAEYC is the leading national organization for promoting excellence and best practice in the early childhood field. They also advocate for young children's rights and public policy to support them. Their annual conference brings early childhood educators together from around the world for four days of thought-provoking presentations and learning sessions.



Karla Wright, Debbie McLachlan, Jane Roth, Ashley Waterfield, Kristen Hayden & Elllie Harris

During our December and February staff meetings, we will share our takeaways from these conferences with our colleagues so our learning can shape the work we do at 2nd Pres.

Youth



HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS

Holiday Fellowship Dinner

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7 | 6:30 PM

All High School Girls are invited to attend this fellowship event!

RSVP to Becky Lyles At beckybluelyles@gmail.com



YOU ARE INVITED TO THE

2PY Christmas Party

Sunday, Dec. 10 | 6:00 - 8:00pm

AT THE LEWIS HOME
RSVP FOR THE ADDRESS

BRING A GIFT VALUED AT NO MORE THAN \$10 FOR THE WHITE ELEPHANT GIFT EXCHANGE

RSVP TO TKISSLING@2NDPRESLOU.ORG BY 12/7

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



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

No Breakfast & Bibles on 12/24 or 12/31



Kickball FLOOR HOCKEY Razzle Dazzle
BADMINTON
Volleyball BATTLE BALL
ULTIMATE SOCCER
**EVERYONE IS WELCOME!
BRING YOUR "A"
GAME!** Devotional
**OPEN GYM
Every Tuesday, 7-9pm!**



2PY SKI TRIP

PEEK N' PEAK RESORT
CLYMER, NY

January 12-15

\$100 DEPOSIT DUE NOVEMBER 19

The registration deadline has been extended! There is still time to sign up and be a part of this amazing trip! The cost is \$400 and includes bus transportation, lodging, lift tickets, equipment rental, and food. Throw in some evening devotions and great company and this becomes an experience you do not want to miss! Please contact Tammy Kissling at tkissling@2ndpreslou.org for more information.

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

Is on a break until January; see you then!

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

Led by Elizabeth Clay, the Pathways class meets on Sunday mornings at 9:45 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall A and via Zoom. Pathways is a group of folks who enjoy thinking and talking about life, faith, the Bible, and the intersection of the three. 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).

The next Sisters in Spirit meeting, on Tuesday December 12 at 7:00 p.m., will be hosted by Pam Ford at the Louis Apartments Club House located at 10720 Bell Tucker Lane. This is purely a fellowship event, no reading required! Please RSVP to Pam at pefordcosmetics@gmail.com Note: parking is located on the right of the building near the office park.

New Book for January:

Liturgy of the Ordinary: Sacred Practices in Everyday Life

Book by Tish Harrison Warren

December Mission of the Month

Make a special gift to our missionaries who are faithfully serving our neighbors throughout the world.

Sherri & Dustin Ellington
Lebanon

Dan & Elizabeth Turk
Madagascar

Karla Koll
Costa Rica

Donations can be made to Second Presbyterian Church
Designate Missionary Christmas fund on donation

SHIVELY AREA MINISTRIES

CHILDREN'S BOOK DRIVE

Do you have children's books you no longer need?
Shively Area Ministries is collecting gently used books for
infants through elementary school.



Books can be dropped off in the
Mission Closet or at the Church Office



Mission

VOLUNTEER AT PEACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

To assemble (Saturday) and/or distribute (Monday) food boxes as part of their food pantry ministry.

SAT. JAN 6 @ 9:30
MON. JAN 8 @ 8:00

SAT. FEB 10 @ 9:30
MON. FEB 12 @ 8:00

SAT. MAR 9 @ 9:30
MON. MAR 11 @ 8:00

SAT. APR 6 @ 9:30
MON. APR 8 @ 8:00

SAT. MAY 11 @ 9:30
MON. MAY 13 @ 8:00

SAT. JUN 8 @ 9:30
MON. JUN 10 @ 8:00

Volunteers are starting to commit to dates for next year, please consider giving your time to this invaluable ministry.

PLEASE CONTACT JODIE GOLDBERG AT 303JODIE@GMAIL.COM TO VOLUNTEER

SOUTH LOUISVILLE COMMUNITY MINISTRIES

SLCM has seen a huge increase in the need for pull-ups and diapers. In response to this need, we are asking everyone to join us in celebrating "Diaper December" by helping us collect as many pull-ups as possible!

Donations may be dropped off in the Mission Closet.

DIAPER DECEMBER



Thank You!

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

Refugee Committee Update

Greetings from the Refugee Team!

The Mteme family arrived in Louisville last month from the Democratic Republic of Congo (by way of Tanzania), and are getting settled in their new home. Father Lusakanya, and daughters Pascalina and Seraphina, are working hard to embrace life and culture in the United States. It truly takes a village, and the Refugee Committee is so thankful for the generous members of Second Presbyterian who have donated household items and clothing, as well as time and talents, to set up their cozy home.

The Mteme family continues to work with Kentucky Refugee Ministries, and they are looking forward to having the girls enrolled in school and finding employment for Lusakanya. In the meantime, we are helping them to acclimate to their new surroundings and learn more about our city by taking them on excursions. Kathy Oyler graciously took the family exploring their local neighborhood and more by teaching them the TARC bus system. Beth Blythe and Jill Shiflet took the family to their local library branch, where they were able to learn about translation services and access to computers. Ritu Furlan has visited their home and is taking the girls shopping.

The committee also invited the family to Open Gym night at Second Pres, where Toby Nutt and his crew shared fun and fellowship. Incidentally, the girls LOVE basketball....so, we think they will fit in perfectly in their adopted home state of Kentucky!

We continue brainstorming activities and experiences to help the family assimilate into our culture. If any members would like to join us on an outing, or have suggestions about where to go/what to do, please reach out to the committee (Kathy@Oyler.net, Beth.blythe@me.com, Shiflet@mac.com, Furlara@Hotmail.com, Chris.Ellis215@gmail.com). We'd love to have you!

As the holidays approach, please keep this family in your thoughts and prayers. The Refugee team, and the Mteme family, remain truly grateful for our 2nd Church family!

Blessings,

Your Refugee Team

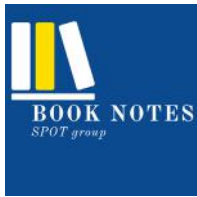
Kathy Oyler, Beth Blythe, Jill Shiflet, Chris Ellis, Ritu Furlan





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.

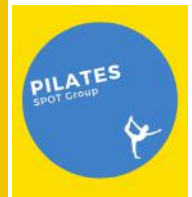
Contact Susan Langford: (502) 897-3789,



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.

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 have been welcomed.

THE FINAL PRESBYTERIAN UNION AFTER 29 YEARS!!!!

TOPIC: **“Musical Traditions of Advent”**

SPEAKERS: **Jim Rittenhouse, Director of Worship & Music at Second Presbyterian Church and Dr. Samuel Libra, Organist and Assistant Director of Worship & Music at Second Presbyterian Church**



Jim Rittenhouse has been a frequent soloist with regional choral and chamber/orchestral ensembles since 1989, including the Louisville Orchestra. He holds the Performer's Certificate and Master of Church Music degrees from Southern Seminary, where he studied with Dr. Lloyd Mims and Dr. John Dickson. His performances have included the world premiere performance and recording of Caccini's *La Liberazione di Ruggiero* with *Ars Femina*; the Durufle Requiem, Ruti Requiem, Britten Cantata misericordium, and Britten's War Requiem with the Louisville Choral Arts Society; Bach's Christmas Oratorio with The Blanche Moyses Chorale. He is the Director of Worship & Music at Second Presbyterian Church.

Samuel Libra is the Organist and Assistant Director of Worship & Music at Second Presbyterian Church of Louisville. A native of Minnesota, he graduated from Luther College in Iowa, where he studied church music with Dr. Gregory Peterson, and completed graduate studies at the University of Washington with Dr. Carole Terry. Dr. Libra can regularly be heard in worship and concerts, accompanying and performing solo works on piano, harpsichord, and organ. His research has focused on the 19th and early 20th centuries, especially the intersection between the form and genre, especially in the music of Charles-Marie Widor.



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, December 5, 2023**, at 11:30 am

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

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.

Called Congregational Meeting

The congregation is called to meet Sunday, December 10, following 11:00 a.m. worship for the purpose of hearing and acting upon the recommendations of the church nominating committee.

Ushers Needed

We need ushers for ALL services on Christmas Eve. There will be a 5 p.m. service in the Sanctuary, a 9 p.m. service in the Sanctaury with communion, and an 11 p.m. service in the Chapel with communion. If you are interested in ushering please contact Connie Smith at conniesmith@bellsouth.net or call 502-721-9638.

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 December 12th, 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 Four is “Mary and Martha Encounter Jesus”.

Contributions to the United Crescent Hill Ministries “Christmas Connection” can be sent to UCHM, 150 State Street, Louisville, KY 40206. Retail and Food gift cards will be purchased to help families provide gifts and food during the holidays. \$150 will sponsor a child, however, any amount will be greatly appreciated! Further information can be found on the link: <https://www.uchmlouky.org/christmas-connection:sponsorship-sign-up>.

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.



TRIVIA
Night

JANUARY
19TH, 2024

Trivia night is back on January 19th, 2024.

Get your table mates (table of 8) before the smart ones are taken! Competition for team dress and table decorations. All ages are encouraged to attend. Appropriate mixed category questions will span many decades. A huge fight is expected for the rubber duck to the team who finishes last.

John Hubbard, MD
Cell: 502-939-5741



Poinsettia baskets are being offered to honor/remember individuals. The cost is \$20. **The last day to order is Saturday, December 16.** You can fill out an order form electronically by scanning the Order Form QR code below, and you can make a payment by scanning the Payment QR code listed below (click on the Poinsettia Giving Page).

You can also write a check, leave the completed form at the reception desk, or mail it to Second Presbyterian Church, 3701 Old Brownsboro Road, Louisville 40207, Attn. Amy.

Please PRINT all information.

Name of Donor(s): _____

In honor of: _____ OR

In memory of: _____

Number of Poinsettias: _____

Contact Bonnie Boram with any questions. 502-893-3355.



SCAN ME



SCAN ME

Order Form Payment

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...

LaMar Gaston, Joan Gaston, Page Penna, and their family on the death of LaMar's son, Mark, 11/24/23.

Sue Rogers and her family on the death of her father, O.D., 11/8/23.

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.

Hope & Healing While Grieving

Our culture puts a lot of emphasis on happiness but loss is a very real part of everyone's life. Hope and Healing While Grieving is a safe place for anyone who is grieving the loss of a loved one. We will meet at 11:30 am in the Parlor on Wednesday, December 6 and December 20. All meetings will be at church with a zoom option. Please contact Elizabeth Clay, eclay@2ndpreslou.org if you have questions or are interested in joining the group.



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