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THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 2, 2023 10:00 A.M.

The Congregation will speak aloud the bold print in responsive readings.

* Please rise in body or spirit.

GATHERING

Worship begins with God. God takes the initiative and calls the Church into being. In the name of Christ, we heed God's call and gather as the community of faith.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME

Please provide us a record of your attendance. Take the red friendship pad, sign your name, and pass it down the pew and back, noting the names of those worshipping with you. We encourage our guests to share your information that we might be aware of your presence with us.

PRELUDE Fanfare J. Cook

* CALL TO WORSHIP (RESPONSIVE)

I will sing of your steadfast love, O Lord,

Psalm 89:1-2

and proclaim your faithfulness to all generations.

Your steadfast love endures forever.

Your faithfulness is as high as the heavens.

Happy are those who sing your praise

Psalm 89:15-16

and extol your righteousness all the day.

* HYMN No. 339

Lift Every Voice and Sing

LIFT EVERY VOICE

* CALL TO CONFESSION

Let us give our hearts to the One who forgives and redeems.
Let us confess our sins to God, whose loving-kindness endures forever.

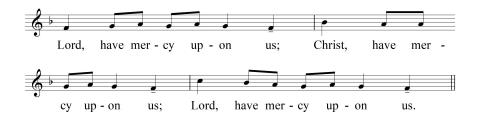
Psalm 89:1-2

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)
O Lord, you taught us to love you
and our neighbor,
but we have not lived in right relationship
or walked in the light of your love.
Forgive us for the wrongs we have done;
we know that the wages of sin is death.
Yet, we trust in your gift of forgiveness,
which is freedom and life in Christ.

(Silent Confession)

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Amen.



* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Children of God, your sins are forgiven by the mercy of Christ, our Lord. Be at peace, for you have been freed from sin that you may serve with righteousness, to the glory and praise of God.

Romans 6:18, 23

* PASSING OF THE PEACE (RESPONSIVE)

As God has forgiven us so we are called to forgive one another and to be at peace with one another.

The grace and peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Let us greet one another with the peace of Christ.

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Gathered in God's name, we now open ourselves to God's life-giving Word.

TIME FOR THE CHILDREN

ANTHEM Set Me As a Seal R. Clausen

SPC Small Ensemble

SCRIPTURE READING MATTHEW 10:40-42 NT P. 11

SERMON What Do You Do When the Doorbell Rings? Randy Hyde

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

The proclamation of God's Word invites responses of faith.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (RESPONSIVE)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts!

We lift them up to the Lord!

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

You are our God,

and we are creatures of your hand.

You made us from the dust of the earth,

breathed into us the breath of life,

and set us in your world to love and serve you.

When we rejected your love and ignored your wisdom,

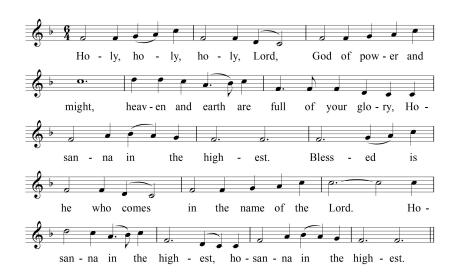
you did not reject us.

You loved us still

and called us to turn again to you

in obedience and in love.

Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with the heavenly choirs and with all the faithful of every time and place.



You are holy, O God of majesty,
And blessed is Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.
Out of your great love for the world,
you sent Jesus among us
to set us free from the tyranny of evil.
He lived as one of us,
sharing our joys and sorrows.
By his dying and rising,
he releases us from bondage to sin
and frees us from the dominion of death.



Gracious God,
pour out your Holy Spirit upon us
and upon these your gifts of bread and cup,
that the bread we break
and the cup we bless
may be the communion of the body and blood of Christ.
By your Spirit, unite us with the living Christ
and with all who are baptized in his name,
that we may be one in ministry in every place.
As this bread is Christ's body for us,
Send us out to be the body of Christ in the world.



THE LORD'S PRAYER (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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

We have two means by which to receive communion. As you come forward you may receive communion by intinction or you may receive a prepackaged individual serving of a gluten-free wafer with grape juice. You are invited to come forward, then return to your seat. We ask those with prepackaged servings to dispose of your kit as you exit the sanctuary.

If you are our guest, we welcome you and invite you to follow the example of the members of the congregation as to when to come forward and how to return.

To request assistance opening your communion kits, or to receive a kit at your seat, please raise your hand and a server will come to you.

COMMUNION MUSIC

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY "The Peace may be exchanged." from Rubrics D. Locklair

* DOXOLOGY OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Christ, all people here below;

Praise Holy Spirit evermore;

Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING

The God who calls us together in worship now sends us out in service.

- * INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP
- * HYMN No. 12 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise ST. DENIO
- * BENEDICTION
- * CHORAL POSTLUDE God Bless America Irving Berlin

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

The Reverend Doctor Randy Hyde
The Reverend Marie Mainard O'Connell
The Reverend Lindy Vogado
Dr. Bevan Keating, Director of Music and the Arts
Adam Savacool, Organist
Clint Brockway, Interpreter
Liturgist: Carol Young
Elder of the Day: George Keck

Communion Servers: Mary Helen Henry, Kathy and Jim Wilkins, Jean Kohler, George Keck, Carol Young, Cathy Crass, Tom Hicks

Please notify the church office of hospitalizations, joys and concerns. For a full listing of prayer concerns, please call the Care and Concern line at (501) 227-6117.

STATEMENT OF WELCOME AND INCLUSIVENESS

As one part of the church of Jesus Christ, we are inspired and guided by Christ's vision of God's realm—one that includes all who seek to love God and neighbor.

Second Presbyterian Church welcomes all people.

As a congregation of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), we invite those who respond in trust and obedience to God's grace in Jesus Christ to become part of the membership and ministry of the church.

We would be pleased to have you join us in our journey of faith, regardless of age, race, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, economic or family status, ethnic background, mental or physical abilities.

THE FLAGS IN THE SANCTUARY TODAY are placed in honor of Independence Day.

DID YOU MISS ONE OF THE SERMONS? If so, you can watch past worship services on the church website at secondpreslr.org. To receive a copy of a sermon either by e-mail or regular mail, contact Karin Howze, karinhowze@secondpreslr.org or (501) 227-0000. Printed copies are available in the Narthex and the church office.

OFFERINGS TO SUPPORT THE MINISTRIES OF SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH: Your generosity is a meaningful expression of your faith in God and your commitment to Christ's work in the world. Contributions can be made to the 2023 Annual Budget, Memorial Gifts and the Birthday Fund. You may support the ministries



of our church by placing your offering in the offering plate, through online giving at secondpreslr.org/giving or mailing a check to the church office, 600 Pleasant Valley Drive, Little Rock, Arkansas 72227.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP: Faith and Grief support group meets the third Tuesday of the month in Second Hall at noon, although we are taking a break in July. The next meeting is **Tuesday**, **August 15**. This is a monthly community gathering of support and comfort. Join at any time. There is no cost, but we appreciate a good will offering of \$8 to cover the cost of lunch. Please register through faithandgrief.org or through the church office, so we can have plenty of lunches available.

BALE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL WORK DAY: Join our Second Pres family as we help our school partner Bale Elementary School get ready for the upcoming school year! We will be hosting a work day at Bale Elementary on the morning of Saturday, July 22, with indoor and outdoor projects available. While some of the projects will require moderate physical activity, there may also be projects that are not physically strenuous. To participate or to learn more about the project details once plans finalize, contact Lindy Vogado (lindyvogado@secondpreslr.org) in the church office.

ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES are on recess until August 27! The *Adult Bible Study* will continue to meet via Zoom each Sunday at 9:00 a.m. (Meeting ID 395 818 9248, password: second). *The Spiritual Nourishment Class* is also continuing to meet in their regular Zoom room throughout the summer to study their new book <u>Dusk Night Dawn</u> by Anne Lamott. Contact Nancy Hicks at NVHicks@gmail.com for Zoom information. Thank you for a great year, and we'll see you in the fall.



CELEBRATING 30 YEARS OF STEPHEN MINISTRY AT SECOND PRESBYTERIAN!



commissioned May, 1992

If you or someone you know is hurting and you would like more information about receiving Stephen Ministry care,

please contact any of our Stephen Leaders.

Kay Combs 501-517-5007

Cathy Crass 501-951-5890

Steve Dunnagan 501-590-9768

Laurie Stueart 501-658-7966

Jana Villemez 501-517-1474

JoAnn McQuade, Grief Care

Rev. Alisa Secrest 501-227-0000

STEPHEN MINISTRY

GIVING COMFORT, LIFTING SPIRITS

YOUTH MINISTRY UPDATE

For more information please contact Elizabeth Cahoon elizabethcahoon@secondprestr.org.

Youth Ministry is on summer time! Join us for our new youth group schedule during the months of June, July and August. We are dividing up our middle and high schoolers to give the students transitioning up time to bond with the new grade levels. This means that for all rising 6th graders, you are welcome to join our Middle School Summer Nights and for all rising 9th graders you are invited to your choice of Middle or High School Summer Nights. Below are details for our separate nights.

Middle School Students (rising 6th-graduated 8th grade) are on a mission to find the best ice cream in Little Rock. Each week we will post the next upcoming locations to keep you informed. July 3, NO MEETING. July 10, NO MEETING.

High School Students (rising 9th-graduated 12th grade) are on a mission to find the best pizza in Little Rock. Each week we will post the next upcoming locations to keep you informed. July 5, NO MEETING. July 12, NO MEETING.

SUMMER FELLOWSHIP AND STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

TUESDAY MEN'S GROUP MINISTRY: Each Tuesday at 7:00 a.m., men gather in Second Hall and on Zoom for encouragement, support, and bible study. Free donutsand coffee! Discussions center on the sermon text used by the Transitional Pastor, Randy Hyde.

CHEESES WITH JESUS: Join us for the 2023 Margarita Tour of Little Rock! We are an adult group for those in between "young adult" and retiree. Want to jump in the tour? Contact Diane Karlson at (970) 412-3144 for more details. July and August stops coming soon.

INTERGENERATIONAL DRINKS AND DISCIPLESHIP GROUP Looking for community and connection? We hope you'll make plans to join our intergenerational crew on the first Wednesday of the month for a time of laid-back fellowship and fun. Our next meeting will be **Wednesday**, **July 5** at the home of Amara and Joseph Yancey from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Regular and vegan BLTs will be provided; please bring a summertime salad or beverage to share. Childcare offered at the church. Contact Betsy Apple Eldridge at bapple48@gmail.com for more information and to RSVP. We look forward to connecting with you in our beloved community this summer!

USHER/GREETER VOLUNTEERS ALWAYS APPRECIATED: Those who serve as ushers and greeters for our worship service are providing a ministry of hospitality for members and visitors to our church. Along with providing an important leadership role for worship, those who serve as ushers and greeters are also afforded a wonderful opportunity to meet and work alongside other members of the congregation. You may contact the following deacons who serve as usher captains to volunteer as ushers or greeters.

JULY WORSHIP USHER CAPTAINS

8:30 A.M.
Jo Paulus
Chris Boggs
Ann Owen
Amy Lloyd

10:00 A.M.
Margo Shoffn

Margo Shoffner Judy Johnson MEMORIAL RECEPTION TEAMS: Pastoral Care seeks additional members for our Memorial Reception Teams to bake cookies, prepare punch, arrange flowers and provide hospitality during receptions. Our three teams take turns hosting receptions. To share your interest, please fill out the form below and place it in the offering plate. You may also contact Sharon Howard or Alisa Secrest in the church office.



And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him.

- Romans 8:28a

Second Presbyterian Church is a Stephen Ministry congregation. We provide confidential Christian caregiving to hurting people. To find out more about Stephen Ministry or to receive a Stephen Minister's care, call Associate Pastor Alisa Secrest at (501) 227-0000. Pastor Alisa will work with you to decide if Stephen Ministry will be a good fit for you and your unique situation.

CALENDAR

SUNDAY, JULY 2 Worship 8:30, 10:00

MONDAY, JULY 3 Boy Scouts 7:00 Volleyball 7:00

TUESDAY, JULY 4 *Independence Day*Church office closed

WEDNESDAY, JULY 5 Staff Meeting 9:00 THURSDAY, JULY 6

*Dementia Caregivers Support Group

1:00

*Young Adult Trivia 7:00

FRIDAY, JULY 7

SATURDAY, JULY 8

Montreat Youth Conference

SUNDAY, JULY 9

Montreat Youth Conference Worship 8:30, 10:00

Pastoral Care Memorial Reception Teams
I'm interested in serving with a Memorial Reception Team.
Please contact me.
Name
Email

*Place in offering plate, drop off in the church office or call the church office at 501-227-0000. For more information, contact Sharon Howard or Alisa Secrest.

^{*} Denotes announcement in bulletin