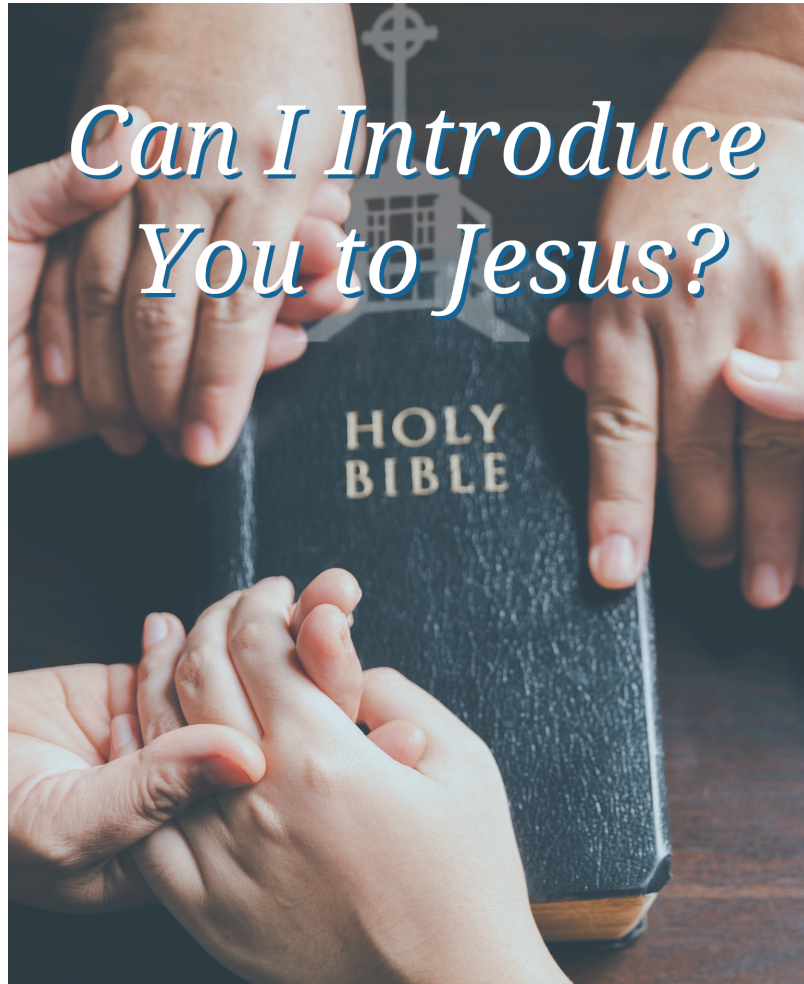


SUN  
**AUGUST 18**  
2024

**Welcome** TO WORSHIP



**Second**  
PRESBYTERIAN LITTLE ROCK

**THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

The Congregation will speak aloud the **bold print 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.*

### WELCOME

### PRELUDE

*Prelude in A minor, BWV 543*

J.S. Bach

### † CALL TO WORSHIP *(Responsive)*

We who live in the shelter of the Most High say to the Lord,

**“My refuge and my fortress; my God, in whom I trust.”**

Because we have made the Lord our refuge,

**no evil shall befall us.**

Those who love the Lord, God delivers;

**God will protect those who know God's name.**

Let us worship God.

**Let us worship God, indeed.** *(Psalm 91, selected verses)*

### † HYMN 33

*Praise the Lord! God's Glories Show*

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### CALL TO CONFESSION *(Responsive)*

We hear in scripture that you will command your angels, Lord, to guard us.

**We lean on that truth now as we enter this time of confession.**

Break open our hearts so we may receive your mercy and grace.

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(Responsive)*

Lord of heaven and earth, we are eager to sense your presence today.

**The world is full of temptations and we often feel powerless.**

No matter where we turn, we are distracted by the allures of the world.

**Power, glory, food, safety, and money are but a few of the temptations.**

They call to us and we can't help but answer.

**They offer something we need or want to be true.**

But after a while, we feel the emptiness of those temptations.

**We feel the hunger for more substantive gifts that only come from you.**

**Remind us now and forevermore of what you offer us, Lord.**

Power that comes through weakness; glory that comes through faith;

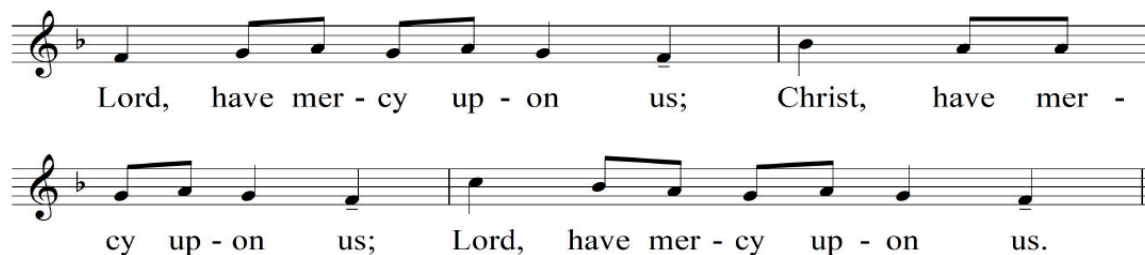
**Food that satisfies because it is from you; and safety that's eternal.**

Lord, quiet any voice but yours so we might hear your voice today.

**We pray this now and in the silence of our hearts...**

*(Time for silent confession.)*

## CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE



Lord, have mer - cy up - on us; Christ, have mer -  
cy up - on us; Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND PASSING OF THE PEACE *(Responsive)*

You keep showing up, Lord.

**You meet us where we are and save us from every temptation if we look.**

**And so we are bold to proclaim to everyone:**

The peace of Christ be with you!

**And also with you.**

Let us greet one another with the sign of Christ's peace.

## WORD

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

## TIME FOR THE CHILDREN

Doug Barr

## THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM (11:00AM)

Rev. Elizabeth Cahoon

Rev. Ben Kane

*Christina and Stephen Eifling present their daughters, Clara and Adelaide Eifling,  
to receive the Sacrament this morning.*

## PRESENTATION

### THE APOSTLES' CREED (Unison)

**I believe in God the Father, Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## THE BAPTISM

## WELCOMING

## CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

*Jesus Loves Me*

Hymn No. 188, St. 1

<b>OLD TESTAMENT READING</b>	Deuteronomy 26:1-9	OT p. 180-1
<b>ANTHEM</b>	<i>Heavens Are Telling the Glory of God</i> SPC Adult Choir	J. Haydn
<b>GOSPEL READING</b>	Luke 4:1-13	NT p. 61
<b>SERMON</b>	<i>We'll Need to Dust Off That Bible</i>	Rev. Ben Kane

*Following the sermon, there will be a time for meditation to consider what God might be saying to you after hearing God's word read and proclaimed.*

✠ <b>HYMN 166</b>	<i>Lord, Who throughout These Forty Days</i>	ST. FLAVIAN
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## E U C H A R I S T

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

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

#### OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

*Our response to God's love and grace is one of gratitude for what is and hope for what will be. In this time of Offering, our gratitude is a tangible response back to God with our gifts and resources. We invite you to give generously to the Second Pres offering as it helps us do the ministries God's called us to enact.*

<b>OFFERTORY</b>	<i>Flute Solo</i>	T. Arne
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✠ <b>DOXOLOGY</b>	OLD HUNDREDTH
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**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

## S E N D I N G

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

#### ✠ INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

✠ <b>HYMN 39</b>	<i>Great Is Thy Faithfulness</i>	FAITHFULNESS
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#### ✠ BENEDICTION

✠ <b>CHORAL BENEDICTION</b>	<i>Threefold Amen</i>	TRADITIONAL
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✠ <b>POSTLUDE</b>	<i>Final from Sonate No. 1</i>	A. Guilmant
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# Ways to Get Involved

## Preaching Series Aug 11-Sept 1

*Can I Introduce You to Jesus?*

In this opening series, we'll meet Jesus at the beginning of his public ministry. How did it start? Why did God choose to start this way? Why does it matter that Christ came as a human? How does Christ connect to God? These are but a few of the questions we'll explore in this series as we seek to meet Jesus — for the first time or the thousandth time.

August 11: Luke 3:21-22 *Starting Small Leads to Big Things*

August 18: Luke 4:1-13 *We'll Need to Dust Off that Bible*

August 25: Luke 4:14-30 *How Good Are You with Rejection?*

September 1: Luke 4:31-37 *Oh, By the Way, There Will Be Demons!*

## Sunday School Starts Up TODAY

All Sunday School classes begin **today**, August 18, at 9:45 a.m. To access the Fall Brochure with all the class options and descriptions, scan the QR code or check out the link at [secondpreslr.org](http://secondpreslr.org).



## All Hands Say Hello: Usher and Greeter Sign Up

We all have hands. Hands can wave. Hands can shake other hands. Hands can hand out bulletins...or pass offering plates, making for a hospitable worship experience for all. *All Hands Say Hello!* Use the QR code for the Usher and Greeter Sign Up!



## Second Sunday Lunch Begins in September!

This fall our church family will have the opportunity to gather for lunch each Second Sunday after the 11:00am worship service. Our first lunch of the fall will be on **September 8**, and the menu will be pork tenderloin, green beans, mashed potatoes, roll, and dessert. Cost is \$12 for adults; \$5 for kids. There is no agenda besides food and fellowship! Please use the QR code to register or call Karin in the church office. We hope to see everyone there!



## Plan It Forward

September 8

1:00pm

Second Hall

*Plan it Forward: A beginner's guide to your estate, probate, and other related legal issues.*

Do you have a will? Do you have guardianship plans for your children? Do you have a power of attorney? Join us for one hour of helpful information presented by Jeff Priebe, attorney at law, about the core estate planning documents that everyone should consider. It's never too late, or too early, to get started. Scan the QR code to sign up, email [KarinHowze@secondpreslr.org](mailto:KarinHowze@secondpreslr.org) or call the church office at 501-227-0000.



## New to Second Pres?

If you are a guest, we are grateful you have joined us in worship and we hope you are well taken care of and feel at home. Feel free to stop by the Welcome Center in the narthex or say hello to a staff member or greeter. Check out the bulletin insert for more on Second Pres and things that may be of interest to you. We're glad you're here.

## Statement of Welcome & 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, regard-less of age, race, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, economic or family status, ethnic background, mental or physical abilities.

## Giving to Second Pres

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 Annual Budget, Memorial Gifts and the Birthday Fund.



### OFFERING PLATE

You may place your offering in the offering plate



### BY MAIL

Church Office, 600 Pleasant Valley Drive  
Little Rock, AR 72227



### ONLINE

Scan the QR Code or visit [secondpreslr.org/give](http://secondpreslr.org/give)

## Calendar for the Week

### SUN AUG 18

8:30am and 11:00am Worship

9:45am Sunday School

### MON AUG 19

1:30pm Monday Pastoral Care

5:00pm Finance Committee

7:00pm Volleyball

### TUES AUG 20

7:00am Men's Group Ministry SH

9:00am Staff Meeting

12:00pm Faith & Grief

7:00pm Diaconate Meeting

7:00pm Session Meeting

### WED AUG 21

1:00pm Preschool Board Meeting

6:30pm Adult Choir

### SUN AUG 25

8:30am and 11:00am Worship

9:45am Sunday School

2:00pm Presbyterian Women Tea SH

## Worship Leaders

Rev. Dr. Benjamin E.E. Kane

Rev. Alisa Secrest

Rev. Elizabeth Cahoon

Doug Barr, Director of Children and Family Ministry

Jón Stevenson, Guest Conductor

SPC Adult Choir

Adam Savacool, organist

Clint Brockway, interpreter

Liturgists: (8:30) Carol Young (11:00) Marsha Taylor

Elders of the Day: (8:30) Mary Helen Henry

(11:00) Allison Pickell

Welcome Center: (8:30) Chrissy & Dan Voth

(11:00) Laura Connor & Kathy Ransom

## August Usher Captains

8/18 Jo Paulus (8:30) Ken Cook (11:00)

8/25 Dan Voth (8:30) & Doug Barton (11:00)