



**FAITH
ALIVE!**

Faith Formation at
Second Presbyterian

Sunday, August 18
Sunday School Kick-off
and

Return to Regular Worship Schedule
8:30 a.m. / 9:00 a.m. / 11:00 a.m.

On Sunday, August 18 we will return to our regular worship schedule (8:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., and 11:00 a.m.) and we will kick-off another exciting year of Sunday School at Second Presbyterian Church. Plan now to attend this kick-off event.

- Continental Breakfast at 9:45 a.m. in the Great Hall
- Reconnect after the summer break
- Three Year Old Bible Presentation
- Sunday School “promotion” activities
- Learn about our Adult Education opportunities

Short-term Sunday School Class Honoring Our Neighbors' Faith August 25 – September 29

Different people—especially in pluralistic America (and Little Rock!)—have different beliefs and religious practices. How do we deal with variance in beliefs? We honor our neighbor's faith and trust that it is as heart-felt as ours, but where do we go from there? Designed around a book and video series by Adam Hamilton, this course will explore Hinduism, Buddhism, Islam, and Judaism. We will seek to understand the essential beliefs and historical setting for each faith and compare the beliefs with those of Christianity—seeking to build bridges with others so that we might grow in our faith, seek peace in our world, and live faithfully with our neighbors. The class meets Sundays at 9:50 a.m. in Second Hall.

AUGUST 25	SEPTEMBER 15
Introduction <i>Steve Hancock</i>	Judaism <i>Rabbi Gene Levy</i>
SEPTEMBER 1	SEPTEMBER 22
Hinduism <i>Uday Akkaraju</i>	Islam <i>Sophia Said</i>
SEPTEMBER 8	SEPTEMBER 29
Buddhism <i>John Haley</i>	Christianity and "Wrap-up" <i>Steve Hancock</i>

Prospective Members Class

You are invited to our Prospective Members Class, September 8, 15, 22, 9:50-10:45 a.m. in Room 65/66. Topics we will discuss:

- A tour of our campus
- An Overview of what Presbyterians believe and how we function as a church
- The Path of Discipleship as we practice it in our congregation

For more information, contact Catherine Allsbury, catherineallsbury@secondpreslr.org.

Presbyterian Women Gatherings

Saturday, August 24, 9:30 a.m.

All women are invited to the Presbytery Cluster V Fall Gathering at Westover Hills Presbyterian Church. Our own Lindy Vogado will be presenting an overview of the 2019-20 Bible Study, *Love Carved in Stone: A Fresh Look at the Ten Commandments*. Lunch (\$10, by reservation) will be provided following the program. Please contact Karin Howze to make reservations, karinhowze@secondpreslr.org.

Sunday, August 25, 2:00 p.m.

Second Presbyterian Women Summer Reunion Gathering in Second Hall. All women are invited for this time of fellowship to "catch up" at the end of the summer before fall programming begins. Refreshments will be served and Bible study books will be available.

All Church Parking Lot Kick-off Party Sunday, August 18 • 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Join us for food trucks, inflatables, live entertainment, gaga ball and so much more! We hope you will come and bring a neighbor or friend. The upper and lower front parking lots will be closed August 18 immediately following the 11:00 a.m. worship service in preparation for the All Church Kick-off Party later in the afternoon. Thanks in advance and we hope to see you at the party! Volunteers are needed! Would you be able to come early to help set up tables and chairs at 3:00 p.m., or stay a little later to help clean up beginning at 6:00 p.m., or willing to help with welcoming and safety during the event? If you can help, contact Jen Evans, jenevans@secondpreslr.org or (704) 519-9091.

All Church Picnic September 29

Join our church family for food, fun and fellowship at beautiful Ferncliff camp for our annual church picnic on September 29 following the 11:00 a.m. worship service (about 12:30 p.m.). Please feel free to wear your picnic clothes to church. Fellowship Ministry will provide fried chicken, drinks and utensils. If your last name begins with A-N, please bring a veggie, salad or fruit dish. If your last name begins with an O-Z, please bring a dessert. The joys and amenities of Ferncliff will be available for your enjoyment.

Newest Members



Jim and Julia Ann Daniel

Jim and Julia Ann are former members of Second Presbyterian. Since then, they have moved to Searcy but continued to be frequent visitors at Second Presbyterian. In retirement, they have begun a second career establishing and maintaining Darby's Warrior Support. This non-profit provides weekend duck hunting trips and camaraderie to wounded warriors of our recent wars in the Middle East. They joined by Transfer of Letter from First United Methodist in Searcy, AR.

Preschool Sunday School Team Openings

Our Children's Ministry is hoping to add two or three adults to our Preschool Sunday School teaching teams. We would love to have a couple of women or men who would like to support our amazing teaching teams for our 3 & 4 year old and Kindergarten classes (two or three Sundays each month). Please contact Barrett Feltus, barrettfeltus@gmail.com or (501) 627-5830 or Jeannie Ford, jeannieford@secondpreslr.org or (501) 227-0000 if you are interested in helping our little ones learn about God's love and the stories of our faith.

Second Readers

Second Readers will meet August 21 at 3:00 p.m. in Room 60. The book for September is *Mrs. Bridge* by Evan S. Connell. This is a story of an upper middle class, bourgeois family in Kansas City in the period between the First and Second World War, mostly from the perspective of the mother, the Mrs. Bridge of the title. She and her family are forced to deal with the changing habits and morality of the America of that time, especially in the areas of civil rights and gender equality. The book was followed in 1969 by *Mr. Bridge*. The two were adapted for the screen and were released as *Mr. and Mrs. Bridge* (1990).

Ringers Needed

Interested in a short term handbell commitment? Join us for a few weeks of rehearsal and the opportunity to offer an anthem in worship this summer.

Rehearsal dates: Monday, August 19, Monday, August 26, and Thursday, September 5. Choose 11:15 a.m. or 5:00 p.m. rehearsal times.

Ring date in worship is Sunday, September 8 at both the 8:30 and 11:00 a.m. services.

Please contact Mary Ibis to confirm your spot and receive your bell assignment, maryibis@secondpreslr.org.

Cheeses with Jesus

Last Call for the summer! CWJ is taking a break from Bible Study for the summer, kicking back and staying in touch with fellowship outings. Our final outing will be an adventure at Mystery Mansion Escape Room. Details:

- August 21 at 7:30 p.m. (sharp); please arrive earlier;
- Cost: \$20 - \$30 per person, depending on how many participate;
- Place: Mystery Mansion, 2122 S. Broadway St., Little Rock, AR 72206

For more information, contact Catherine Allsbury, catherineallsbury@secondpreslr.org. (Cheeses With Jesus is an adult group, for those who are older than 'younger adult' and younger than 'retiree'.)

Church Sexton Position Available

Second Presbyterian Church is seeking a Sexton in our Facilities Department. This position assists with the daily operations of the church building specifically with the essential cleaning and maintenance of the building. This position also assists the Food Service Manager in the preparation, serving, and clean-up of meals. This is a full-time position with benefits. For more information, contact Aileen Moore, (501) 227-0000 or aileenmoore@secondpreslr.org. (This position is available due to Emily McPherson beginning her new job as a dental assistant.)



Save the Dates for Wednesdays Together September 11, 18, 25 • 5:30-7:15 p.m.

Plan now to join us for dinner and programming for all ages and stages. Watch for the upcoming brochure with registration information.

Faith & GriefSM

A Ministry of Compassion and Connection

Tuesday, August 20, 2019
12:00-1:00 p.m.

When a loved one dies, one of the most common early reactions is an intense yearning, a sense that part of you is missing, and a hunger to have the person back. Sharing stories often provides solace and helps ease the heartbreak. Our church is providing a place to share those stories. On the third Tuesday of every month, our church will host a Faith and Grief Luncheon from noon to 1:00 p.m. in Second Hall. You will find:

- a supportive community of persons who have experienced the death of a loved one
- comfort through scripture and prayers
- encouragement through personal stories
- hope in sharing your feelings and experiences.

Registration for August 20 can be made by visiting faithandgrief.org or by contacting Sharon Howard in the church office, (501) 227-0000 or sharonhoward@secondpreslr.org.



For the first time, Second Presbyterian Youth would like to announce our theme of the year—*Love God Love Others*. We'll be using 1 John 4:16 to guide our SPY activities, curriculum, and outreach work. Throughout the year, we'll focus on the four types of relationships we hold in our lives and how we love those people: how we love ourselves, love our family and friends, love strangers, and love God. Our high schoolers and middle schoolers will get to learn more about themselves and the wonderful child of God they are through the Enneagram, the Five Love Languages teen book, and more. They'll learn how to navigate loving their friends and families through open conversations about boundaries and consent. We'll practice loving strangers in real time by taking advantage of the outreach opportunities in our community and attending rEcess. Lastly, we'll spend some time being honest about our relationship with God and hear from others about their unique relationships with Christ and how they grew closer to Him. For more information about this year's SPY schedule and activities, feel free to contact the Director of Youth Ministry, Ruth Amensen, ruthamensen@secondpreslr.org.

Planned Giving Website

Our planned giving website features stories and testimonials from church members about what our church means to them and their lives of faith and why they wanted to give a lasting gift. There are also examples of gifts that may fit into your estate giving.



<http://plannedgivingnavigator.org/pg-sites/27/>



Kick-off Dates

Please mark your calendars for the following dates:

August 14, 5:30 p.m.

EverythingChildren@SecondPres
dinner, parent meeting, childcare

August 18, 9:45 a.m.

Sunday School Kick-off
for all ages in the Great Hall

August 18, 4:00 p.m.

All Church Kick-off Party
dinner, activities, entertainment for all ages

August 21, 6:00 p.m.

Children's Choir First Rehearsal
PreK-4 through 5th grade

August 25, 9:30 a.m.

Playtime with Parents
playground social

September 5, 6:45 p.m.

Dads' Trivia Night; Moms' Night Out
childcare at the church

September 7, 9:00 a.m.

Extreme Ring
children's handbell workshop, grades 3-5

September 11, 18 & 25, 5:30 p.m.

Wednesdays Together
dinner, education for all ages, no children's choir

September 20, 6:00 p.m.

SPY Kids Kick-off and Lock-in
4th and 5th grades

September 29, 12:15 p.m.

All Church Picnic at Ferncliff Camp
potluck fellowship and activities for all ages

Also check the newsletter and website for start dates for Bible studies, adult Sunday school classes, adult choir, youth goings-on, and other programming. You'll find programming for all ages.



**STEPHEN
MINISTRY**

*Wait for the Lord; be strong and take heart
and wait for the Lord.*

– Psalm 27:14

Lost Independence

“It’s just not safe for you anymore,” they say. “You could stay with one of us—or look into a place I know.”

You can’t live on your own anymore.

And it hurts—giving up some of your independence, adjusting to some new routines.

Let a Stephen Minister share this difficult time with you.

If you are going through a tough time and could use a caring friend, 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, (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.

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:

August Worship Usher Captains

8:30 a.m.

Ralph Wilcox
rspencew@aol.com

9:00 a.m.

Jessica Vaught
vaught@rainfirm.com

11:00 a.m.

Jennifer Knight
jenniferknight0801@gmail.com

Katie Mundy
ktbugmundy@gmail.com

Missed a Sermon?

Did you miss one of the sermons? If so, you can listen to recent sermons on the church website at secondpreslr.org. Click on “Worship and Music,” then click on “Listen to Recent Sermons.” 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.



In Harm’s Way

Matt Coffey, stationed in Little Rock, AR

Andrew Delo, Jeanne Lloyd’s grandson – stationed on the USS Washington, a nuclear sub

Taylor Douglas, son of Susan & Kevin Douglas – San Diego, CA

David Henry, son of Mary Helen & Joe Henry – at the Pentagon, Washington, DC

Jackson Hudkins, son of Jay Hudkins and Becky Latch, Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, CO

Jonathan Johnson, grandson of Helen Scott, nephew of Clarke & Cindy Scott Huisman – stationed at Fallon, NV

Daniel Jones, Marjorie Watkins’ nephew, Sarah Ceja’s cousin – stationed in Augusta, GA

Jonathan Miller, son of Patrice & Stan Miller – stationed in Fallon, NV

Chris Rookey, son of Hallie & Craig Rookey, grandson of Hallie & Kirk Simmins – deployed to Middle East

Kyle Rought, Mary Ibis’ cousin – stationed in Wahiawa, HI

Stuart Rubio, Keesler Air Force Base, Biloxi, MS

John Matthew Solomon, son of Mary Margaret & Alan Solomon – stationed at Fort Meade, MD

Kevin Truslow, deployed to South Korea



OutreachMinistry

August 2019

STEWOPOT

Cook team: 9:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m.

Servers: 11:30 a.m.-1:15 p.m.

Friday: August 16, 23, 30

OUR HOUSE

Second Friday of each month, 5:30-7:00 p.m.

Property Ministry delivers and serves

Friday: September 13

FOR MORE INFORMATION . . .

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Dania Edwards

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Mary Ibis

ORGANIST
Adam Savacool

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Aileen Moore

DIRECTOR OF PLANNED GIVING
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Catherine Allsbury

FACILITIES MANAGER
David Beach

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Sage Arnold

Tracy May
Sharon Howard
Adam Savacool

CHILD CARE COORDINATOR & ADMINISTRATIVE ASSOCIATE
Karin Howze

SEXTON
Guy Howze

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES
8:30, 9:00 and 11:00 a.m.

SUNDAY SCHOOL
9:50 a.m.

Newsletter articles may be e-mailed to:
adamsavacool@secondpreslr.org

UPCOMING DEADLINES:
Thursday, August 22
Thursday, September 5



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Bulletin Board

Hospitalized (*Discharged) Martha Carvill, Rita Robertson, *May Griebel, *Amelia Walters

Congratulations to Second Presbyterian member Max Hill who completed his study at Princeton Seminary, and was ordained as Minister of Word and Sacrament on August 11. He received a call to campus ministry in St. Louis.

We rejoice with Jessie and Rick Gillham on the birth of a daughter, Emma Kate Gillham. Also welcoming Emma Kate are grandparents Cindy and Bill Edwards, and big brother Richard David Gillham, IV.

Our sympathy goes to

- the family and friends of Jenna Rhodes
- Susan and Chuck Goldner and family on the death of Susan's mother, Mary Lib Dinsmore

We would appreciate your help . . . in keeping the church office informed when there is a sickness in your family, when someone is in the hospital, or a death has occurred. Please also keep us updated on the sickness or concern so that the information we have on our Care and Concern Line is accurate. Members and friends can call the Care and Concern Line, (501) 227-6117, on weekdays to receive information about prayer concerns in our church family. We will honor all requests for confidentiality, but in order for us to offer pastoral care we need to be aware of your situation. We also want to know about the joys, accomplishments and achievements of members of the church. Please call Alisa Secrest or Sharon Howard in the church office with information, (501) 227-0000, or e-mail alisasecrest@secondpreslr.org or sharonhoward@secondpreslr.org. Thanks for your help!



Second Gifts
FOR THOSE WHO FOLLOW
Second Presbyterian Church, Little Rock

Thank You for Your Faith & Support

If you have included our Church in your estate plans and would like to share this faithful decision, we appreciate you and would like to thank you for generosity and commitment to the future of the ministries of our church. Please call Malinda Kirchner at the church office or (501) 350-4681.