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**THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY  
SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**July 24, 2022**

**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**

**PRELUDE**

*Flute Tune*

T. Arne

**\* CALL TO WORSHIP (RESPONSIVE)**

God is eager to restore us to right relationships.  
The Creator is waiting to claim us now as God's own.

**We have come to meet the God who welcomes us.**

**We have gathered to experience God's steadfast love.**

Listen, for God will speak to those who want to hear.

Turn your hearts toward the one who saves.

**We bow down to receive God's mercy.**

**We open ourselves to the source of peace.**

God will answer us and will give what is good.

God restores us to faithfulness and righteousness.

**We come asking, searching, and knocking.**

**We seek the good gifts only God can provide.**

**\* HYMN NO. 641**      *When in Our Music God is Glorified*      ENGELBERG

**\* CALL TO CONFESSION**

**\* PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)**

**Gracious God, bring our evil to awareness so we can address it and be rid of its burden. Forgive our iniquity and pardon our sin. Turn us away from false pride and violence, from lies and hardness of heart. Erase the record that stands against us. Restore us to a right relationship with you and with those from whom we are alienated. Grant us also the capacity to extend forgiveness to all who have wronged us. Have mercy on us now, O God. Amen.**

*(Silent confession)*

**\* ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**\* PASSING OF THE PEACE (RESPONSIVE)**

Jesus said: "Peace I leave with you;  
my peace I give you.

Not as the world gives do I give to you.

Let not your hearts be troubled or afraid."

The peace of Christ be with you all.

**And also with you.**

Let us greet one another with the sign of peace.

**PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD**

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

**A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN**



#### 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.

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

**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 2022 Annual Budget, Second Vision Capital Campaign, Memorial Gifts and the Birthday Fund. You may support the ministries of our church by placing your offering in the offering plate as you exit the Sanctuary, through online giving at [secondpreslr.org/giving](http://secondpreslr.org/giving) or mailing a check to the church office, 600 Pleasant Valley Drive, Little Rock, Arkansas 72227.

**PRAY FOR OUR GLOBAL MISSION PARTNERS:** For several years, our congregation has supported the ministry of PC(USA) mission co-worker Dori Hjalmarson in Honduras. Dori accompanies, coordinates and coaches lay and pastoral leaders of the Presbyterian Church of Honduras as they develop educational opportunities for their members and communities. For more information about getting involved in our Presbytery's International Partnership with the Presbyterian Church in Honduras, contact Lindy Vogado ([lindyvogado@secondpreslr.org](mailto:lindyvogado@secondpreslr.org)).

**SAVE THE DATE!** Welcome Home, Second Pres! The last two and a half years have been difficult ones for our church and world, but even with the pandemic still persisting, we are grateful that the life and mission of our congregation has continued. A lot, though, has changed, and many of us are looking forward to getting back into familiar projects or trying out some new ways to be involved in the life of our church. **Sunday, August 21**, is going to be a big day for our congregation! We will be moving back to having three worship services, we will be kicking off the new programmatic year, we will be blessing backpacks at the 9:00 and 11:00 services, and we will be hosting a ministry and mission fair during the Sunday School hour for everyone to learn more about the great things happening at our church! *More details will be coming soon, but please save the date for the morning of August 21!*

**AFGHAN WELCOME PROJECT SUMMER UPDATE:** Thanks to many dedicated volunteers, our summer tutoring program for our Afghan kids is off to a great start! Volunteers are meeting with each of our school-aged children for several hours each weekday—building relationships with the kids, helping them practice their English, and teaching them important academic skills. We are hopeful that this experience will set each of the children up for success in the upcoming academic year. If you would like to get involved with our Afghan Welcome Project, please contact Lindy Vogado ([lindyvogado@secondpreslr.org](mailto:lindyvogado@secondpreslr.org)). We appreciate the support of our volunteers and the entire church in helping us continue to nurture our Afghan refugee families!

**CHEESES WITH JESUS** will continue their *Tour of Margaritas* with a Poolside Fiesta on Friday, July 29, at 8301 Evergreen Drive, LR. We plan to meet at 6:30 p.m. New faces at the table always welcome! We are a pairs and spares group of adults, between 'young adult' and retiree. We normally meet on the second and fourth Wednesday evening of each month. Contact [catherineallsbury@secondpreslr.org](mailto:catherineallsbury@secondpreslr.org) for more details.

**MARY IBIS** is on vacation and out of the office until August 1.

**MONTREAT YOUTH CONFERENCE:** Nine Second Presbyterian Youth and three adults will attend the 2022 Montreat Youth Conference from July 24-30. The theme for this year's conference is *More Than Enough*. The youth will learn that "because of God's love, created in God's image, and filled with God's spirit, we are assured that we are enough, we have enough, and we are empowered to do more than enough." Youth leave Montreat knowing that their faith matters, they are loved as they are and they are part of a community of faith. During that time, the SPY group will be sharing a special meal at the home of Jody and Sharon Welker in Black Mountain, NC.

**YOUNG ADULTS GROUP:** Young Adults (18-35ish) are invited to join us at our regular fellowship events. We can be found every Sunday after the 10:00 a.m. worship service for lunch and discussion. We also meet offsite every other Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. for trivia and fellowship. To inquire about these events or get on our mailing list to find out about special events, contact [grantwright@secondpreslr.org](mailto:grantwright@secondpreslr.org).

**FWYC (FAMILIES WITH YOUNG CHILDREN) SUNDAY DINNERS:** Sunday Dinner is "still cooking." The McCormacks have offered to host families with babies through elementary school aged children at "Sunday Dinner" 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. One week/month will be at the church in the **Great Hall/Playground**. Attend when you can/want to, or even every week! Main dish provided, bring a side dish or dessert to share. The McCormacks' address is 2 Northwest Ct. Little Rock, AR 72212. Contact Grant Wright with questions [grantwright@secondpreslr.org](mailto:grantwright@secondpreslr.org). **July:** 24 (McCormacks) **August:** 7 (Church), 14 (McCormacks), 21 (SKIP), 28 (McCormacks)

**DADS NIGHT OUT:** Dads! Get together *monthly* to catch up with each other and solve the world's problems. Venues change and include bar Trivia, backyards and restaurants depending on current Covid conditions and comfort levels. To be added to the list for current plans, contact Grant Wright at [grantwright@secondpreslr.org](mailto:grantwright@secondpreslr.org).

**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.**  
Chris Boggs

**10:00 A.M.**  
Scott Polk  
Dan Voth



**STEPHEN  
MINISTRY**

*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 24**

Worship 8:30 and 10:00  
\*Montreat Youth Conference  
\*Young Adults Lunch 11:15  
\*FWYC Sunday Dinner 4:00

**MONDAY, JULY 25**

\*Montreat Youth Conference  
Pastoral Care 1:30  
Stephen Ministry 6:00  
Volleyball 7:00  
Boy Scouts 7:00

**TUESDAY, JULY 26**

\*Montreat Youth Conference  
MGM Men's Bible Study 7:00

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 27**

\*Montreat Youth Conference  
Staff Meeting 9:00  
SPY Wednesdays at Church 5:00  
Adult Choir 6:00

**THURSDAY, JULY 28**

\*Montreat Youth Conference  
\*Young Adults Group 7:00

**FRIDAY, JULY 29**

\*Montreat Youth Conference  
\*Cheeses With Jesus 6:30

**SATURDAY, JULY 30**

\*Montreat Youth Conference  
Property Work Day 8:30

**SUNDAY, JULY 31**

Worship 8:30 and 10:00  
\*Montreat Youth Conference  
\*Young Adults Lunch 11:15

\* Denotes announcement in bulletin

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