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**THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

NOVEMBER 13, 2022

8:30 AND 11:00 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 *Prelude in G major, BWV 541 (8:30)* J. S. Bach

Be Thou My Vision (11:00) C. Mokebust
SPC Youth Ringers

*** CALL TO WORSHIP (RESPONSIVE)**

I was glad when they said to me,
"Let us go to the house of the Lord!"

To give thanks to the name of the Lord.

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem:
"May they prosper who love you."

**"Peace be within your walls,
and security within your towers."**

For the sake of my relatives and friends I will say,
"Peace be within you."

**For the sake of the house of the Lord our God,
I will seek your good.**

*** HYMN NO. 403** *Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty* UNSER HERRSCHER

*** CALL TO CONFESSION**

*** PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)**

**O Giver of every good and perfect gift, we confess that we are poor
stewards of your bounty. You give us time, but we waste it. You give us life,
but we use it to glorify ourselves. You give us wealth, but we make it serve
our own comfort and security. We miss out on the joy and affirmation that
you give us when we are generous and share in the work of your
kingdom. Move our hearts O God, that we may be joyful givers. Forgive us
now for all of our sins, as we continue to pray...**

(Silent Confession)

*** DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS (RESPONSIVE)**

*** 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.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Terri, Lila and June Cross

SUNG CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Hymn No. 301, Verse 1

**Let us build a house where love can dwell
and all can safely live,
a place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive.**

**Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace;
here the love of Christ shall end divisions:**

all are welcome; all are welcome; all are welcome in this place.

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Please take the red friendship pad, sign your name and pass it down the pew and back, noting the names of those worshiping with you. We encourage visitors to provide the information requested that we might be aware of your presence with us.

GOSPEL LESSON

MATTHEW 6:19-21

NT, P. 6

ANTHEM

Seek Ye First (8:30)

Lafferty

SPC Vocal Consort

Soloists, Satia Spencer and Janette Robinson

Peaceful River (11:00)

M. Donnelly

SPC Youth Ensemble

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

EXODUS 25:1-9

OT, PP. 70-71

SERMON

Let's Build a House Where Your Love Dwells

Jody Welker

HYMN NO. 697

Take My Life

HENDON

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

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

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY

Prelude

G. Bales

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING

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

* INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

* HYMN NO. 716

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

BEACH SPRING

* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Toccata in G major

J. Weaver

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

The Reverend Jody Welker

The Reverend Marie Mainard O'Connell

The Reverend Lindy Vogado

Grant Wildwright, Interim Director of Families and Young Adult Ministries

Dr. Bevan Keating, Director of Music and the Arts

Mary Ibis, Associate Director of Music and the Arts

Adam Savacool, Organist

Clint Brockway, Interpreter

Liturgists: (8:30) Cotten Cunningham (11:00) Melissa Hendricks

Elders of the Day: (8:30) Susan Marsh (11:00) Marge Ana Luttrell

Ushers: (8:30) Janie Hopkins, Chris McDaniel, Jan Trotter, Ann Norwood

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.

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.

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, 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 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).

IS IT YOUR BIRTHDAY MONTH? REMEMBER THE BIRTHDAY FUND! If you have a November birthday, you may give a gift as well as receive a gift. You are invited to give a dollar celebrating each year of your age to our church's endowment fund. You may also give in honor or in memory of the birthday of a loved one. Our endowment fund supports all of the ministries of our church, such as outreach missions, youth scholarships, pastoral care, music, Christian education and more. Celebrate your birthday at the Birthday Fund table today in the Narthex. Birthday Fund envelopes are located at the table, at the Welcome Center and in the church office.



STEWARDSHIP SEASON
NOVEMBER 20—DEDICATION SUNDAY

Let Us Build A House Where Love Can Dwell

*“The Lord said to Moses,
‘Tell the Israelites to bring me an offering. You
are to receive the offering for me from
everyone whose heart prompts them to give.
Then have them make a sanctuary for me, and I
will dwell among them.’”
(Exodus 25:1-2, 8)*

During our stewardship season, we are asking: Where do you see God’s love dwell at Second Presbyterian? We hope you will fill out a slip of paper on the table in the Narthex which we will place on our banner. As we look to the finances in 2023, we invite you to consider the kind of house we want to “build” for God through the ministry of this church. We ask you to pray about how you might support the work of God here. On November 20, 2022, we will be dedicating those estimated gifts which will be used to fund our 2023 annual budget.

FALL BIBLE STUDY: 50 PASSAGES IN 50 DAYS: The last meeting of this study will be Monday, November 13 at Noon. Please join us in Room 67. The next readings are in the **Book of Acts:** November 7, Acts 2 and November 8, Acts 10.

NEWCOMER DISCOVERY SEMINAR: Today from 9:45 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. in Room 60. This one hour session is designed for those who are newcomers to Second Presbyterian Church – as visitors or as new members. We will start out with some fellowship and refreshments, before diving into a Crash Course. This will be an overview of what it means to be a part of this congregation: some history, some things we believe, what we offer as a family of faith, and what we expect from our church family members. Contact Catherine Allsbury (catherineallsbury@secondpreslr.org).

HANGING OF THE GREENS is Sunday, November 27! Join us for a church-wide breakfast at 9:00 a.m., then decorating for Advent, service and craft projects for all ages, and a single worship service at 11:00 a.m. Make your breakfast reservation (\$5 each, \$20 per family) by contacting the church office, or use this QR code.



AFGHAN WELCOME PROJECT: We are seeking a volunteer to be in charge of coordinating medical care for our first Afghan family. While their most urgent needs have been addressed, we still need help coordinating the routine care and appointments for the two adults and eight children in their household. We are asking for a 12 month commitment while they continue to transition into independence. Please call Dora Jane Flesher (501-258-3219) or Julie Font (501-351-3809) for more details if you would like to help this wonderful family!

CHEESES WITH JESUS: Our next meeting will be Wednesday, November 30, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. #5 Berwyn Drive, Little Rock. Continuing our study of flawed characters in the Bible, we will look at the struggle between brothers Jacob and Esau. What does their story suggest to us about learning to reconcile as adult siblings? For our next Service Project, we will be collecting funds to purchase Christmas gifts for one or two children at Centers for Youth & Families. We will be accepting contributions in November, so that Santa’s helper(s) have time to make purchases in time for Christmas.

FAITH AND GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP: Join us in Second Hall on Tuesday, November 15, at Noon for our grief support group. Jeanne Lloyd will share her journey of faith and grief with the group. Lunch is provided. Please register at www.faithandgrief.org, with the QR code or in the office to ensure we have enough lunches.



SECOND HALL SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS: Join us for *Christian Caregiving: a Way of Life* by Kenneth C. Haugk, a brilliant guide to offering love and care during times of crisis without becoming overwhelmed or over-involved. This study is led by our Stephen Ministry leader team and the book is *strongly recommended* and available for \$15.00 in the church office. Our class today will be led by Steve Dunnagan, focusing on chapters 7-9.

TEXT DEVOTIONAL SIGN-UP: Among the Advent devotionals available this year is a new opportunity to have a daily scripture and action reflection texted directly to your phone November 27 through January 6. Simply use this QR code or text "Advent Devo" to Rev. Marie at 214-686-6347.



ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES: Join these Adult Sunday School classes starting at 9:50 a.m.! Connections Cafe (Room 62) younger adults (20s to 40ish) gather to discuss careers, families, and current life issues, led by Kathryn Hyde. Seeking More Light (Room 67 & Zoom) with Greg Adams is reading Barbara Brown Taylor's book *Always a Guest*. Copies are available in the church office. Adult Bible Study (Zoom and Library) with Graham Catlett continues *The Present Word* curriculum for discussion of biblical texts. Spiritual Nourishment (Zoom & Heritage Room) with Nancy Hicks continues to study *Being Belonging Doing: Balancing Your Three Greatest Needs* in their intimate and caring exploration of personal faith. For Zoom links and more information please contact Rev. Marie Mainard O'Connell at mariemo@secondpreslr.org.

MIDWEEK ADULT EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES to enliven your faith during the week, on Zoom and in person. *First and Third Monday Morning Bible Study* meets November 7 at 9:30 a.m. to study chapters 8-10 of Archbishop Desmond Tutu's "The Book of Forgiving". *Tuesday Men's Group Ministry:* each Tuesday at 7:00 a.m., men gather in person in Second Hall and on Zoom for encouragement, support, and bible study. Free donuts and coffee! For more information, Zoom address, questions and ideas please contact Rev. Marie Mainard O'Connell at 214-686-6347 and mariemo@secondpreslr.org

UPDATE FROM YOUR PASTOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE

More great news from the PNC! The MIF (Ministry Information Form) has been posted to the Church Leadership Connection (CLC) site for prospective candidates, and we have begun getting applicants! The next ongoing part of the process is for us to prayerfully evaluate these applications/applicants and determine who we want to consider further. Please continue reaching out to your connections with other Presbyterian pastors or folks in the pastor community. Let them know we're looking, and let us know if you've got contacts we can reach out to. Again, if you visit a church in your travels and the pastor knocks your socks off, we'd love to have those recommendations. Continue to pray for us as we continue this search.

PNC Members: Beth Sigler, Moderator, Greg Adams, Christina Littlejohn
Jim Marsh, Kathryn McMillan, Jennifer Rigsby, and Jón Stevenson

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SARAH JANE GUZMAN STAINED GLASS DEDICATION: Today, during the 9:00 a.m. service in Second Hall, we will dedicate a stained glass panel made in memory of Sarah Jane Guzman, 9:00 Worship Music Leader, Adult Choir Member, Children's Music Assistant and beloved church member. Sarah Jane died in 2021. The stained glass panel was lovingly made and donated to our church by Sage Arnold. It will hang in Second Hall in memory of Sarah Jane.

THE ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY is hosting an Electric Vehicle (EV) Information and Demonstration Event at Second Presbyterian today after the 11:00 a.m. service. We will have speakers from our church explain the benefits of EVs, the different types available, and the availability of federal tax credits. We will also have demonstrations and owners to answer your questions. We will begin our program in Second Hall and then go to the parking lot to look at specific vehicles.

SECOND PRESBYTERIAN YOUTH (SPY) UPDATE: Lots of fun events coming up! Get together in the Youth Building: TODAY from 5:30-7:00 p.m. we will have dinner and an outreach project. From 5:00-7:30 p.m. on November 27 there will be dinner and decorating. On December 11 from 5:30-7:00 p.m. we have a Ferncliff field trip planned. Meet at the Youth Building for transportation. Our Christmas Lock-In is planned for December 21 in the Youth Building. If you are interested in more information about any of these programs, please reach out to Maggie Kirchner, maggiikirchner@secondpreslr.org.

FAMILY AND YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY UPDATES

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP: Young Adults (18-35ish) are invited to join us at our regular fellowship events. We meet on Sundays in the Narthex after the 11:00 a.m. worship service for lunch and discussion. We also meet offsite every other Thursday 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 grantwildwright@secondpreslr.org.

SPY KIDS PUMPKIN BREAD: Hey 4th and 5th graders! We hope you'll join us today, November 13, after 11:00 a.m. worship to bake pumpkin bread for our Friends at Home. Transportation from the church will be provided for those who will meet their families at Friendsgiving at Murray Park. For more information or to RSVP, contact Grant Wildwright at grantwildwright@secondpreslr.org.

FRIENDSGIVING: Come join us today, November 13, from 2:00-5:00 p.m. for our annual Families with Children Friendsgiving! This will take the place of the regularly scheduled Family Dinner. Sign up to bring a side dish, dessert, or drinks! For more information, contact Amara Yancey at amarayancey@gmail.com.

SUNDAY FAMILY DINNERS: Families with children are invited to dinners every other week (alternating with Sunday Evening SPY) at the home of the McCormack family. There will be no dinner on November 20 or during winter break. Dinner will be held December 4, December 18 and January 8. Main dish provided, bring a side dish or dessert to share. The McCormacks' address is 2 Northwest Ct. Little Rock, AR 72212. Contact Grant Wildwright with questions grantwildwright@secondpreslr.org.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL: There are Sunday School options for all ages of children starting at 9:50 a.m. each Sunday. Toddlers and Preschoolers have Beginners Sunday School in the Nursery, while Elementary Age kids meet in the Bible Village downstairs. We teach from the SparkHouse curricula, incorporating audio, visual, and tactile learning. With any questions, contact Grant Wildwright at grantwildwright@secondpreslr.org

SECOND READERS book reading group meets Wednesday, Nov. 16 at 3:00 p.m. in Second Hall and via Zoom to discuss future leadership and reading schedule. Please attend if you are interested in seeing this group remain active in 2023.

LAST GAME DAY for this calendar year is this Sunday, November 13 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.



**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

-OR-

If you are interested in learning more about our upcoming Stephen Ministry training class, 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
Rev. Alisa Secrest 501-227-0000

**STEPHEN MINISTRY
GIVING COMFORT, LIFTING SPIRITS**

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.

NOVEMBER WORSHIP USHER CAPTAINS

8:30 A.M.

Ann Norwood

11:00 A.M.

Chris Boggs
Lauren Gann



**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, NOVEMBER 13

Worship 8:30, 9:00 and 11:00
*Sarah Jane Guzman Stained Glass
Dedication 9:00
*Newcomer Discovery Seminar 9:45
Sunday School 9:50
*SPY Kids Pumpkin Bread 12:15
*Electric Vehicle Information and
Demonstration Event 12:15
Young Adults Lunch 12:15
Game Day Afternoon 2:00
*Friendsgiving 2:00
MS and HS SPY 5:30
Basketball Practice 7:00

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14

Day Ringers 12:00
*Fall Bible Study 12:00
Pastoral Care 1:30
Stephen Ministry 6:00
Boy Scouts 7:00
Volleyball 7:00

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15

Men's Group Bible Study 7:00
*Faith and Grief 12:00
Session Meeting 7:00

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16

Staff Meeting 9:00
Two Rivers Park Clean Up 9:00
Second Readers 3:00
*WACKY 5:00
Adult Choir 6:00

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17

*Young Adults Group 7:00
Guys Night Out 7:00

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18

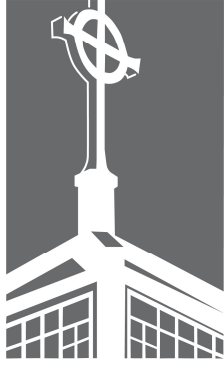
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20

Worship 8:30, 9:00 and 11:00
Sunday School 9:50
Young Adults Lunch 12:15
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Basketball Practice 7:00

* Denotes announcement in bulletin

VISION STATEMENT



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CHURCH OFFICERS

SESSION

Moderator: Jody Welker
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Garry Mertins
John Ransom

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