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

**JUNE 18, 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**            *Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty*            arr. John B. Dykes

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

Worship the Lord with gladness!

*Psalm 100:2, 5*

**We come into God's presence with singing.**

For the Lord our God is good.

**God's steadfast love endures forever,**

***And God's peace is everlasting.***

**\* HYMN NO. 643**    *Now Thank We All Our God*

NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT

**\* CALL TO CONFESSION**

Through our Lord Jesus Christ

*Romans 5:2*

we have obtained access

to the grace in which we stand.

With confidence in God's grace and mercy,

let us confess our sin.

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

**Loving God, without your grace**

*Matthew 9:36, 10:16*

**we are like sheep without a shepherd.**

**Sometimes we are harassed by sin**

**and feel helpless against its power.**

**Sometimes, in our sin, we use our own power**

**to harass the helpless.**

**We are wolves in sheep's clothing,**

**innocent as serpents and wise as doves.**

**Forgive us, O Lord, and bring us home.**

**Restore us to your flock and fold, we pray;**

**through Jesus Christ, our Good Shepherd.**

**Amen.**

*(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

Hear the good news of God's love:  
in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

*Romans 5:1, 8*

**Thanks be to God!**

\* 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**

Elizabeth Cahoon

**MINUTE FOR MINISTRY**

Property Ministry

**ANTHEM**

*My Lord, What a Morning*  
Janette Robinson, soprano

M. Hayes

**SCRIPTURE READING**

*EXODUS 19:2-8a*  
*ROMANS 5:1-8*

OT P. 65  
NT P. 155

**SERMON**

*A Peculiar Treasure*

Randy Hyde

**RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD**

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

\* **HYMN NO. 451**

*Open My Eyes, That I May See*

OPEN MY EYES

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.**

**OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS**

**OFFERTORY**

*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

arr. Richard Kingsmore

\* **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. 233**                    *The Day of Resurrection!*                    LANCASHIRE

\* **BENEDICTION**

\* **POSTLUDE**                                    *Jesu*                                    arr. James M. Brickman

### TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

The Reverend Doctor Randy Hyde

The Reverend Marie Mainard O'Connell

Elizabeth Cahoon, Director Youth and Young Adult Ministries

Tracy DePue, Piano

Liturgist: Ann McCoy

Elder of the Day: Ruth Shepherd

Ushers: Marsha and Lindsey Taylor, Diane Karlson, Melissa Hendricks,  
Beth Sigler, J. Dyke and Garry Mertins

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](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.

**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](http://secondpreslr.org/giving) or mailing a check to the church office, **600 Pleasant Valley Drive, Little Rock, Arkansas 72227.**



**A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** will be held on Sunday, June 25, after the 10:00 a.m. worship service in order to receive a report from the Pastor Nominating Committee. There will be one service only on this day.

**SUMMER COFFEE:** Enjoy a cup of joe and a small treat with friends before worship. A coffee cart will be available by the Prayer Garden 8:20 a.m. (weather permitting), and it will be moved into the Narthex prior to the 10:00 service. Take this opportunity to catch up with friends.

**UPDATE FROM THE PASTOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE:** Be listening today for an exciting announcement from your PNC! A congregational meeting will be held next Sunday, June 25, following worship, to hear a report and recommendation from our group. PNC Members: Beth Sigler-Moderator, Greg Adams, Christina Littlejohn, Jim Marsh, Kathryn McMillian, Jennifer Rigsby, and Jón Stevenson.

**DEDICATION OF THE SECOND PRES POLLINATOR GARDEN:** This morning at the 8:30 a.m. garden service, we dedicated our new pollinator garden, which is located near the youth building. This project, which has been supported by the Environmental Stewardship and Property ministries, will support the flourishing of bees, butterflies, and other animals that are beneficial to our local ecosystem. If you would like to get involved in supporting the upkeep of this garden, please contact Carol Young (moderator of the Environmental Stewardship Ministry) or Lindy Vogado in the church office.

**SPC ADULT CHOIR TOUR TO SPAIN:** The Second Presbyterian Adult Choir is currently finishing up its tour of Spain, and will return tomorrow. Today, their final concert is in the *Basilica de la Merced* in Barcelona. Please pray for traveling mercies for our friends.

**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 *Dusk Night Dawn* 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!

**PROPERTY WORK DAYS:** The Property Ministry is planning work days for the fourth Saturday of every month from 7:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m., weather permitting. The next one is scheduled for **Saturday, June 24**. There will be weeding, trimming, planting and mulching all around the church. Volunteers are welcome! Contact Bradley Wright at bradwright@comcast.net for more information.

#### **YOUTH MINISTRY UPDATE**

*For more information please contact Elizabeth Cahoon  
elizabethcahoon@secondpreslr.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 6<sup>th</sup> graders, you are welcome to join our Middle School Summer Nights and for all rising 9<sup>th</sup> 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 6<sup>th</sup>-graduated 8<sup>th</sup> 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. June 19, Le Pops Gourmet Ice Lollies. June 26, Kilwins.

High School Students (rising 9<sup>th</sup>-graduated 12<sup>th</sup> 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. June 21, Marco's Pizza. June 28, The Pizza Café West.

**Middle School Mission Camp** registration is open! A local mission camp for middle schoolers from July 31-August 4. For more information please scan this QR Code.



**High School Mission Camp** registration is open! A local mission camp for high schoolers from August 7-11. For more information please scan this QR Code.

**GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP:** Faith and Grief support group meets every third Tuesday in Second Hall at noon. The next meeting is **Tuesday, June 20**. 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](http://faithandgrief.org) or through the church office, so we can have plenty of lunches available.

**WORSHIP DRIVE COMPANIONS:** We need a few people who will offer Sunday morning rides to members who can no longer drive to worship and live nearby. If you can drive someone monthly or so, that would be terrific. We're especially interested in members who can bring our non-driving members here for communion Sundays. Please let Alisa Secrest or Sharon Howard know of your interest in helping in some way.

#### 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 donuts and 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* with the next stop on **Friday, June 30**-- an escape to paradise at Justin's hacienda (8301 Evergreen Drive 72227) for a pool party with cocktails and mocktails. All events start at 7:00 p.m. We are an adult group for those in between "young adult" and retiree and are LBGQTQ+ friendly. Want to jump in the tour? Contact Diane Karlson at (970) 412-3144 for more details. July and August stops coming soon.

**YOUNG ADULTS GROUP:** We welcome all young adult friends to join us on Sundays after 10:00 a.m. worship for lunch at various locations; the location is determined in the narthex by those present. We also meet for bible study or fellowship every Thursday, depending on the week. First and third Thursdays, we meet in the Youth Building for a new bible study called *Second Helpings* where we will teach each other new meals to cook and each receive a "second helping" of Jesus. On the second and fourth Thursdays, we meet at Taco Godoy (14710 Cantrell Rd A1, Little Rock, AR 72223) for dinner and trivia.

**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 meetings will be **July 5** and **August 9**. Please bring a snack or beverage to share; childcare offered at the church. Contact Betsy Apple Eldridge at [bapple48@gmail.com](mailto:bapple48@gmail.com) for more information and to RSVP. We look forward to connecting with you in our beloved community this summer!



#### 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**

**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.

**JUNE WORSHIP USHER CAPTAINS**

**8:30 A.M.**

Diane Holt

**10:00 A.M.**

Marsha Taylor  
Diane Karlson



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

*— Romans 8:28a*

**STEPHEN  
MINISTRY**

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, JUNE 18**

Choir Tour  
Montreat Worship and Music  
Worship 8:30, 10:00

**MONDAY, JUNE 19**

Choir Tour  
Montreat Worship and Music  
Monday Pastoral Care 1:30  
Boy Scouts 7:00  
Volleyball 7:00

**TUESDAY, JUNE 20**

Montreat Worship and Music  
Men's Group Bible Study 7:00  
\*Faith and Grief 12:00  
Diaconate Meeting 7:00  
Session Meeting 7:00

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21**

Montreat Worship and Music  
Staff Meeting 9:00  
Second Readers 3:00

**THURSDAY, JUNE 22**

Montreat Worship and Music  
\*Young Adult Bible Study 7:00

**FRIDAY, JUNE 23**

Montreat Worship and Music

**SATURDAY, JUNE 24**

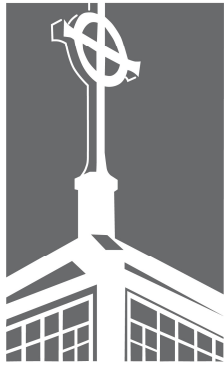
\*Property Work Day 7:30

**SUNDAY, JUNE 25**

Worship 10:00  
\*Congregational Meeting

\* Denotes announcement in bulletin

## VISION STATEMENT



INVITED  
BY CHRIST  
IMPACTING  
THE WORLD  
INCLUSIVE  
OF ALL

### CHURCH OFFICERS

#### SESSION

Moderator: Randy Hyde  
Clerk: Philip Shell  
Assistant Clerk: George Keck  
Treasurer: Kenneth Rich

#### CLASS OF 2024

Marge Anna Luttrell  
Barry McVinney  
Somerset Sea  
Joseph Yancey  
Carol Young

#### CLASS OF 2025

Alicia Byrd  
Cotten Cunningham  
Kate Franks  
George Keck  
Vernon Markham

#### CLASS OF 2026

Mary Helen Henry  
Leslie McCormack  
Ruth Shepherd  
Alan Solomon  
Justin Villines

#### YOUTH ELDER

Lena Nelson

#### DIACONATE

Moderator: Chris Boggs  
Vice Moderator: Marsha Taylor  
Secretary: Jamie Gomez

#### CLASS OF 2024

Chris Boggs  
Amber Griffin  
Christin Hankins  
Diane Holt  
Kathryn Hyde  
Katie King  
Ann Norwood  
Shannon Rookey  
Marsha Taylor

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Lauren Gann  
Jamie Gomez  
Freddie Jolley  
Diane Karlson  
Johanna Lewis  
Jo Paulus  
Ashton Pickell  
Scott Polk  
Margo Shoffner  
Becky Talmadge  
Dan Voth  
Galen Wenger  
Bradley Wright

#### CLASS OF 2026

Matt Christenson  
Cindy Downs  
David Eifling  
Judy Johnson  
Amy Lloyd  
Ann Owen  
Emma Ryall  
Matthew Smith  
L.B. Vaught  
Zachary Ward

#### YOUTH DEACON

Joseph Lloyd