

## Are You 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, regardless 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](https://secondpreslr.org/give)

## Usher/Greeter Volunteers

If you are interested in being an Usher/Greeter, you may contact the following deacons to get involved.

### March Usher Captains

**8:30am** (3/10) Matthew Smith, (3/17) Scott Polk, (3/31) Scott Polk

**11am** (3/10) Freddie Jolley, (3/17, 24, & 31) Diane Karlson

## Calendar for the Week Ahead

### SUN MAR 10

**8:30am** Worship

**9:50am** Sunday School

**11am** Worship

**1:30pm** Praeclara Ringers

**4pm** Church Family Dinner offsite

**5:30pm** Middle School SPY

**6:30pm** SPY Dinner

**7pm** High School SPY

### MON MAR 11

**1:30pm** Monday Pastoral Care

**3pm** Prayer Shawl Ministry

**6pm** Stephen Ministry

**7pm** Boy Scouts

**7pm** Volleyball, Open Gym in Great Hall

### TUES MAR 12

**7am** Men's Group Bible Study

**9am** Staff Meeting

**10am** Presbyterian Women Gathering

**1pm** Card Making

**5:30pm** Environmental Stewardship

**6pm** Fellowship Ministry

**6pm** Outreach Ministry

### WED MAR 13

**5:30pm** Lenten Wednesday Dinner, Second Hall

**5:30pm** W.A.C.K.Y.

**6pm** Lenten Lecture Series, Second Hall

**6pm** MS Girls Bible Study

**6:30pm** Adult Choir

**6:30pm** Basketball

**7pm** High School Small Group offsite

### THURS MAR 14

**12:00pm** Heritage Committee

### SUN MAR 17

**8:30 & 11am** Worship

**9:50am** Sunday School

**1:30pm** Praeclara Ringers



### MORE OPPORTUNITIES TO CONNECT

Take a look at the bulletin insert for more ways to get involved. Visit us at our website: [secondpreslr.org](https://secondpreslr.org).  
Subscribe to our eNewsletter at [info@secondpreslr.org](mailto:info@secondpreslr.org).



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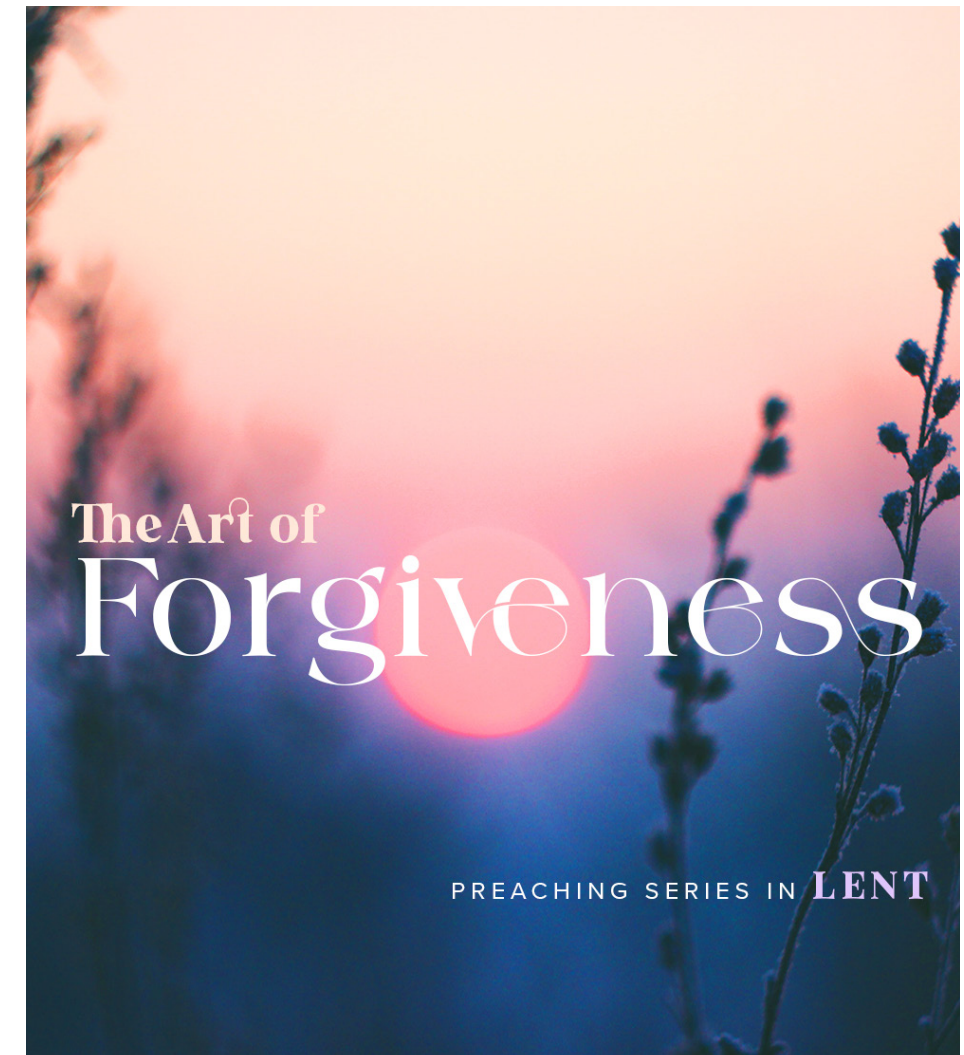
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SUN  
MAR 10  
2024

Welcome TO WORSHIP



PREACHING SERIES IN LENT



Second  
PRESBYTERIAN LITTLE ROCK

Fourth Sunday of LENT

# Today in Worship

8:30 & 11AM

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.*

## CHIMING OF THE HOUR

### WELCOME

*Please let us know you are worshipping with us. 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 so we can be aware of your presence with us.*

## PRELUDE

### † CALL TO WORSHIP

Bless the Lord, O my soul!

**And all that is within me, bless God's holy name.**

Bless the Lord, O my soul!

**And do not forget all God's benefits.**

The Lord forgives our sins and shortcomings;

**And heals us inside and out;**

Let us give thanks for the many blessings in our lives

**Let us BE – A blessing!**

*(Romans 4:16-17)*

† **HYMN 305** *Come Sing, O Church, in Joy* DARWALLS 148TH

## CALL TO CONFESSION

Create in us a clean heart, O God;

**and renew a right spirit within us.**

We come to this time of confession to expose our lives to your grace.

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Holy God, we recognize that we are sinful people. We are sorry for the times we have been silent when we could have spoken up and for the times we have shied away from sharing the gospel of hope with others. Forgive us for the times we put our own comfort, security, and pride before You. Help us believe that You can take our failures and use them to encourage and bless others. In Jesus' Name. Amen.**

*(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

The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love.

**God does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities.**

As far as the east is from the west,

**so far has God removed our transgressions from us.**

Friends hear and trust in the good news of the gospel.

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

## PASSING OF THE PEACE

O Lord, open my lips,

**and my mouth will declare your praise.**

We join our voices together and offer one another forgiveness through these words of welcome: the peace of Christ be with you!

**And also with you.**

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

## PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

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

## MINUTE FOR MINISTRY: FELLOWSHIP MINISTRY

## TIME FOR THE CHILDREN

**OLD TESTAMENT READING** Psalm 103: 1-13

**ANTHEM** *Panis Angelicus* C. Franck  
Melanie Hanna Ezell, Soprano

**SECOND READING** Genesis 50:15-21

**SERMON** *Where'd THAT Come From?* Rev. Alisa Secrest

*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.*

## RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

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

† **HYMN 620** *Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven* LAUDA ANIMA

## 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

## † 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 299** *You Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim* HANOVER

## † BENEDICTION

† **CHORAL BENEDICTION** *O Savior of the World* E. Daley  
SPC Adult Choir

## † POSTLUDE

## Worship Leaders

Rev. Dr. Benjamin E.E. Kane / Rev. Alisa Secrest

Dr. Bevan Keating, Director of Music and the Arts

Elizabeth Cahoon, Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries

Adam Savacool, organist

Clint Brockway, Interpreter

Liturgists: (8:30am) Diane McVinney (11am) Lydia Kane

Elder of the Day: (8:30am) Carol Young, (11am) Kate Franks

## Joys & Prayer Requests

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.