

# Sunday Worship

September 19, 2021,

9:30 a.m.

*Welcome friends in Christ! We are glad you have come to worship today and to celebrate the love of God in Jesus Christ. We extend a warm greeting of Christian Fellowship to you.*

\*Congregation standing for those who are able.

## Our Approach to God

Prelude *To God Be The Glory* Crosby & Doane  
One License #94978

The Call to Worship Psalm 1:3a

When the life within us is dry and parched,  
**God's word is our wellspring, our fount of living water.**

Like trees planted by streams of water,  
**We come into God's presence, so that we might flourish and bear fruit.**

Let us worship the One who offers us wisdom  
**and teaches us how to serve. Amen!**

The Hymn of Praise *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*  
(Congregation does Not sing)

The Call to Confession Mark 9:35  
Jesus said, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." Let us humble ourselves before God and confess our sins, trusting that when we do, we are sure to find mercy.

\*The Prayer of Confession  
Gracious God,  
**forgive our foolishness, for we have sought our own glory at the expense of our neighbors' well-being and stirred up conflict where we've been called to bring peace.**  
Give us grace to live as you taught us,  
**that our lives might be known by a gentleness born of wisdom, and a humility that reflects Christ's own heart.**  
**Hear us Lord as we approach you in the silence of our heart with our individual intentions** (Silence)  
**O God, teach us to reframe our priorities. Teach us to be servants first, and to let our lives flow from a heart of faith. Amen.**

\*The Assurance of Pardon  
Scripture assures us that if we draw to God, then God will draw near to us. And in Jesus Christ, God has just done that.

**Because of this, we can trust in this good news and be at peace.**  
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!  
**Thanks be to God!**

\*The Gloria Patri *Glory Be to the Father* 579  
**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.**

## The Word of God

The Time with the Children  
The New Testament Reading James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a 313 NT  
The Gospel Reading Mark 9:30-37 61 NT  
The Sermon "Welcome All" Pastor Philomena

## Our Response to Serve

\*The Affirmation of Faith (from A Brief Statement of Faith)  
**We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.**

\*The Hymn *Today, We are Called to Be Disciples* 434  
(verses 1, 3 & 4)

The Morning Prayers and the Lord's Prayer (using sins)  
**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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

The Offering of our Tithes and Gifts

The Offertory

*Blessed Assurance*  
One License #85538

arr. Hayes

\*The Doxology

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures  
here below; Praise Him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son  
and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\*The Prayer of Dedication

\*The Charge and Benediction

Postlude

*Revive Us Again*  
One License #88350

arr. Hayes

**Our guest musician today is – Jean Cole, piano**

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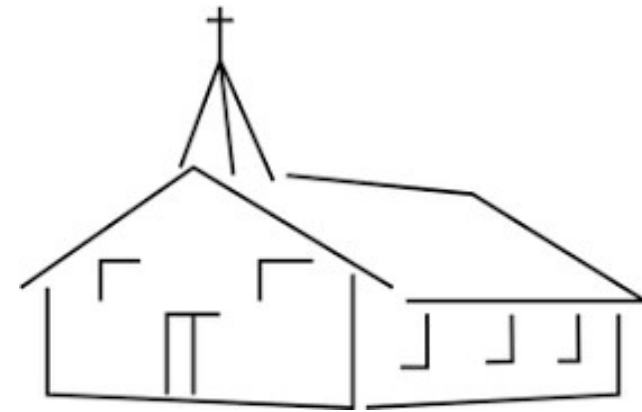
# Second Presbyterian Church

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# Welcome All



Seeking and Serving Christ. We are a Place for Growing Christians.

# *Announcements and Upcoming Events*

## **2<sup>nd</sup> @ Second**

2nd at Second begins on Sunday September 19 after worship. The study this Fall is on "The Story of the Bible". It is one of the Great Courses of Religion and Theology by Professor Luke Timothy Johnson. Join us in the church library for a time of discussion after watching a short video, sharing and reflection.

## **White Elephant Sale**

The annual White Elephant Sale is Saturday, September 25. You may bring any items for donation after worship on Sunday September 19 or M-F September 20-September 24 between the hours of 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. **If you are able to help during set-up, during the sale, or clean-up, sign-up sheets are on the table in the main hallway or call Carol Poole @ 793-7485.**

## **Crop Walk**

The CROP Walk for Hunger is Sunday, October 10th @ 1pm. There are sign-up forms in the front hallway. We can either walk downtown, meeting at the YMCA like in years prior OR you can walk with your own groups somewhere else -- your choice. Here's the link if you would like to register online.  
<https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2021/team/second-presbyterian-church>.

## **Fish Fry**

Mark your calendars for our first-ever drive-thru Fish Fry on Friday, October 15, 2021! Further details will follow in upcoming newsletters and emails. Please keep an eye on the church Facebook page so you can share the event!

We still need help to make this fish fry a success. Sign-up sheets will be in the gathering area soon. Proceeds from the sale go to the Presbyterian Men's Group, which performs many of the maintenance jobs around the church.

Please let one of the following individuals know if you are willing the help:

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