Sunday Morning Worship

September 11, 2022 9:00 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. If you are visiting with us, please introduce yourself to the pastor following the service.

*Congregation standing for those who are able

Our Approach to God

Prelude Piece No. 7 from Kinderszenen Robert Schumann

The Call to Worship Psalm 14

The Lord looks down from heaven to see if there are any who are wise, who seek after God.

They have all gone astray, there is no one who is good, no, not one. Have they no knowledge, those who devour God's people and do not call upon the Lord?

O that our deliverer would come! Lord, restore our lives and make us glad.

Come, let us worship God together! Amen!

*The Hymn of Praise Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven 478

*The Call to Confession Luke 15:10

There is joy in the presence of the angels of God every time we turn toward our home and remember whose we are. With open heart, let us pray.

*The Prayer of Confession

Jeremiah 4:12, Psalm 14:1, Luke 15:5

Creator of the universe, we imagine that we are in familiar territory, that we know what to expect of this honor, that we will leave much the way that we came. Do not abandon us to our foolishness. In judgment, illumine our darkness.

Merciful God, hear us now as we approach you from the silence of our hearts with our individual intentions (Silence).

In mercy, bear us home, until we recognize your presence wherever evils confronted, truth is spoken, and life is restored. Amen.

The Assurance of Pardon

But this we call to mind, and therefore have hope. The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases,

God's mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning. In the name of the Lord, who is our portion and our hope, I declare that our sin is forgiven.

May our mouths be filled with praise. Thanks be to God. Amen.

*The Response

Sanctuary

Lord prepare me to be a sanctuary. Pure and holy, tried and true. With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.

The Anthem "The Gift of Love" arr. Hal Hopson

The Word of God

The Time with the Children

The Old Testament Reading Exodus 32:7-14 page 100 OT
The New Testament Reading Luke 15:1-10 page 105 NT
The Sermon "Lost and Found" Pastor Philomena

Our Response to Serve

*The Affirmation of Faith: (The Iona Abbey Worship Book)

With the whole church,

We affirm that we are made in God's image, befriended by Christ, empowered by the Spirit.

With people everywhere.

We affirm God's goodness at the heart of humanity planted more deeply that all that is wrong.

With all creation,

We celebrate the miracle and wonder of life, the unfolding purposes of God forever at work in ourselves and in the world. Amen.

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*The Hymn Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

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 Piece No. 1 from *Kinderszenen* Robert Schumann

*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

The Congregational Response God Be With You Till We Meet Again

God be with you till we again; By His counsels guide, uphold you, With His sheep securely fold you; God be with you till we meet again.

*Postlude Piece No. 2 from *Kinderszenen* Robert Schumann

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Liturgist: Genie Herter

Greeters: The Rousseau Family

Fellowship Coffee Servers: Heather Rousseau

The flowers today are from the funeral of Vera Dice. We continue to offer our prayers and condolences to the family.

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Seeking and Serving Christ We are a Place for Growing Christian

Announcements and Upcoming Events



Florence Gilmour Circle

Florence Gilmour Circle begin their monthly meeting on **Wednesday, September 14**, at 9:30 a.m. in the church library. We will continue our study of "Bad Girls of the Bible".

Join us for a bite to eat and some great fellowship!

White Elephant Sale

Clean out your garages and closets this summer and keep in mind we'll have our annual White Elephant Sale on **Saturday**, **October 8**. Sign-up sheets are on the table in the gathering area. Don't bring your items yet but keep the date in mind. All proceeds from the sale are used to support many non-profit groups in our area and abroad.



Music and Worship Committee

We need your help!! The Music and Worship Committee is looking for volunteers to help with Fellowship Hour after worship service on Sundays. We would like to offer coffee, juice, donuts or cookies after worship service. There is a sign-up sheet available so please look for a Sunday service you would like to host! Thank you for supporting fellowship at Second Presbyterian Church!

2nd @ Second

Beginning Sunday, September 18 @ 10:15 in the library, we will begin our study of "Celebrating Sabbath: Accepting God's Gift of Rest and Delight" by Carol M. Bechtel. No need to sign up, just grab a refreshment and join in the fun!

Sunday School News



We are excited to announce we have a new Sunday school curriculum! It is entitled Follow Me. We will be holding Sunday school this year during church service as always but have elected to choose 2 Sundays per month in hopes of more children at each session. The following dates are slated for 2022. September 11 & 25, October 10 &

23, November 6 & 20, and December 4 & 18. Please mark your calendars! **Kick off Sunday is the 11th of September** with Fellowship Coffee & Donuts to follow immediately after worship. If anyone would Like to facilitate in teaching Sunday school this year, please contact Christy Higley, Natalie Martinez or Pam Moran.

Music Notes

Rehearsals for chancel choir and bell choir will be starting up again on Wednesday, September 14th. Bell choir will meet in the bell room from 6 - 7 and chancel choir will meet in the sanctuary from 7 - 8. If you are interested in joining the chancel choir or bell choir, please contact music director Collin Whitfield at the following email address: collin.whitfield@gmail.com.



Fish Fry – Save the Date!

Mark your calendars for our Fish Fry on <u>Friday</u>, <u>October 21</u>, <u>2022</u>! Please keep an eye on the church Facebook page so you can share the event!

We will need plenty of 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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