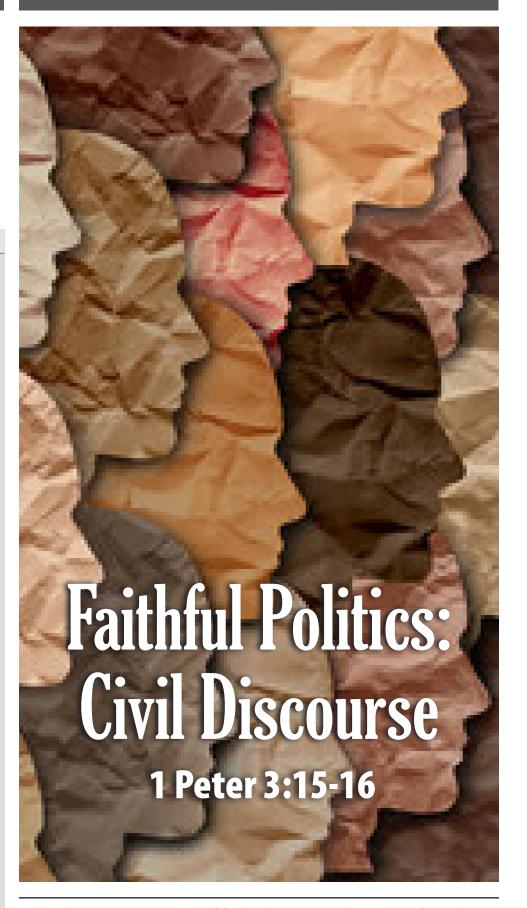


11 AM

Next Sunday, September 27

11 a.m. (LiveStream) Rev. Christopher A. Henry "Faithful Politics: The Common Good"



A welcoming community of faith where Jesus Christ transforms lives



Welcome! We are so glad to have you with us in worship this morning. If you are worshipping with us for the first time, we welcome you into this new sense of sanctuary – friends joined through Livestream, on Facebook, and at home on TV. We are indeed a community of faith and we are most grateful to still share in fellowship together.

Worship Leaders

Rev. Christopher A. Henry Senior Pastor

Rev. Karen L. Lang Senior Associate Pastor for Congregational Life

> Kelly D. Spencer Lake Fellow in Parish Ministry

> > Deacon Debbie Wacker Liturgist

Blake Beckemeyer Sanctuary Choir Section Leader

Dr. Michelle Louer Director of Music and Fine Arts

Dr. John Allegar Organist and Assistant Director of Music and Fine Arts

Want to revisit or share the sermon or worship service from last Sunday (or before)?

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September 20, 2020 — Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

We Come Together as God's People

Prelude

Variations sur un theme de Clément Jannequin

Jehan Alain (1911-1940)

Welcome

Rev. Christopher A. Henry

Call to Worship Rev. Karen L. Lang

One: Gather us in, O God.

All: Your people are here to worship!

One: Hold us in faith, O God.

All: We are here to serve.

One: Send us in hope, O God.

All: We are here to follow.

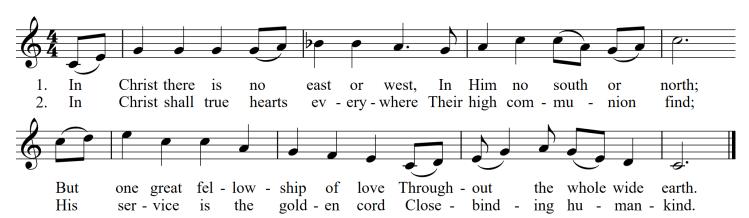
One: Make us your people, O God, as we worship, serve, and follow.

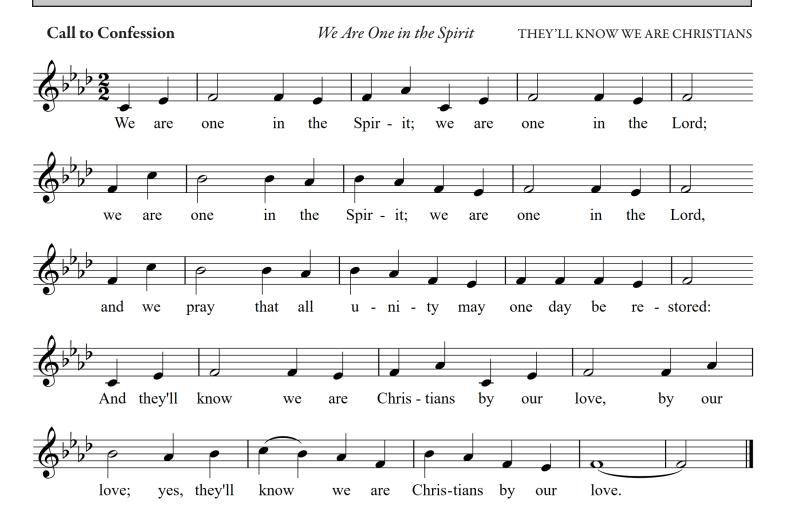
Prayer of Adoration

Opening Hymn #440

In Christ There Is No East or West

MC KEE





Prayer of Confession

God, forgive us.

Our communion is not always visible to the world.

Sometimes we allow divisions to enter the church,

making it hard to see that we are your community.

We act as though we do not need each other.

We do not always love one another.

We do not know and bear one another's burdens.

We fail to build each other up.

We do not always give ourselves willingly and joyfully to one another.

Forgive us, and strengthen us, so that we may live in the unity you grant us.

In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Response of Praise

THEY'LL KNOW WE ARE CHRISTIANS

All praise to our Maker, from whom all things come, And all praise to Christ Jesus, God's only Son, And all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one. And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love; Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

Passing of the Peace

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

We Experience God's Word

Time with Children

Prayer for Illumination

Deacon Debbie Wacker

First Scripture Lesson

Ephesians 4:25-5:2

Anthem

God Be in My Head
Sanctuary Choir Section Leaders

Walford Davies (1869-1941)

God be in my head, and in my understanding; God be in mine eyes, and in my looking; God be in my mouth, and in my speaking; God be in my heart, and in my thinking; God be at mine end, and at my departing.

-Text: Book of Hours, 1514

Second Scripture Lesson

1 Peter 3:15-16

Sermon

Rev. Christopher A. Henry

"Faithful Politics: Civil Discourse"

"Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you..."

(1 Peter 3:15)

We Give Thanks to God

Affirmation of Faith from *A Brief Statement of Faith* Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

Kelly D. Spencer

In life and in death we belong to God.

Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,

and the communion of the Holy Spirit,

we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel,

whom alone we worship and serve.

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,

we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives,

even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth,

praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

With believers in every time and place,

we rejoice that nothing in life or in death

can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Invitation to Discipleship and Generosity

Offertory

Ain't Got Time to Die Sanctuary Choir Section Leaders John Brewer, solo Hall Johnson (1888-1970)

Lord, I keep so busy praisin' my Jesus,
Ain't got time to die.

'Cause when I'm healin' the sick,
I'm praisin' my Jesus,
Ain't got time to die.

Refrain

'Cause it takes all of my time to praise my Jesus, All of my time to praise my Lord. If I don't praise Him, the rocks are gonna cry out "Glory and honor, glory and honor!" Ain't got time to die.

Lord, I keep so busy workin' for the Kingdom,
Ain't got time to die.

'Cause when I'm feedin' the poor,
I'm workin' for the Kingdom,
Ain't got time to die.

Refrain

Lord, I keep so busy servin' my Master, Ain't got time to die.

Refrain

Now, won't you get out of my way,
let me praise my Jesus?
Out of my way, let me praise my Lord?
If I don't praise Him, the rocks are gonna cry out
"Glory and honor, glory and honor!"
Ain't got time to die.

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.

We Go Forth to Serve



Charge and Benediction

Postlude Litanies Jehan Alain

HOW TO STAY CONNECTED ON SUNDAY (and all other days of the week!)

How To Join Us Online

Our fellowship and our traditions are not isolated to one building, one gathering, one Sunday. Your emails, your phone calls, your Facebook posts, and your outreach underscore the strength of our roots and our desire to keep in close touch. You can email us at **Together@SecondChurch.org** if we can help you stay connected!

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- Podcasts, Video, and Audio
- Roku and AppleTV

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If you join us on Facebook, be sure to join the congregation by commenting or posting a photo of *your* sanctuary -- home or wherever you may be! Add the hashtag **#holdingfaithtogether** and **#secondpresindy** so we can all share in our special fellowship together. Also, if you have not done so already, please follow us on Facebook by visiting **Facebook.com/SecondChurch** and selecting "Follow" under the banner image.

GENEROSITY OF SPIRIT



As we give, we fulfill a deep truth of our identity and purpose as children of God. Because giving is what we were created to do, being generous brings great joy to all who engage with the gifts we have been given. Thank you for so generously sharing your gifts among one another, and throughout this welcoming community of faith where Jesus Christ transforms lives. Visit **SecondChurch.org/Give** to learn more.

THE POWER OF PRAYER



We are here to join with you in prayer. How can we support you? To engage with one of our pastors, fill out a **Prayer Request Form** at **SecondChurch.org/Prayer** and we'll be in touch shortly.

News Within the Church Family

Welcome:

Rose Sando
Parents: Courtney and Noah Sando
Birthdate: June 23, 2020

Piper Grace Lees
Parents: Megan and Matthew Lees
Birthdate: July 15, 2020