

WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Christopher A. Henry Senior Pastor

Rev. Madison M. VanVeelen Associate Pastor of Care

Rev. Danny L. Carpenter Lake Fellow in Parish Ministry

> Brittany Babbitt Liturgist

Sanctuary Choir

Dr. Michelle Louer
Director of Music and Fine Arts

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

Second Chamber Players

Patrick Pauloski
Director of Children's and Youth Music
& Second Chamber Players

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PROCESSION

Ewer Bearer Janet Blank

AcolytesProse VanVeelen
Adalena Dykstra

SECOND CHAMBER PLAYERS

Carol Helming, flute Mark Blessing, oboe Cindy Colter, alto saxophone Jenny Dayton, alto saxophone James Young, tenor saxophone Sophia McCormick, horn Dennis Wagner, trumpet Marc Keemer, trumpet Marvin VanVoorhis, trumpet Jeff Reese, euphonium Lee Wygant, bass trombone Kevin Ratliff, percussion Dick Simon, piano Kari Reed, violin Will Colter, viola Meaghan Ratliff, cello Sara Hook, cello Pete Ritz, bass

TODAY'S BAPTISMS

Coen David Carpenter

Parents: Kathleen and Steven Carpenter Birthdate: December 19, 2024

Henry Walsh Sutphin

Parents: Andrew and Madeline Sutphin Birthdate: February 11, 2025

> Elder: Brittany Babbitt Youth Deacon: Elise Klaus Bible Presenter: Katalyna Elia

WELCOME FAMILIES WITH YOUNG CHILDREN

Following today's *Word with Children*, children ages 4 through grade 5 may remain with their families or depart for *Sunday Mornings for Children*. If departing, please assure your child is wearing a nametag. Carol Choir pick up will be in Room 355 at 11:15 AM. Pick up for other sections of *Sunday Mornings for Children* will be in the third-floor hallway at the same time. Childcare is available on the second floor for infants through age 3.

VISUAL AND HEARING ASSISTANCE

Please speak to an usher if you need a large print bulletin, large print hymnal, or an assistive listening device.

October 12, 2025

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

We Come Together as God's People

PreludePrelude in C minor, Op. 37Felix MendelssohnDr. John Allegar, organ(1809-1847)

Sicut cervus desiderat ad fontes aquarum

As the deer longs for springs of water

Second Chamber Players; Patrick Pauloski, conductor

G.P. Palestrina

(c. 1525-1594)

Welcome Rev. Christopher A. Henry

Choral Call to Worship

Rejoice in the Lord

Sanctuary Choir; Dr. Michelle Louer, conductor

Henry Purcell

(1659-1695)

Rejoice in the Lord alway, and again I say rejoice.

Text: Phillipians 4:4

* Call to Worship

Rev. Madison M. VanVeelen

One: God's faithful love endures for ever and ever.

All: Because of God's everlasting goodness, we offer God our thanks and praise.

One: God's faithful love endures for ever and ever.

All: Because of God's care and concern for humanity, we offer God our thanks and praise.

One: God's faithful love endures for ever and ever.

All: Because of God's transforming powers and actions, we gather as a community of faith and trust in God.

One: We offer God our thanks and praise.

* Processional Hymn #457 I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art

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^{*} Prayer of Adoration

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, you showed us in Christ what it means to empty ourselves,

yet we grasp for power and recognition.

You call us to take the form of a servant,

but we seek to be served.

You revealed perfect obedience,

yet we resist the cost of following.

Forgive us, Lord.

Shape in us the mind of Christ,

that we may seek your mercy and trust that in losing ourselves we are found.

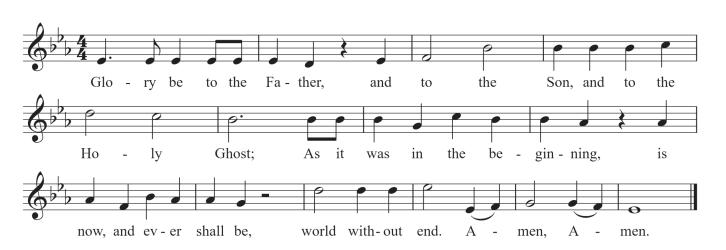
In the name of Jesus, who humbled himself for us, we pray. (Silent Prayer)

Assurance of God's Grace

* Response of Praise

Gloria Patri

Henry Greatorex



* Passing the Peace of Christ

* Hymn #394

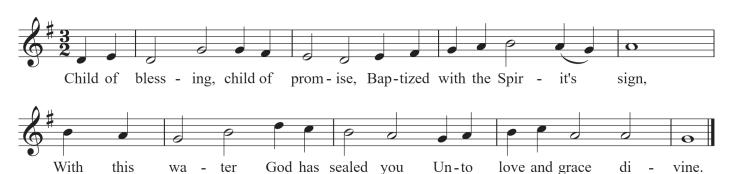
There Is a Balm in Gilead

American Spiritual

We Experience God's Word

The Word with Children

Sacrament of Baptism



Prayer for Illumination

Brittany Babbitt

First Scripture Lesson

Psalm 42:1-7

(p. 504)

Anthem

Like as the Hart Desireth the Waterbrooks

Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

Like as the hart desireth the waterbrooks: so longeth my soul after thee, O God.

My soul is athirst for God, yea, even for the living God: when shall I come to appear before the presence of God?

My tears have been my meat day and night: while they daily say unto me, where is now thy God?

Like as the hart desireth the waterbrooks: so longeth my soul after thee, O God.

When shall I come to appear before the presence of God?

Text: Psalm 42:1-3

Second Scripture Lesson

Philippians 2:1-11

(p. 1069)

Sermon

Rev. Christopher A. Henry

Shallow Gospel

"Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus..."
(Philippians 2:5)

Moment of Silent Meditation

We Give Thanks to God

* Affirmation of Faith

Rev. Danny L. Carpenter

The Apostle's Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church;
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

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.

Invitation to Discipleship and Generosity

Offertory

Lord God of Abraham (from Elijah)
Preston Rogers, bass

Felix Mendelssohn

Lord God of Abraham, Isaac and Israel, this day let it be known that Thou art God, and that I am Thy servant! Lord God of Abraham!

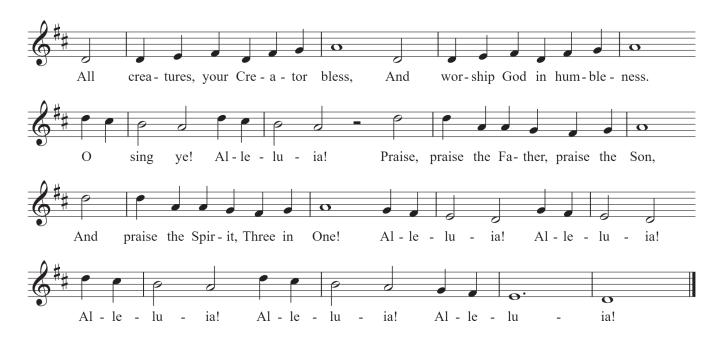
Oh show to all this people that I have done these things according to Thy word. Oh hear me, Lord, and answer me!

Lord God of Abraham, Isaac and Israel, oh hear me and answer me, and show this people that Thou art Lord God.

And let their hearts again be turned!

Text: 1 Kings 18:36a-37

* **Doxology** LASST UNS ERFREUEN



* Prayer of Dedication

We Go Forth to Serve

* Closing Hymn #343 Called as Partners in Christ's Service

BEECHER

- * Charge and Benediction
- * Choral Benediction Go in Peace Hal Hopson (1933-2025)

Go in peace, for God will keep you, if your mind is stayed on Him. Amen.

Postlude Fugue in C minor, Op. 37 Felix Mendelssohn

THE POWER OF PRAYER

We remember in prayer these members who have died, and their loved ones. The white rose in front of the lectern is in memory of:

Stanley "Kim" Leech

The Chancel flowers this morning are given to the glory of God in loving memory of SGT Christopher A. Bowden from the family of Nancy Bowden, Elizabeth, Matt, Kate, and Ruby Rogers.

Would you like one of our pastors to pray with you today? We invite you to come to Milner Chapel immediately following the 10 AM worship service for a short time of communion and prayer. You may also visit **SecondChurch.org/Prayer** to fill out a Prayer Request Form.

If you or a loved one is hospitalized, please contact: **Ashley McNamara,** Coordinator of Pastoral Care

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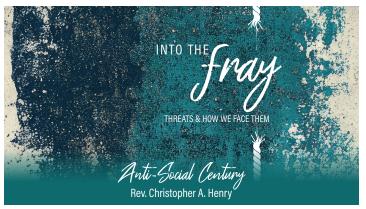




TODAY

Young Adult Brunch
11:30 AM • Another Broken Egg Cafe on North Meridian

NEXT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19



8:15 AM - Chapel Worship

9 AM - Sunday School for All Ages

10 AM - Sanctuary Worship

11:15 AM • Service of Wholeness and Communion • Milner Chapel

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UPCOMING EVENTSSecondChurch.org/Events



Eighth Day of Creation Art ExhibitNow – November 14 • McFarland Hall

Second Act October Gathering
October 13 • 3 PM • McFarland Hall

Beyond the Bridge Documentary ViewingOctober 14 • 6 – 8:30 PM • McFarland Hall

Men at Second Pop Up Social
October 15 • 5:30 PM • Big Lug Canteen in Nora

Shining a Light on Finance at Second October 19 • 11:15 AM • Room 356

Aaron Hungerford Piano Recital October 19 • 3 – 4 PM • Sanctuary

Men at Second Lunch Around
October 21 • 12 PM • Northside or Downtown

Second Act Speaker Series Luncheon
October 22 • 11:30 AM – 1 PM • McFarland Hall

Evening Out with Women at Second

October 22 • 6 – 8 PM • Verde Flavors of Mexico at Ironworks