

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP • 10 AM



FEBRUARY 15

Shine Christ's Light in the Darkness

Matthew 17:1-9



A welcoming community of faith where Jesus Christ transforms lives

WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Karen L. Lang
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Rev. Caroline G. Eader
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Liturgist

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Deacon Moderator

Sanctuary Choir

Dr. Michelle Louer
Director of Music and Fine Arts

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

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PROCESSION

Element Bearers
Ellie Stewart
Audrey Lindsay

Ewer Bearer
Tina Lindsay

Acolytes
Adalena Dykstra
Marco 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.

February 15, 2026

TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

We Come Together as God's People

Prelude *Adagio* (from *Symphony No. 3*, Op. 28)
Dr. John Allegar, organ

Louis Vierne
(1870-1937)

Welcome

Choral Call to Worship *The God of Gods*
Sanctuary Choir; Dr. Michelle Louer, conductor

Rev. Karen L. Lang

Justine Koontz

The Lord, the God of Gods has spoken;
He hath called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.
Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty,
God reveals himself in glory.

Text: Chant from the *Liber Usualis*

*** Call to Worship**

Rev. Caroline G. Eader

One: Great is the Lord,
All: **exalted among the nations.**
One: Mighty is the Lord,
All: **King of heaven and earth.**
One: Holy is the Lord,
All: **beyond our understanding.**
One: Let us worship our God and King!

*** Prayer of Adoration**

*** Processional Hymn #75** *O Wondrous Sight, O Vision Fair*

DEO GRACIAS (15th century)

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession

God of compassion,
in Jesus Christ we behold your transforming light,
yet we continue to live in darkness.

Preoccupied with ourselves,
we fail to see your work in the world.

We speak when we should listen;
we act when we should reflect.

Empower us to live in your light
and to walk in your ways
for the sake of him who is the light of the world,
Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. (Silent Prayer)

Assurance of God's Grace

*** Response of Praise***Gloria Patri*

Greatorex

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the
 Ho - ly Ghost; As it was in the be - gin - ing, is
 now, and ev - er shall be, world with-out end. A men, A - men.

*** Passing the Peace of Christ***** Hymn #74***Jesus on the Mountain Peak*

MOWSLEY

We Experience God's Word**The Word with Children****Prayer for Illumination**

Máire Bungard

First Scripture Lesson

Psalm 99

(p. 540)

Anthem*Yonder Come Day*Georgian Sea Islands/Spiritual
arr. Paul John Rudoi (b. 1985)

Oh day, yonder come day.
 Day done broke inna my soul, yonder come day.
 Good mornin' day, yonder come day.
 A brand new day, yonder come day.

Oh come on child,
 Hush, hush, somebody's callin' my name.
 Oh my Lord, oh my Lord what shall I do?

Oh day, yonder come day.
 I was on my knees, yonder come day.
 When I heard him say, yonder come day.

Oh come on child,
 Steal away, steal away, steal away to Jesus.
 Swing low, sweet chariot, comin' for to carry me home.

Day done broke inna my soul, yonder come day.

Text: Georgia Sea Islands & American Spirituals

Second Scripture Lesson

Matthew 17:1-9

(p. 894)

Sermon

Rev. Karen L. Lang

Shine Christ's Light in the Darkness

*"A bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said,
 'This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!'"*
 (Matthew 17:5)

Moment of Silent Meditation

We Give Thanks to God

* Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

Rev. Thomas P. Markey

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

Come, Peace of God
Caleb Crawford, countertenor

Eugene Butler
(1935-2024)

Come, peace of God, and dwell again on earth,
Come with the calm that hailed thy Prince's birth,
Come with the healing of thy gentle touch,
Come, peace of God, that this world needs so much.

Break every weapon forged in fires of hate,
Turn back the foe that would assail thy gate;
Where fields of strife lie desolate and bare
Take thy sweet flowers of peace and plant them there.

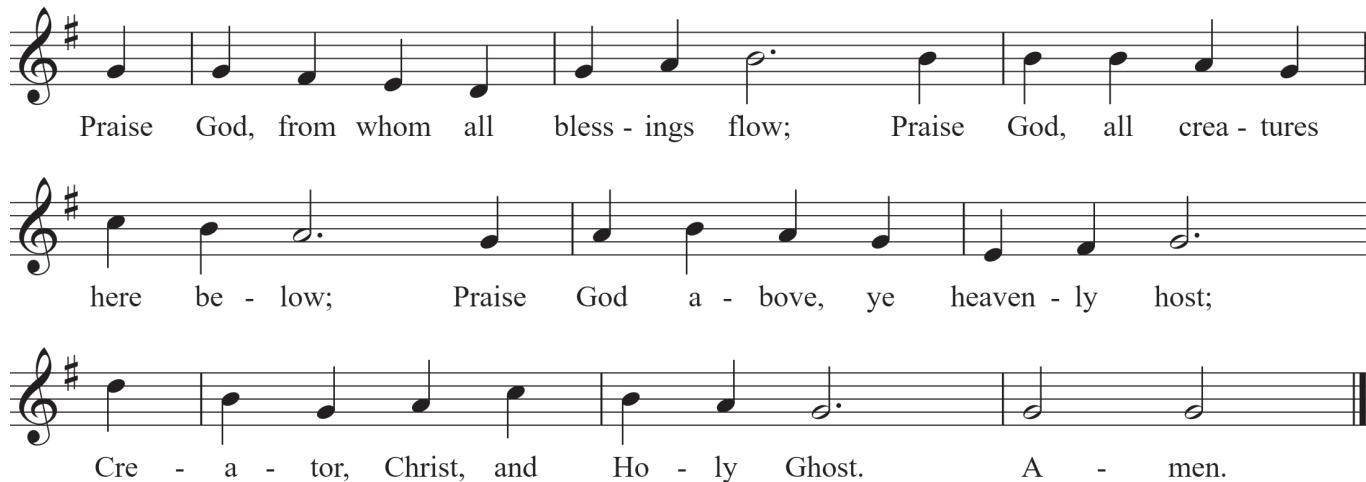
Bring selfish lives from shadowlands of loss
Into the radiance of the Savior's cross,
Wherein that gift so precious, yet so lone,
Life finds its brotherhood and love its throne.

Come, blessed peace as when in hush of eve
God's benediction falls on souls who grieve;
As shines a star when weary day departs,
Come, peace of God, and rule within our hearts.

Text: May Rowland

* Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH



Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* Prayer of Dedication

Ordination and Installation of Deacons *indicates previously ordained

Nancy Bowden*
Ian Bretz
Jane Curdes
Rick Dayton*
Hunter Fletcher

Beth Hecker
Christine Meenan
Chris Munson
Nancy Mutchmore*
Braden Pretzsch

Drew Randle
Sonya Rasmusson
Scott Rodgers
Eric Thomas

Youth Deacons:
Lauren Elliott
Mac McDonald
Quinn Miller
Ben Seufert

CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS:

Do you trust in Jesus Christ your Savior, acknowledge him Lord of all and Head of the Church, and through him believe in one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit?

Do you accept the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be, by the Holy Spirit, the unique and authoritative witness to Jesus Christ in the Church universal, and God's Word to you?

Do you sincerely receive and adopt the essential tenets of the Reformed faith as expressed in the confessions of our church as authentic and reliable expositions of what Scripture leads us to believe and do, and will you be instructed and led by those confessions as you lead the people of God?

Will you fulfill your office in obedience to Jesus Christ, under the authority of Scripture, and be continually guided by our confessions?

Will you be governed by our church's polity, and will you abide by its discipline? Will you be a friend among your colleagues in ministry, working with them, subject to the ordering of God's Word and Spirit?

Will you in your own life seek to follow the Lord Jesus Christ, love your neighbors, and work for the reconciliation of the world?

Do you promise to further the peace, unity, and purity of the church?

Will you seek to serve the people with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love?

Will you be a faithful deacon, watching over the people, providing for their worship, nurture, and service? Will you share in government and discipline, serving in governing bodies of the church, and in your ministry will you try to show the love and justice of Jesus Christ?

QUESTIONS OF THE CONGREGATION:

Do we, the members of the church, accept these deacons, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ? Do we?

Do we agree to encourage them, to respect their decisions, and to follow as they guide us, serving Jesus Christ who alone is Head of the Church? Do we?

Prayer of Ordination

Charge to the Newly Ordained

We Go Forth to Serve

* Closing Hymn

Christ, We Climb with You the Mountain

HYMN TO JOY



1. Christ, we climb with You the moun - tain, Where in sol - i - tude You pray.
2. Christ, stay with us on the moun - tain, For our hearts beat fast with fear,
3. Je - sus, send us to the val - ley Where the road through suf - fring leads.
4. Christ, trans - fig - ured on the mount - ain, Christ, who walked the earth to save!



There your gar - ments, white and glist - 'ning, Shine more bright - ly than the day.
While a might - y Voice that thun - d'ring, Brings God's ma - jes - ty too near:
There we meet Your an - guished peo - ple; There Your world from vio - lence bleeds.
Christ, the Son of God in glo - ry, Christ, who took the form of slave!



Face a - glow with God's own glo - ry, You with an - cient pro - phets talk, Tak -
"Know this man who stands be - fore you Is the Christ, my Son, my own! Lis -
Give us cour - age, when we fal - ter, Not to shrink from pain or loss. Je -
Help the church, Your liv - ing Bod - y, Share with You Love's cost and pain; Till



- ing coun - sel for the jour - ney, Toward the cross you now must walk.
- ten, when you hear Him call you, 'Fol - low Me and Me a - lone!'"
- sus, grant us, as we fol - low, Strength to bear with You the cross.
— the world, re - stored, trans - fig - ured, Shines with God's own Light a - gain!

* Charge and Benediction

* Choral Benediction

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

HOUSTON

I want to see the brightness of God.
I want to look at Jesus.
Clear Sun of righteousness, shine on my path,
And show me the way to Jesus.
In him there is no darkness at all.
The night and the day are both alike.
The Lamb is the light of the city of God.
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

Text: Kathleen Thomerson (1934-2025)

Postlude

Trumpet Tune in C

David N. Johnson
(1922-1987)

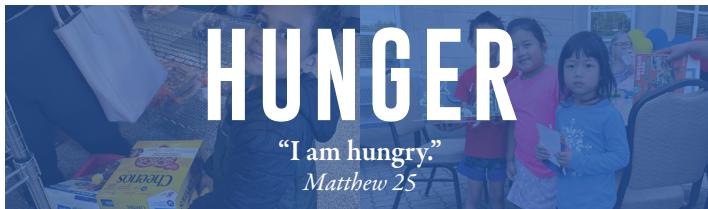
At the conclusion of worship, we invite you to join us in McFarland Hall for coffee, donuts, and community.

THE POWER OF PRAYER

The Chancel flowers this morning are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Alice Turner Scurlock from Sandra Lynch and the Moran family (Bob, Amanda, Isaiah, Ty, and Aidan)

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
AMcNamara@SecondChurch.org



GIVING

SecondChurch.org/Hunger

Many families in the neighborhoods surrounding Second Presbyterian Church are food insecure. Your support of the 2026 Hunger Campaign will be well used to provide groceries for our food pantry, as well as to support food programs for children and families in Washington Township Schools. Visit SecondChurch.org/Hunger or scan the QR code to give.



VISITING TODAY?

Thank you for worshiping with Second! Our Hospitality Team would love to connect and welcome you more fully into the life of Second. Scan this QR code and let us know you were here!



Milner Chapel Chamber Music Series

Lenten Concert

MEDITATION ON THE BODY OF CHRIST

February 22 • 3 PM - 4:30 PM • Milner Chapel



 **ASH WEDNESDAY**

FEBRUARY 18 • 7 PM • SANCTUARY

Service of Worship,
Holy Communion,
and Imposition of Ashes

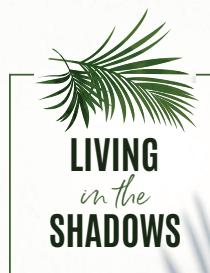


TODAY

New Member Class

11:15 AM • Common Room

NEXT SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22



The Shadow of Temptation

Rev. Christopher A. Henry



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 EVENTS

SecondChurch.org/Events



Memorial Flower Fund: Lillies

Now – March 29 • Online

February 16 • Presidents' Day • Building Closed

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Party

February 17 • 6 – 7:30 PM • Community Room

Young Adult Ash Wednesday Dinner

February 18 • 6 – 7 PM • Common Room

Parenting Through Adolescence

February 22 • 9 AM • Youth Suite West

The Gospel House: A Plan for Daily Bible Study and Prayer

February 22 • 11:30 AM • Common Room

Lenten Concert

February 22 • 3 PM • Milner Chapel

College Care Packages

February 23 – March 23 • Online

Men's Monthly Fellowship

February 24 • 6 – 8 PM • Youth Suite

Women at Second Bunco and Cocoa

February 24 • 6:30 – 8:30 PM • Room 230