



Second Presbyterian
CHURCH OF CHARLESTON

THIS IS GOD'S HOUSE. ALL ARE WELCOME.

"Meeting people at their point of need; Inviting all into a dynamic relationship with Jesus."

February 11, 2024

10:30 a.m.

TRANSFIGURATION

Prelude

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Robert Powell

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

***Are you looking for a church home where you can make a difference for the God we serve?
Where you will be known, nurtured, and challenged? Where you belong?
We welcome you and invite you to spend some time with us.***

Find more information about upcoming events and opportunities on the back of the bulletin or online at www.2ndpc.org/events. You may give online at www.2ndpc.org/give or by texting '2ndpc' to 72356

** (Indicates for worshippers to please stand in body or spirit for this act of worship.)*

***Passing of the Peace and Holy, Holy, Holy**

**Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;
Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity.**

Leader: God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them.
This is the day the Lord has made,

People: **Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

***Call to Worship**

Leader: Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord our God! Glorious and powerful is the God of all creation!

People: **In reverent awe, we gather to worship Jesus.**

Leader: The Lord our God is Judge of all things for all eternity, all people and all places.

People: **In reverent awe, we gather to praise our God.**

Leader: The Lord our God is God! 'Fairness' and 'Justice' are the names of our God.

People: **In reverent awe, we gather to worship Jesus, within the light of God's holiness, justice, mercy and love. Amen.**

ADAPT. ~ written by Joan Stott, on the Geelong City Parish UCA website.
http://www.wesleychurchgeelong.net/w_resources/pentecost18%5b29%5da_2011.htm
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***Hymn**

Crown Him with Many Crowns

#268

Invocation and Lord's Prayer

Unison

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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Time for Children

Children's Sermon

Ken Carrington

Litany of Parting: Children: May God be with you here. **Congregation: May God be with you there.**

Children's Chapel

Children up through 5th grade are invited to the Education Building for a time of fun and faith formation.
Pick up is downstairs at the end of the kindergarten hall.

CONFESSION OF SIN & ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Unison

Forgive us, Lord, when we linger too long by the waters and on the mountain tops enthralled with the glory that flows from you.

When we fail to listen to your voice, leading and guiding us, shake us from our contentment and send us forward, endowed with your power.

~ written by Rev. Madison Shockley, in *Witness to Wonders: Service Prayers for Transfiguration Sunday*.
Posted on the **United Church of Christ** website. http://www.ucc.org/worship_worship-ways_witness-to-wonders-service

Silent Confession and Assurance of Pardon

*Gloria Patri

c. Paul Vasile, 2008

Glo-ry to God, _____ whose good - ness shines on me, and to the
Son, _____ whose grace has par - doned me, and to the Spir - it, _____ whose love has
set me free, As it was in the be-gin-ning, is now and ev-er shall be. A - men.

*Statement of Faith

The Theological Declaration of Barmen

Unison

Jesus Christ, who acts through the power of the Holy Spirit is the Word of God whom we must trust and obey. Jesus is our assurance of God's forgiveness of our sins and deliverance from the fetters of this world. As a Church of pardoned sinners, we are called to testify through our faith and obedience with our message and our work; to serve God's creatures with gratefulness, not establishing dominion of some over the others. We believe in the power of the Word, which upholds all things and entreats all to return to the unity of faith, love and hope.

Taken from The Constitution of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Book of Confessions

BAPTISM of Thomas Mellen

Son of Katie and Jamie Mellen

Leader: Thomas is received into the holy catholic church. Through baptism, God has made him a member of the household of God, to share with us in the priesthood of Christ. I charge you, the people of this congregation, to nurture and love him and to encourage him to be a faithful disciple.

People: **With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you into Christ's church; for we are all one in Christ. We promise to love, encourage and support you, to share the good news of the gospel with you and to help you know and follow Christ.**

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Adam and Catrina Murphy

Covenant of the Church

We, the members of Second Presbyterian Church, renewing our covenant with God and with each other do now welcome you into our fellowship to share the joys and trials, the responsibilities and rewards of Christian discipleship. We pledge to you our support and love to the end that we may all increase in the knowledge and love of God and grow toward the stature of Jesus Christ.

Offertory

"Be Near Me, Lord"

K. Lee Scott

*Be near me, Lord, wherever I go; Teach me what You would have me do;
Direct whatever I do or say; and lead me in the narrow way.*

*Prevent me, lest I harbor pride, Lest I in my own strength confide;
Show me my weakness, let me see I have my power, my all in Thee.*

*Assist and teach me how to pray; Incline my nature to obey;
What You abhor, oh let me flee, and only love what pleases Thee.*

Ushers: Dawn McCready, Rob McCready, Brad Milner

*Doxology

Old Hundredth

**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.**

*Prayer of Dedication

O God, Jesus taught that where our treasure is, there will our hearts be also. In this hour, we come bringing our treasures— all that we have and all that we are. We come seeking your treasure— treasure that does not fade, decay, or disappoint. Share with us the treasure of heaven that we may boldly share it with others. Amen.

~ written by Rev. Dr. Barb Hedges-Goettl, PC(USA) pastor and liturgical scholar. Posted on [bjhlog](https://bjhlog.wordpress.com/2020/02/19/nl-mark-1017-31-the-rich-young-man-march-1-2020/).
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*Hymn

Be Still My Soul

#819

Prayers of the People

Scripture Reading

1 Corinthians 9:24-27

Page 172 (NT)

Sermon

Stickin' With It

Rev. Cress Darwin

*Closing Hymn

Shine, Jesus, Shine

#192

*Benediction and Choral Response

Amen

Weaver

*Postlude

Prelude in A major

J.S. Bach

Large print hymnals are available on the back table

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INFORMATION/ANNOUNCEMENTS

SECOND FAMILY PRAYERS – Wendy Jewell, Jimma Askins (Lauren Olson's mother), Bob Hoffman, Maria Rousseau, Caitlin Binda Bomar, Brother King, Bradley Zimbauer, Jim Kimmett, Pat Mellen, Bob Cumming, Teri Comtois, Liz Lipscomb, Frank Barkley, Craig Baumer, Susanne McLaughlin, Annie Ravenel, Mary Wimberly, Jennie Harding, Mary Taylor, Debbie Neujahr, Kathy Van Ness-Tindal.

CONDOLENCES ARE EXTENDED to Marion Mitchell whose sister, Edith Mitchell Brawley, died in Due West, SC last Sunday. Ms. Brawley was a member in her childhood at Second Presbyterian and was the archivist at Erskine College and Seminary for many years. The funeral was held Friday in Due West. Please keep Mitchell, Sarah, and family in your thoughts and prayers.

"SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY" CHILI COOK-OFF will be held after church today in the Fellowship Hall. The youth will be helping to serve and collect donations at the cook-off hosted by the deacons. Attendees will sample and vote for their favorite recipe. All proceeds go toward our 4th Sunday BBQs serving the unhoused alongside the Navigation Center.

SESSION MEETING is happening on **Tuesday, February 13th at 6 p.m.** in the Education Building Conference Room.

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES – **Lent begins this Wednesday, Feb. 14th.** We will have a short morning service with Imposition of Ashes at 8:30 a.m. and an evening service with music, including Renewal of Baptismal Vows, at 7:00 p.m. Both services in the sanctuary.

STAR GOSPEL MISSION – Second Presbyterian is serving breakfast at Star Gospel Mission before church next Sunday, **Feb. 18th.** If you can provide food or would like to volunteer with these 3rd Sunday breakfasts, please contact Sally McDuffie, 828-275-6636, sfmcduffie@bellsouth.net.

CHURCH OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS – Please prayerfully recommend members for the Nominating Committee to consider for the upcoming slate of Church Officers. Forms are available on the back table in the sanctuary and the education building. Recommendations are due Sunday, **Feb. 25th.**

WALK FOR WATER – Save the date for Water Mission's Walk for Water on **March 13th!**

SUNDAY AND MIDWEEK GROUPS are a great way to get involved, grow spiritually, and build relationships. Find more info about small groups at 2ndpc.org/small-groups.

- **YOUNG PROFESSIONALS SMALL GROUP** – Discussing ch. 2 of Bonhoeffer's *Life Together* tomorrow, **Feb. 12th** at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Nicole Schuerman (1714 N. Woodmere Dr., Apt. 15). Friends and newcomers welcome.
- **SECOND EDITION BOOK CLUB** – February's book selection is *Cloud Cuckoo Land* by Anthony Doerr. Book club is today, **Feb. 11th,** hosted by Ann and Stacy Hull in West Ashley.
- **LGBTQ+ COMMUNITY GROUP** – This group meets monthly (this Tuesday, **Feb. 13th** at Joshua Hall's home, 4406 Holmes Ave. in Park Circle) to discuss LGBTQ+ issues in an affirming Christian context.
- **WOMEN'S CIRCLE** Bible study meets for lesson 6 of the *Sacred Encounters* study on Monday, **Feb. 19th.**

NO YOUTH GROUP MEETING TODAY, Sunday, Feb. 11th.

FREE TAX ASSISTANCE / PREPARATION by IRS certified Enrolled Agent available on Wednesdays by appointment. If you have any questions or want an appointment please call Sally McDuffie at 828-275-6636

VBS – Save the dates, **June 24-27th,** for Vacation Bible School! We need leaders and organizers to make this important community mission possible! Please contact Ken, ce@2ndpc.org to volunteer your time and talents.

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Videography, Ken Carrington

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HAPPY
BIRTHDAY

FEBRUARY

Eliot Walker 1st
Audrey Bird 6th
Halley Manett 10th
Kathy Tindal 14th
Chuck Medbery 14th
Gus McKnight 16th
Sarah Jeter 17th
Caleigh Mosny 19th
Ella McElwaine 20th
Ford Faw 20th
Elise Nuckols 21st
Sarah Mitchell 22nd
Charles Girard 23rd
Laura McElwaine 23rd
John Comer 23rd
Debra Gammons 24th
Betty Willoughby 24th
Eleanor Burgis 25th
Lynlee Jaffe 27th