



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 Christ"

February 20, 2022

10:30 a.m.

Prelude

"Un Sospiro" (A Sigh)
Abigail Kent, harp

Franz Liszt

***Processional Hymn**

**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: Creator God, This is the day that You have made!

People: **This is the day you have called Holy: Sabbath day, a rest day, a time-out, out of the world and into the presence of God: a day for rejoicing.**

Leader: Make us glad this morning in the House of the Lord.

People: **Remove from us our distractions, our heart-worries, our to-dos and should-haves and all the constant stress & strain.**

Leader: In its place, O God, give us more of You.

People: **Here in your House, our hearts are filled with peace, our mouths with laughter, our tongues with shouts of joy.**

Leader: Fill us to brimming and overflowing with the joy of the Lord: A good measure of God, pressed down, shaken together and running over.

People: **We are glad, yes, we are glad indeed, to be together in the House of the Lord!**

~ posted on *Literature & Liturgy*, <http://jesusscribbles.wordpress.com/2012/04/30/an-opening-prayer/>

***Hymn**

O My Soul, Bless Your Redeemer

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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.

CONFESSION OF SIN & ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

God, we are so conditioned to respond in kind. We are so worried that when the reckoning comes, we will find ourselves left with the short end of the stick, and not without reason. The powerful take and take and lie and lie and oppress and oppress, seemingly without consequence.

Teach us to love with skill. Teach us to love with precision. Teach us to love with abandon, trusting that when we step into the ocean of your abundant love we will receive the blessings of your abundant life.

~ written by Todd Yonkman and posted on his website, [Todd Grant Yonkman](https://todd-grant-yonkman.net/2019/02/11/worship-resources-for-epiphany-7c-february-24-2019/).
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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.

*Apostles' Creed

(Unison)

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.

* "hell" refers to the Hebrew word "Sheol," a place of the dead, rather than the Hell of the final judgment.

** "catholic" is Latin for "universal," implying the Christian unity that exists beyond all denominations.

Time for Children

Ken Carrington

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

Children 6th grade and under are invited to Children's Chapel for a time of fun and faith formation.

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?

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.

Offertory Anthem

"Cantique de Jean Racine"
Rachel Gangwer, viola; Abigail Kent, harp

Gabriel Fauré

*O Thou mighty One, the hope of our salvation, Eternal God, Lord of earth and sky,
We come and kneel before Thee, O Savior come and give us now Thy blessing.
Send down to us the fire of Thy power overwhelming, Thy wondrous might dispels the foes of hell.
O give our sleeping souls the radiance of Thy spirit. That they may waken and tell of Thy power.
O Christ come now and bless us we implore Thee, Thy people penitent before Thee,
and hear the praise we give now, the praise to Thy great glory.
Accept these gifts we return unto Thee, O mighty One, Eternal God.*

*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

Lord God Almighty, you have blessed us through your creation, redemption, and sanctification. We thank you for your work in the world and in your Church despite our disobedience. We thank you for your incarnation, your saving death, and the gift of grace given to you. We gratefully anticipate your kingdom and we offer ourselves in obedient service to you. May these tithes and offerings given in gratitude and obedience be pleasing and acceptable to you. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer of the People

Scripture Reading

Luke 6:27-38

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Sermon

"Love For All, Including Our Enemies"

Rev. Margaret Fleming

*Closing Hymn

Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

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*Benediction and Choral Response

Amen

Danish

Postlude

"Praise Ye the Lord"

Paul Manz

*- please stand, as you are able

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Large print hymnals are available on the back table.

INFORMATION/ANNOUNCEMENTS

SECOND FAMILY PRAYERS – Craig Baumer, Susanne McLaughlin, Patti McGee, Annie Ravenel, Susan Ragsdale King, George Crow, Ervine Hiers, Jim Jackson, Mary Wimberly, Jennie Harding, Mary Taylor, Catherine Castellano, Allston Kitchens, and Maria Howe.

WORSHIP SAFETY GUIDELINES – All adults and children over age 3 need to wear a face mask in church. **Please wear a well-fitting mask in public spaces even if you are fully vaccinated.**

GUEST PREACHER – Rev. Margaret Fleming is from Mount Pleasant, SC. She attended Columbia Theological Seminary and graduated in May 2020 and was ordained in Second's sanctuary on April 18, 2021. She is a staff chaplain at Roper/St. Francis Hospital, West Ashley. She and her husband Will have been worshipping at Second since 2017.

WE WELCOME to today's service missionaries Steven and Sonia Dettweiler, parents of Joel Dettweiler. who have recently returned from Nigeria. After the service during the fellowship time they will be available to answer questions about their mission work there.

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES: Please join us as we begin Lent **on Wednesday, March 2nd. Two services: 8:30 a.m.** for Imposition of Ashes; or **7:00 p.m.** for Renewal of Baptismal Vows with hymns and choir. The 7:00 service (only) will also be livestreamed.

CHURCH OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS – Please prayerfully recommend members for the Nominating Committee to consider for the upcoming slate of Church Officers. Forms are available in the sanctuary, the church office, or online at 2ndpc.org/members. Please submit recommendations **by Sunday, March 6th**.

SUNDAY AND MIDWEEK GROUPS – These groups are a great way to get involved, grow spiritually, and build relationships. All are welcome. 2ndpc.org/small-groups

- **SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH & ADULTS** at 9:30 a.m.
- **THURSDAY SMALL GROUP** is meeting at the church at 6:30 p.m. to discuss *Wholehearted Faith* (ch. 2 this week). Contact: jordyn.pritchard@2ndpc.org
- **MEN'S GROUP** meets Friday mornings at 6:00 a.m. No meeting this week, but they will discuss the prologue of *Wholehearted Faith* on **Feb. 25th**. Books are available in the education building. Contact: aledpritchard@gmail.com
- **INTERGENERATIONAL WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** meets monthly to discuss the Women in Matthew's Genealogy of Jesus. Next meeting to discuss Ruth tomorrow **Feb. 21st** at 6:30 p.m. at Robbie Staubes' house: 306 Pilots Point in Mount Pleasant.

WALK FOR WATER – Join us for the 2022 Walk for Water on Saturday, **March 26th** at 9 a.m. at Riverfront Park in N. Charleston. Together, we will raise funds and awareness to fight the global water crisis by building safe water solutions for people in need around the world. **Register or donate to support our "Second to None" team at 2ndpc.org/events.**

MUSICAL HIGHLIGHTS COMING UP:

In the Sunday morning service:

Today's Music: Please welcome our guest musicians: Abigail Kent, harp and Rachel Gangwer, viola. Both are musicians with the CSO, and Rachel is also the orchestra's librarian. See below for Abigail's upcoming concert here. The original text of today's anthem, "Cantique de Jean Racine", was by the famous French dramatist Jean Racine (1639-1699), and is a paraphrase of a 4th c. Latin hymn by St. Ambrose. Gabriel Fauré (1845-1924) composed this piece in 1866, when he was just 20, as an entry in a competition just before graduation from the Ecole Niedermeyer. (Yes, he won the competition).

March 6: Anna Brock, gospel pianist returns with guest gospel singer.

March 20: Clay Brock, violinist

Concerts in our sanctuary:

Sunday, March 6, 2:00 p.m. Abigail Kent, harp. Free, donations accepted.

Sunday, March 13, 7:00 p.m. Stillman College Concert Choir. Free, donations accepted.

Sunday, March 27, 4:00 p.m. Taylor Festival Choir. Charleston's professional choir, which includes our own Lee Lingle and Kiri Taylor, performs "Reaching for the Light", a program of four transcendent choral works that represent the resilient striving of the human spirit. This program was postponed from January. More info: www.taylormusicgroup.org

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

February

Eliot Walker 1st
James Albright 3rd
Audrey Bird 6th
Montana Most 9th
Halley Manett 10th
Robert McLeod 14th
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
Debra Gammons 24th
Betty Willoughby 24th
Lynlee Jaffe 27th
Will Irick 27th



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