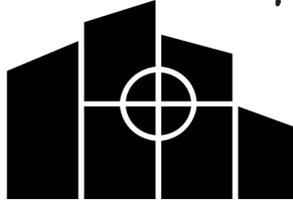


Welcome to



SECONDPRES

Our Choice of Words

Rev. Christopher Schilling

Sunday, September 15, 2024

9:00 AM

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PRELUDE

Prélude from Trois Improvisations Nadia Boulanger

Dr. Dennis Gotkowski

WELCOME & LIFE TOGETHER

Jamie Kaiser

CHORAL INTROIT

A Joyful Call To Praise Lloyd Larson

Chapel Choir

***CALL to WORSHIP**

Elder Rich Schroeder

We come to worship God –
with our mouths, our voices, our hearts.
We come to honor God –
by honoring the power of our words.
We come to receive grace
and to let grace sing out through our lives.
God guides and empowers us.
God saves and sustains us. Amen.

***CALL to CONFESSION**

***PRAYER of CONFESSION**

God of tender mercies, we admit that sometimes we don't know what to do with ourselves. We anger at the slightest insult and imagine great vengeance upon those who wronged us. We laze about in the good news of our faith and do not consider the deep commitment of faith. We care for ourselves but not for others. Forgive us, we pray. Forgive us, help us to repent, and make us whole. Amen.

***ASSURANCE of PARDON**

Friends in Christ, know this: the mercy of God is from everlasting to everlasting, and I remind you of this surpassing grace – in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.
Alleluia!
Amen.

***GLORIA PATRI**

Congregational Singing

***PASSING of the PEACE**

Jamie Kaiser

***SONG of the DAY**

O God of Earth and Space No. 274

Congregational Singing

FOUNDATIONS

Jamie Kaiser

————— *Children invited to attend Sunday School* —————

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 50:4-9a p. 681

Deacon Bryce Jones

WORD IN SONG

Festival Sanctus John Leavitt

Chapel Choir

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

James 3:1-12 p. 230

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MESSAGE

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***HYMN**

Take My Life No. 391

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OFFERING

Offertory Offertory Florence B. Price

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*Doxology

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

PRAYERS of the PEOPLE

Ending with the Lord's Prayer

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***HYMN**

Guide My Feet No. 354, vv.1-4

Congregational Singing

BENEDICTION

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POSTLUDE

Nachspiel fürs volle Werk Christian Friedrich Schale

Dr. Dennis Gotkowski

**Please stand*

UPCOMING at SECONDPRES

WELCOME OUR GUEST

REV. CHRISTOPHER SCHILLING

Rev. Christopher Schilling is an ordained minister in the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). He also serves as an associate pastor at First Presbyterian Church of Normal and as the Coordinator for Faith Community Relations Carle BroMenn Medical Center in Normal. Rev. Schilling is also a chaplain in the United States Air Force Reserves. He is a graduate of San Francisco Theological Seminary and is a board-certified chaplain with the Association of Professional Chaplains. He is married to Rev. Karol Farris Schilling, a PC(USA) minister and is also an associate pastor at First Presbyterian Church of Normal. Together they are the parents of 2-year-old twin boys. Please join us in welcoming him to Second Pres this morning!

DONATIONS NEEDED FOR TRICK OR TREAT

Donations of candy, Play-Dough, glow sticks, small games or similar small items for children are needed by Monday, October 21 to be passed out during the downtown Bloomington Trick or Treat. Donations and questions may be directed at Jamie Kaiser!

MEMORIAL FLOWERS FOR SARA CUMMINS

Flowers today are donated in memory of Sara Cummins by her family.

ARTIFACTS FOR WORLD COMMUNION DAY

Sunday, October 6 is World Communion Day. We are asking anyone that may have an artifact from around the world if they would be willing to donate it for service that day. You will be able to pick it up afterwards. Please contact Ruth Gabor if you are interested.

FALL KICKOFF THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who made this year's fall kickoff event a success! Whether you helped decorate, arrange food, plan, run tours, share ideas, or simply just attended, we couldn't have done it without you!

NEW ACE CLASS BEGINNING SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

The new ACE series begins this Sunday, after service! This class will focus on *Making Sense of the Bible* by Adam Hamilton. Books can be found with Kim Pare at the front desk. Class begins at 10:15!

LITTLE CHILDREN OF THE PHILIPPINES PRESENTATION

Carmenia Benosa, the Director of Little Children of the Philippines, will be joining us at our worship service on September 22nd. She will share her mission and the message of hope it brings to over 900 poverty stricken children and their families in Dumagete City, Philippines. We hope you will join us for service that day to hear about her mission!

EVERY SUNDAY

- 8:45 am: Sunday Morning Brunch
- 9:00 am: Worship Service
- 10:15 am: ACE (Adult Christian Education)
- 10:15 am: High School Brunch
- 3:00 pm: Lego League Robotics (*Grades 4-8*)

EVERY TUESDAY

- 7:00 pm: Scouts Troops 903 and 9903
- 6:00-8:00 pm: First Tech Challenge (FTC) Robotics (*Grades 7-12*)

HELPFUL REMINDER

Before the service begins, please check in using your pew pad (located in each pew) or via the Second Pres church app. To download the app, search "Second Pres" in your phone's app store.

Alternatively, you may click on the person icon at the bottom of our website homepage.

If you missed a service and would like to view the bulletin or announcements from this year, visit secondpres.com/weekly2024

EVERY WEDNESDAY

- 6:00-7:30 pm: K-5th KidsMin (90 min.)
- 6:00-7:30 pm: 6-8th YOUthMin (90 min.)
Resumes August
- 6:30-8:00 pm: Chapel Choir Rehearsal
Resumes September

EVERY THURSDAY

- 11:30 am: Thursday Prayer Lunch

BIBLE STUDIES

EVERY TUESDAY

- 8:30 am: Morning Men's Bible Study (Wylie)

EVERY OTHER TUESDAY

- 11:30 am: Bible Study (Jones)

EVERY WEDNESDAY

- 6:00-7:45 p.m. The Gathering Bible Study (Jennings)

On break, resume date TBD

For more information on Bible studies

visit: secondpres.com/biblestudy