

PRELUDE

In Thee Is Gladness J.S. Bach

WELCOME & LIFE TOGETHER

CHORAL INTROIT

Come, All Ye Servants of the Lord English Folk Melody
arr. Hutchings

***CALL to WORSHIP**

Give thanks to the Lord!

We will sing God’s praises!

Seek the Lord and God’s strength.

We continually seek God’s presence in our lives.

Remember all the wonderful things that God has done.

Praise the Lord! Amen.

CALL to CONFESSION

PRAYER of CONFESSION

Lord, perhaps your voice from a burning bush is what we need to shake us from our complacency. We have a hard time understanding your call because we feel so inadequate. Now, Lord, we need to step into service to you.

Forgive our slowness of action and heart. Give us courage and strength to do your will and help others in need. We pray in Jesus’ name. Amen.

ASSURANCE of PARDON

In the power of the burning bush,
in the quiet stillness of each day,
**God is calling to each one of us,
telling us to trust in the gifts of God.
Thanks be to God, we are forgiven!
Amen!**

GLORIA PATRI

Congregational Singing

PASSING of the PEACE

Rev. Nicole Wegele

***SONG of the DAY**

Seek Ye First, No. 333

Congregational Singing

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Exodus 3:1–6

Jamie Bishop

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

WORD in SONG

Lay Up Your Treasures in Heaven *Pepper Choplin*

Chapel Choir

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Exodus 3:7–15

Rev. Nicole Wegele

MESSAGE

An Invitation to Adventure

Rev. Nicole Wegele

***HYMN**

Spirit of the Living God, No. 322 (two times through)

Congregational Singing

OFFERING

Offertory God We Praise You *Kevin Sadowski*
Doxology
Prayer of Thanksgiving

Faye Bartely

PRAYERS of the PEOPLE

Rev. Trey Haddon

***HYMN**

Be Thou My Vision, No. 339

Congregational Singing

***BENEDICTION**

Rev. Nicole Wegele

POSTLUDE

All Glory Be To God On High *Timothy Albrecht*

Faye Bartley

Faye Bartley

Rev. Nicole Wegele

Chapel Choir

Rev. Nicole Wegele

Exodus 3:1–6

¹Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. ²There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. ³Then Moses said, “I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up.” ⁴When the Lord saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, “Moses, Moses!” And he said, “Here I am.” ⁵Then he said, “Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground.” ⁶He said further, “I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.” And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Exodus 3:7–15

⁷Then the Lord said, “I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, ⁸and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. ⁹The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. ¹⁰So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt.” ¹¹But Moses said to God, “Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?” ¹²He said, “I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain.” ¹³But Moses said to God, “If I come to the Israelites and say to them, ‘The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,’ and they ask me, ‘What is his name?’ what shall I say to them?” ¹⁴God said to Moses, “I AM WHO I AM.” He said further, “Thus you shall say to the Israelites, ‘I AM has sent me to you.’” ¹⁵God also said to Moses, “Thus you shall say to the Israelites, ‘The Lord, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you’: This is my name forever, and this my title for all generations.

Flowers in memory of
Sara Cummins
given by her family

Welcome to Second Pres!

Whether you’ve called this church home for decades or this is your first time worshipping with us, we are so glad that you are here. If you are visiting this morning and looking for a place to belong—to grow in community and faith—we trust that you can find that here. We hope you’ll come worship with us again.

Please take a look at the back of this bulletin to see some of our weekly events. From programming to volunteer opportunities, there is something for everyone at Second Pres. If you would like to hear more about our community or speak to one of our ministry staff members, please call Rev. Trey Haddon, Senior Pastor at 309-828-6297.

In Christ,



ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION Christianity and World Religions

The next Adult Christian Education (ACE) class will be, Christianity and World Religions. The classes will be held from 10:15 to 11:00 following the 9:00 AM worship service, September 24 to October 29. The class compares the beliefs of four major religions – Hinduism, Buddhism, Islam, and Judaism – with those of Christianity.

The class will include an approximately 15-minute video from pastor and best-selling author, Rev. Adam Hamilton as well as a discussion led by the members of the ACE committee. Each class is a stand-alone class that you can easily join, even if you are unable to attend all classes in the series.

Books may be purchased from Kim Pare for \$15.00 and may be picked up at her desk during the week or at Connection Point on Sundays.

- September 24** Christianity and World Religions, The Wise Men
- October 1** Christianity and World Religions: Hinduism
- October 8** Christianity and World Religions: Buddhism
- October 15** Christianity and World Religions: Judaism
- October 22** Christianity and World Religions: Islam
- October 29** Christianity and World Religions: Christianity

Visit: secondpres.com/adult-christian-education for more information.

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.

COMING UP at SECONDPRES

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN FALL GATHERING introducing our fall Bible Study:

Celebrating Sabbath: Accepting God's Gift of Rest and Delight
Tuesday, September 12 at 6:00 PM
Open to all Second Presbyterian women
The cost is \$10 per person. RSVP with Kim at 309-828-6297

MISSION HIGHLIGHT:

Little Children of the Philippines Sunday, September 17 at 9:00 AM

Meet the new President/CEO of LCW, Susan Crawford as she visits and gives us information on the latest from LCP.

FALL FAMILY RETREAT

What: Our Family Fall Retreat is a time to spend resting and recentering. What better place to accomplish all of that than being in nature! Timber Pointe Outdoor Center activities during the retreat will include: ziplining, waterfront activities, and barnyard walks through the hiking trails.

When: September 22, Arrival 5-6pm Departure September 24 around 12 noon

Where: Timber Pointe Outdoor Center, 20
Timber Point Lane Hudson, IL 61748

Fee: \$50 per person over the age of 8.
\$40 per child under 8.

To register, scan the QR code with your phone, or visit secondpres.com/familyretreat.



NEW MEMBER CLASS

Sunday, October 1 at 10:30 AM
Fellowship Hall F100A

MISSION HIGHLIGHT: SEMINARY OF CAIRO Sunday, November 5 at 9:00 AM

THEOLOGY ON TAP

Returns in September
Date and location TBA

COFFEE OR TEA, AND THEOLOGY Thursday, September 21 at 10AM

Denny's Doughnuts
107 S Main St, Bloomington, IL

EVERY SUNDAY

8:30 am: Sunday Morning Brunch

9:00 am: Worship Service

10:15 am: ACE (Adult Christian Education)
Returns September 24 in F100A

10:15 am: High School Brunch
Begins today

3:00 pm: FTC Robotics
Lego League Robotics

EVERY TUESDAY

7:00 pm: Scouts Troops 903 and 9903

EVERY WEDNESDAY

6:00-7:30 pm: K-5th Kid's Min (90 minutes)
6:00-7:30 pm: 6-8th YOUth Min (90 minutes)
6:30-8:00 pm: Chapel Choir Rehearsal

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)

For more information on Bible studies, please
visit: secondpres.com/biblestudy

404 N Prairie St • Bloomington, IL 61701 • 309-828-6297 • info@secondpres.com

fb.com/secondpres @secondpresblono youtube.com/secondpres

Welcome to SECONDPRES



AN INVITATION TO
ADVENTURE

Rev. Nicole Wegele
Sunday, September 10, 2023
9:00 AM Service