

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP • 10 AM

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NOVEMBER 17 • COMMITMENT SUNDAY

THE ONLY REASON TO GIVE

LUKE 17:11-19



A welcoming community of faith where Jesus Christ transforms lives

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Rev. Christopher A. Henry
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WELCOME FAMILIES WITH YOUNG CHILDREN

Following today's *Word with Children*, children ages 4 through grade 8 may remain with their families or depart for Children's Choir. If departing, please assure your child is wearing a green nametag. Children's Choir pickup will be on the first floor in room 112 and the choir room. 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.

November 17, 2024
TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
COMMITMENT SUNDAY

We Come Together as God's People

Prelude *Praeludium in E Major, BuxWV 141* Dieterich Buxtehude
Dr. John Allegar, organ (1637-1707)

Welcome Rev. Christopher A. Henry

Choral Call to Worship *O Praise God in his Holiness (Psalm 100)* Charles Villiers Stanford
Sanctuary Choir; Dr. Michelle Louer, conductor (1862-1924)

O praise God in his holiness, Praise him in the firmament of his power. Praise him in his noble acts, Praise him according to his excellent greatness.	Praise him upon the well-tuned cymbals, Praise him upon the loud cymbals. Let everything that hath breath Praise the Lord.
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Praise him in the sound of the trumpet, Praise him upon the lute and harp. Praise him in the cymbals and dances, Praise him upon the strings and pipe.	Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, And to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, World without end. Amen.
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*** Call to Worship** Rev. Michael M. Samson

One: God of surprising grace, we come to you with gratitude in our hearts.

**All: It is easy to be grateful, for you have given us love and life, beauty and meaning.
You have claimed us as your own.**

One: On this day and every day, we will give thanks to you, our God.

All: Gather us in, O God, as we worship you.

*** Prayer of Adoration**

*** Processional Hymn #483** *Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above* MIT FREUDEN ZART

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God,
Forgive our bleak imagination
and our dreams that refuse inspiration.
We imagine that things are as they must be,
so we dream of little more than refining what is.
Forgive our poor memory
and our fragile trust.
We remember no help in ages past,
so we summon no hope for years to come.
Forgive our cynical hearts
and our tired fear.
We have grown accustomed to the brokenness around us,
so we are suspicious of joy when it appears.
Come to us, O God,
and revive our spirit with your good news. (Silent Prayer)

Assurance of God's Grace

* Response of Praise

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow. Praise God, all crea-tures here be - low.
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise God a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host.
Cre - a - tor, Christ, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

* Passing the Peace of Christ

1. O Christ, the heal - er, we have come To pray for health, to
 2. From ev - ery ail - ment flesh en - dures Our bod - ies clam - or
 3. How strong, O Lord, are our de - sires, How weak our knowl - edge
 4. In con - flicts that de - story our health We rec - og - nize the
 5. Grant that we all, made one in faith, In Your com - mu - ni -

plead for friends. How can we fail to
 to be freed; Yet in our hearts we
 of our - selves! Re - lease in us those
 world's dis - ease; Our com - mon life de -
 - ty may find The whole - ness that, en -

be re - stored, When reached by love that nev - er ends?
 would con - fess That whole - ness is our deep - est need.
 heal - ing truths Un - con - scious pride re - sists or shelves.
 clares our ills: Is there no cure, O Christ, for these?
 rich - ing us, Shall reach the whole of hu - man - kind.

We Experience God's Word

The Word with Children

Prayer for Illumination

Tyson Vaughn

First Scripture Lesson

Acts 2:16-21

(p. 992)

Anthem

How Sweet the Sound
Sanctuary Choir; Scott Brady, soloist

Kyle Pederson
(b. 2016)

Refrain: Amazing grace, how sweet the sound—saved a soul like me.

I found myself in trouble
I could not sing, oh, I was wallowing
when I found myself in trouble. *Refrain*

I got no one left to blame.
Oh, how could I sing, when I was wallowing?
As I hung my head in shame. *Refrain*

Grace on grace we have all received
when the Son sets you free
you are free indeed.

I don't want to be afraid no more!
I don't want to be ashamed no more!
I don't want to hang my head no more!
Oh, I am free indeed!

Rise and walk,
hang your head no more
when the Son sets you free
you are free indeed. *Refrain*

Oh, I am covered by his grace.
Oh, I am covered, Lord! *Refrain*

Second Scripture Lesson

Luke 17:11-19

(p. 955)

Sermon

Rev. Christopher A. Henry

The Only Reason to Give

*"Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back,
praising God with a loud voice."*

(Luke 17:15)

Moment of Silent Meditation

We Give Thanks to God

Offering of Gifts and Commitments

Rev. Karen L. Lang

Offertory

Nicht zu schnell; Adagio (from *Six Pieces in Canonic Form*, Op. 56, Nos. 1 and 6)

Robert Schumann (1810-1856)

Prayers of Intercession and Dedication

We Go Forth to Serve

* Closing Hymn #276

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS

* Charge and Benediction

* Choral Benediction

Go to the World!

SINE NOMINE

Go the world! Go struggle, bless, and pray;
The nights of tears give way to joyous day.
As servant church, you follow Christ's own way.
Alleluia. Alleluia.

Text: Sylvia G. Dunstan (1955-1993)

Postlude

Fanfare

William Mathias
(1934-1992)

Please remain in your pew after the service for a short congregational meeting.

THE POWER OF PRAYER

How might we pray for you this week? Please visit SecondChurch.org/Prayer to fill out a Prayer Request Form. Together, we lift up our joys with thanksgiving and invite Christ's tender care, guidance, and healing in our lives and in God's world.

If you or a loved one is hospitalized,
please contact:

Ashley McNamara, *Coordinator of Pastoral Care*
AMcNamara@SecondChurch.org

GIVING

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If you have questions about making a pledge,
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Elder Nancy A. Frick, *Director of Stewardship and Endowment*
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Memorial Flower Fund
Poinsettias
ADVENT 2024
OPEN THROUGH SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8



TODAY

Congregational Meeting
Following 10 AM Worship • Sanctuary

New Member Class
11:15 AM • Common Room

NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24 CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY



Rev. Karen L. Lang
Who Do You Listen to?

8:15 AM • Chapel Worship • **Milner Chapel**

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

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The Spirit of Our Politics:
A Conversation on Faith & Public Life
November 18 • 7 PM • McFarland Hall

Men's Monthly Fellowship
November 19 • 6-8 PM • The Roost in Nora

South Africa Book Club
November 19 • 7 PM • Zoom

Youth Friendsgiving
November 20 • 6:30 PM • Youth Suite & Community Room

CFM Advent Party
November 22 • 5:30-7:30 PM • McFarland Hall

Young Adults Friendsgiving
November 22 • 6 PM • Room 356

Advent Church Decorating and Lunch
November 24 • Following 10 AM Worship • Parlor

CNN Gift Tag Selection & Volunteer Registration
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