SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP . 10 AM

# A STORY-SHAPED GOD: READING GENESIS

# JANUARY 12 Restraint: Cain & Abel

GENESIS 4:1-16



A welcoming community of faith where Jesus Christ transforms lives

# **WORSHIP LEADERS**

Rev. Christopher A. Henry Senior Pastor

Rev. Sara B. Dorrien-Christians Associate Pastor for Children and Family Ministries

> Rev. Michael M. Samson Associate Pastor for Engagement

> > Quinn Sundheimer Liturgist

Sanctuary Choir

Dr. Michelle Louer Director of Music and Fine Arts

Dr. John Allegar Organist and Assistant Director of Music and Fine Arts

# PROCESSION

Acolytes Madeline Swift Mallorie Swift

Element Bearer David Moore

Ewer Bearer Karl Snider

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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 will return to the sanctuary for communion and children will return to the pew with their parents. 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.

# January 12, 2025 BAPTISM OF THE LORD

# We Come Together as God's People

#### Prelude

Welcome

*Praeludium in E Major* Dr. John Allegar, organ Vincent Lübeck (1654-1740)

Rev. Christopher A. Henry

**Choral Call to Worship** 

At the River

Robert Lowry (1826-1889)

Sanctuary Choir; Dr. Michelle Louer, conductor

adapted Aaron Copland (1900-1990) arr. R. Wilding-White (1992-2001)

Shall we gather by the river where bright angel's feet have trod, With its crystal tide forever flowing by the throne of God?

Yes, we'll gather by the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river. Gather with the saints by the river that flows by the throne of God.

Soon we'll reach the shining river, Soon our pilgrimage will cease. Soon our happy hearts will quiver at the melody of peace.

Yes, we'll gather...

# \* Call to Worship

Rev. Sara B. Dorrien-Christians

- One: In Christ, the God of heaven has made his home on earth.
- All: Christ dwells among us and is one with us.
- One: Highest of all creation, he lives among the least.
- All: He journeys with the rejected and welcomes the weary.
- One: Come now, all who thirst, and drink of the water of life.
- All: Come now, all who hunger, and be filled with good things.
- One: Come now, all who seek,
- All: And encounter the abundant love of the almighty God.
- One: God calls us to worship—let us gather in God's presence.

# \* Prayer of Adoration

\* Processional Hymn #391

Take My Life Verses 1 and 2 — All Verse 3 — Choir Verse 4 — High Voices Verse 5 — Low Voices Verse 6 — All

## **Invitation to Confession**

#### **Prayer of Confession**

One: Your light has filled our lives, but we have not shared it with others.

#### All: Lord, have mercy on us.

One: You have marked us as your own, but we have not lived as your faithful people.

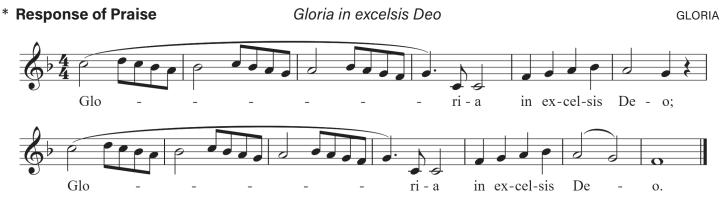
#### All: Christ, have mercy on us.

One: You have called us to be a light to the world, but we have hidden our light under a bushel.

#### All: Lord, have mercy on us.

One: Transform us by the power of your Holy Spirit so that we may live as your new creation, forgiven and made whole by your boundless love in Jesus Christ our Lord. (Silent Prayer)

# Assurance of God's Grace



# \* Passing the Peace of Christ

\* Hymn #492

Baptized in Water

#### BUNESSAN

# We Experience God's Word

The Word with Children			
Prayer for Illumination		Quinn Sundheimer	
First Scripture Lesson	Hebrews 11:1-3, 13-16	(p. 1096)	
Anthem	<i>The Baptism of Jesus</i> Sanctuary Choir; Mitzi Westra, soloist	Peter Hallock (1924-2014)	
Jesus autem hodie regressus est a Jordane. [Jesus was on this day baptised in the Jordan.]			
When Jesus Christ baptised was, the Holy Ghost descended with grace; the Father's voice was heard in the place. <i>Hic est filius meus, ipsum intende.</i> [This is my Son, in whom I am pleased.]			
There were Three Persons a the Father said this blessed <i>Hic est filius meus, ipsum in</i>			
Now, Jesus, as Thou art bot at our last end, we pray The <i>Hic est filius meus, ipsum in</i> t	-		
Second Scripture Lesson	Genesis 4:1-16	(p. 3)	
Sermon	Re	ev. Christopher A. Henry	
<b>Restraint: Cain and Abel</b> "Then the Lord said to him, 'Not so! Whoever kills Cain will suffer a sevenfold vengeance.'			

And the Lord put a mark on Cain, so that no one who came upon him would kill him."

(Genesis 4:15)

# **Moment of Silent Meditation**

# We Give Thanks to God

# **Sacrament of Holy Communion**

Invitation to the Lord's Table

# **Great Prayer of Thanksgiving**

One: The Lord be with you.

- All: And also with you.
- One: Lift up your hearts.

# All: We lift them to the Lord.

- One: Let us give thanks to the Lord.
- All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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Rev. Michael M. Samson

#### Sanctus

*Holy, Holy, Holy (from Deutsche Messe)* 

Franz Schubert (1797-1828)



# The Lord's Prayer

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

**Breaking of the Bread** 

**Communion of the People** 

Ushers will extend an invitation to receive communion by pew. Please come forward using the aisle to your right. All bread at all stations is gluten free.

#### **Communion Anthem**

LIEBSTER JESU

Dearest Jesus, we are here, Gladly Your command obeying. With this child we now draw near In response to Your own saying That to You it shall be given As a child and heir of heaven.

Your command is clear and plain, And we would obey it duly: "You must all be born again, Heart and life renewing truly, Born of water and the Spirit, And My kingdom thus inherit." This is why we come to You, In our arms this infant bearing; Lord, to us Your glory show; Let this child, Your mercy sharing, In Your arms be shielded ever, Yours on earth and Yours forever.

Gracious Lord, Your member own; Shepherd, take Your lamb and feed it; Prince of Peace, make here Your throne; Way of life, to heaven lead it; Precious vine, let nothing sever From Your side this branch forever.

Text: Benjamin Schmolck (1672-1737) translated and altered Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878)

#### **Prayer after the Meal**

#### Invitation to Discipleship and Generosity

Offertory	<i>The Baptism of Christ</i> Emma Nossem, contralto	Rachel Aarons (b. 1984)
and the Holy Spirit descent And a voice came down fro	een baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened ded in bodily form, like a dove.	
Text: Luke 3: 21-22		
* Doxology		OLD HUNDREDTH
Praise God, from whom a Praise God, all creatures Praise God above, ye hea Creator, Christ, and Holy	here below; venly host;	
* Prayer of Dedication		
	We Go Forth to Serve	
* Closing Hymn #514	Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ	LINSTEAD
* Charge and Benediction		
* Choral Benediction	Amen	Danish
Postlude	Sortie	Jan Janca (1933-2023)

#### THE POWER OF PRAYER

We remember in prayer these members who have died, and their loved ones. The white rose in front of the lectern is in memory of:

Carrie Logsdon

The Chancel flowers this morning are given to the glory of God in loving memory of George Rapp from Anne Pantzer.

Would you like one of our pastors to pray with you today? We invite you to come to Milner Chapel immediately following the 10 AM worship service for a short time of communion and prayer. You may also visit **SecondChurch.org/Prayer** to fill out a Prayer Request Form.

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

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



We are grateful to you, the congregation, for helping us reach 98.5% of our Commitment Campaign goal. We only have \$90,000 to go! Thank you! Everyone's help is needed to reach 100% of our \$3.9M goal. **Imagine what we can do together for God and our community with a fully-funded budget!** 

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If you have questions about making a pledge, please contact:

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#### **VISITING TODAY?**

Thank you for worshiping with Second! Our Hospitality Team would love to connect and welcome you more fully into the life of Second. Scan this QR code and let us know you were here!



#### TODAY

Young Adults Brunch Meet in Narthex following 10 AM Worship

South Africa Seminar 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM • Common Room

**NEXT SUNDAY, JANUARY 19** 

A STORY-SHAPED GOD: READING GENESIS Rev. Christopher A. Henry • Compassion: The Great Flood



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 SecondChurch.org/Events



Second Act January Gathering January 13 • 3:30 PM • McFarland Hall

Second Act: Chocolate Factory Outing January 15 • 10 AM • Offsite

Hold Me Tight Relationship Workshop January 18 • 9 AM – 3 PM • McFarland Hall

**Deacon-Sponsored Blood Drive** January 19 • 8 AM - 12 PM • Multipurpose Room

New Member Class January 19 • 11:15 AM • Common Room

January 20 • MLK Day • Building Closed

Second Act Speaker Series Luncheon January 22 • 11:30 AM – 1 PM • McFarland Hall

Men@Second Living Intentionally 2025 Retreat January 24 – 25 • Youth Suite

Second Treasures Winter Collection Day January 26 • 11 AM – 1 PM • Drive-through Drop-Off