

JULY 6 GOD'S PUZZLING KINGDOM

ROMANS 8:18-30



A welcoming community of faith where Jesus Christ transforms lives

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Elder Nancy A. Frick Director of Stewardship and Endowment

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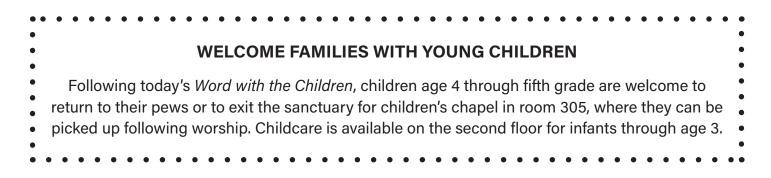
Rev. Danny L. Carpenter Lake Fellow in Parish Ministry

> Susan Shambaugh Liturgist

Daniel Golando Trumpet

Dawn Waddell Guest Organist and Chapel Service Organist

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July 6, 2025 FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

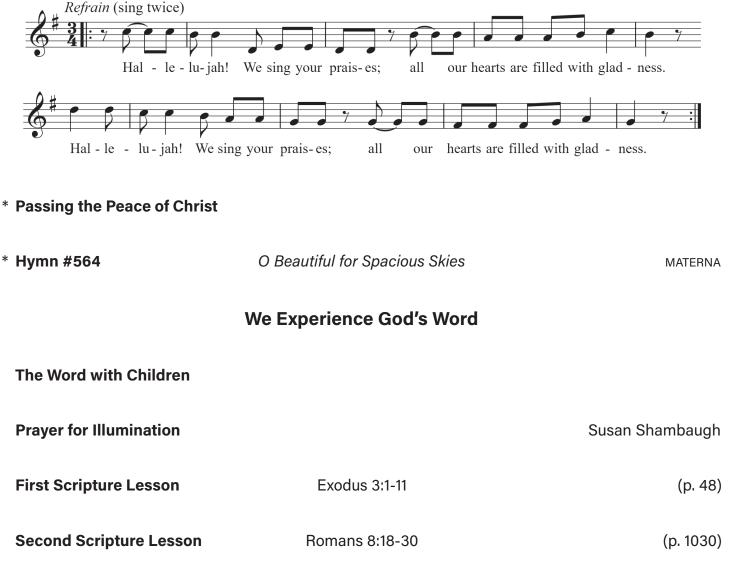
We Come Together as God's People

Prelude		<i>Variations Op. 55, No. 117</i> Dawn Waddell, organ	Johann Christian Heinrich Rinck (1770-1846)
Welcome			Elder Nancy A. Frick
* Call to Worship Rev. Gracie H. Pa			Rev. Gracie H. Payne
One:	We come to you, O God, to thank you for what is good.		
All:	We come to you, O God, to cry out for what is wrong.		
One:	We come to you, O God, to ask for help and restoration.		
All:	We come to you, O God, with aching hearts and glad souls.		
One:	Let us worship God.		
* Prayer of Adoration			
* Opening Hy	rmn #262	God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Har	nd NATIONAL HYMN
Invitation to Confession			
Prayer of Confession			
God of mystery, God of life, We imagine that we are capable judges of power, and wisdom, and goodness. We trust our own standards; we separate and categorize; we mark the performance of others and compare it to our own. We fail to trust your plans for us and for creation, hidden in all things. We fail to watch for you, working out your purposes. Gracious God, hidden and manifest, transform our worries and fears to trust in a Love we cannot control. (Silent Prayer)			

Assurance of God's Grace

* Response of Praise

Hallelujah, We Sing Your Praises



Sermon

Elder Nancy A. Frick

God's Puzzling Kingdom

"We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose." (Romans 8:28)

Moment of Silent Meditation

We Give Thanks to God

* Affirmation of Faith

Rev. Danny L. Carpenter

From A Brief Statement of Faith

We trust in God the Holy Spirit everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of people long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and iovful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

Prayers of the People and 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.

Invitation to Discipleship and Generosity

JULY 6, 2025

We Go Forth to Serve

* Closing Hymn #563

* Prayer of Dedication

Lift Every Voice and Sing

J. Rosamond James Weldon Johnson

* Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Intrada

Hans-André Stamm

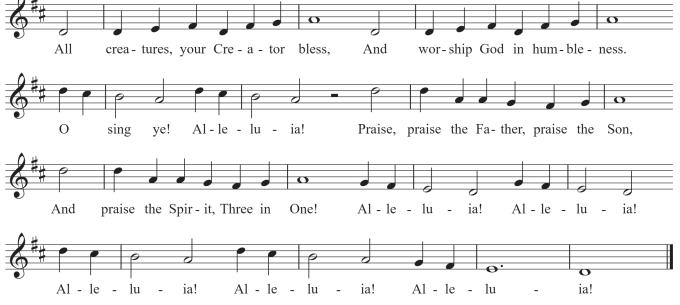
* Doxology

Romanze (from Suite No. 1) Daniel Golando, trumpet

Hans-André Stamm (b. 1958)

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Notes

THE POWER OF PRAYER

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

> Betty Kremer Ruth Lawrence

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

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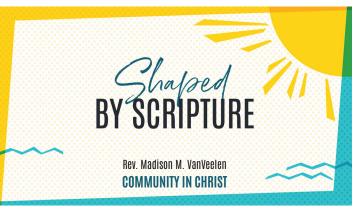
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NEXT SUNDAY, JULY 13



8:15 AM • Chapel Worship • Milner Chapel

9 AM • Adult Class Summer Sunday School for Adults • Common Room Men at Second Pregame • Room 402

10 AM - Sanctuary Worship

11:15 AM - Service of Wholeness and Communion - Milner Chapel

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UPCOMING EVENTS SecondChurch.org/Events



Second Treasures Stock the Racks July 8 • 10 AM – 12 PM • Room 112

Back-to-School Supply Sorting July 14 • 10 AM • Washington Township Service Center

Men's Pop Up Social July 16 • 5:30 PM • 101 Craft Kitchen in Carmel

Congregational Meeting

July 20 • Following 10 AM worship • Sanctuary The Session has called a congregational meeting on July 20 for the purpose of acting on Rev. Sara Dorrien-Christians' request to dissolve her pastoral relationship with Second Presbyterian Church in order to accept a new call.

Reception Celebrating Rev. Sara Dorrien-Christians July 20 • Following 10 AM worship and congregational meeting • McFarland Hall

> Men at Second Sunday Cycling July 20 • 4 PM • Offsite

Washington Township Schools Back to School Bash July 26 • 9 – 11:30 AM • Jordan YMCA

Second Act Beef & Boards Musical Theatre Lunch Outing July 30 • 11 AM – 1:30 PM • Beef & Boards