

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP • 10 AM

GUIDING LIGHTS

RECLAIMING EVERYDAY VIRTUES

SEPTEMBER 14

CHILL OUT – TEMPERANCE

1 Corinthians 9:19, 22-27



A welcoming community of faith where Jesus Christ transforms lives

WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Christopher A. Henry
Senior Pastor

Rev. Audrey F. Thorne
Lake Fellow in Parish Ministry

Rev. Michael M. Samson
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Liz McCarter
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

Element Bearers
The Rapp Family

Ewer Bearer
Anna Ratliff

Acolytes
Mallorie Swift
Ellie Stewart

TODAY'S BAPTISM

Emery Rose Messenger
Parents: Sarah and Adam Messenger
Birthdate: February 17, 2025

Elder: Liz McCarter
Youth Deacon: Kathryn Carrel
Bible Presenter: Alice Hammond

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WELCOME FAMILIES WITH YOUNG CHILDREN

Following today's *Word with Children*, children ages 4 through grade 5 may remain with their families or depart for *Sunday Mornings for Children*. If departing, please assure your child is wearing a green nametag or a printed nametag from a Rock check-in kiosk. Carol Choir pick up will be in Room 355 at 11:15 AM. 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.

September 14, 2025

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

We Come Together as God's People

Prelude

Marche Héroïque
Dr. John Allegar, organ

Alfred H. Brewer
(1865-1928)

Welcome

Rev. Christopher A. Henry

Commissioning of Second Act Montreat Trip

Choral Call to Worship

Lead Me Lord
Sanctuary Choir; Dr. Michelle Louer, conductor

Samuel Sebastian Wesley
(1810-1876)

Lead me, Lord, lead me in Thy righteousness,
make Thy way plain before my face.
For it is Thou, Lord, Thou, Lord,
only that makest me dwell in safety.

Text: Psalm 5:8

* Call to Worship

Rev. Audrey F. Thorne

One: Here in this place, there are no strangers,

All: for all are welcome in God's house.

One: Here in this worship, there is only acceptance,

All: for love is the language of faith.

One: Here in our lives, there are no divisions,

All: for God dwells in each of us.

One: Come, let us worship in unity and love.

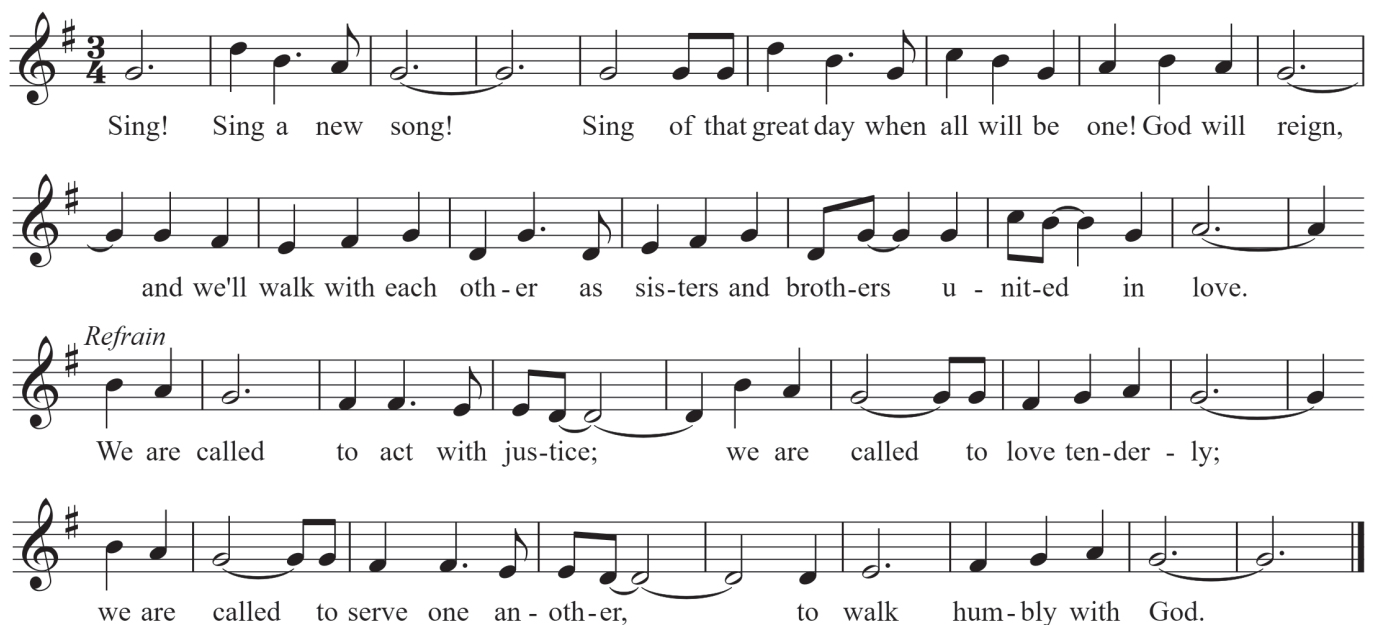
* Prayer of Adoration

Invitation to Confession**Prayer of Confession**

**Almighty God,
you love us, but we have not loved you;
you call, but we have not listened.
We walk away from neighbors in need,
wrapped up in our own concerns.
We have gone along with evil,
with pride, quarrelling, and divisiveness.
Holy God, help us to face up to ourselves,
so that, as you move toward us in mercy,
we may repent, turn to you, and receive mercy;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. (Silent Prayer)**

Assurance of God's Grace* **Response of Praise***Sing! Sing a New Song!*

WE ARE CALLED



Sing! Sing a new song! Sing of that great day when all will be one! God will reign,
and we'll walk with each oth-er as sis-ters and broth-ers u - nit-ed in love.
Refrain
We are called to act with jus-tice; we are called to love ten-der - ly;
we are called to serve one an - oth-er, to walk hum-bly with God.

* **Passing the Peace of Christ*** **Hymn #386***O for a World*

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We Experience God's Word

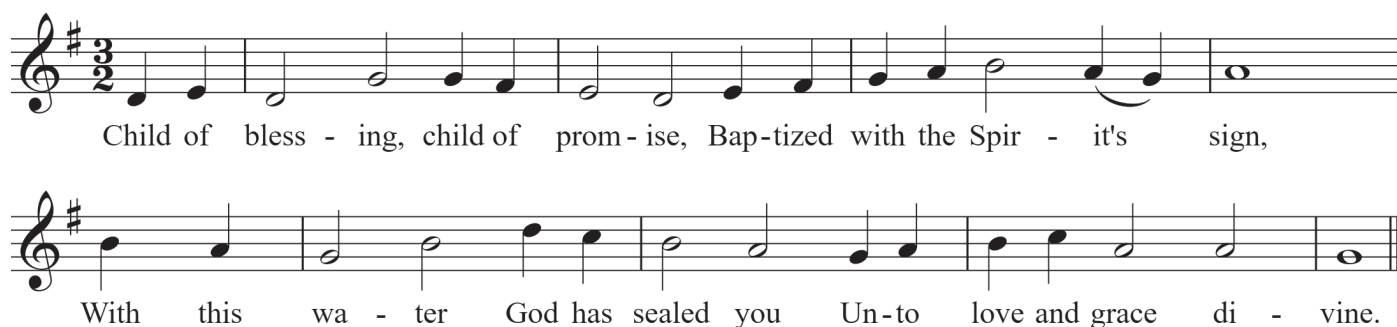
The Word with Children

Sacrament of Baptism

Hymn of Response #498

Child of Blessing, Child of Promise

KINGDOM



Prayer for Illumination

Liz McCarter

First Scripture Lesson

Philippians 2:1-8

(p. 1069)

Anthem

My Song Shall Be Always

Gerald Near
(b. 1942)

My song shall be always of the loving kindness of the Lord.
With my mouth will I show forth thy truth.
For I have said, "mercy is set up for ever; thy truth shalt thou establish in the heavens."

Text: Psalm 89:1 (adapted)

Second Scripture Lesson

1 Corinthians 9:19, 22-27

(p. 1044)

Sermon

Rev. Christopher A. Henry

Chill Out - Temperance

*"Do you not know that in a race the runners all compete, but only one receives the prize?
Run in such a way that you may win it."
(1 Corinthians 9:24)*

Moment of Silent Meditation

We Give Thanks to God

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Rev. Michael M. Samson

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

Offertory

If With All Your Hearts (from *Elijah*)
Will Upham, tenor

Felix Mendelssohn
(1809-1847)

"If with all your hearts ye truly seek me, ye shall ever surely find me," thus saith our God.
Oh! That I knew where I might find Him, that I might even come before His presence!

Text: Deuteronomy 4:29; Job 23:3

* Doxology

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

All crea- tures, your Cre - a - tor bless, And wor-ship God in hum-ble - ness.
O sing ye! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise, praise the Fa- ther, praise the Son,
And praise the Spir - it, Three in One! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

* Prayer of Dedication

We Go Forth to Serve

* **Closing Hymn #354**

Guide My Feet

Spiritual

* **Charge and Benediction**

* **Choral Benediction**

Go in Peace to Love and Serve the Lord

Paul Inwood
(b. 1947)

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Go in peace: become the living Word!
Christ on our lips and Christ in our hearts,
May we show God's love to the world.

Postlude

Festival Voluntary

Flor Peeters
(1903-1986)

THE POWER OF PRAYER

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:

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VISITING TODAY?

Thank you for worshipping 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

Annual Church Picnic on the Lawn
Following 10 AM Service •
South Parking Lot & Chapel Lawn

NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

GUIDING LIGHTS

RECLAIMING EVERYDAY VIRTUES

TAKE A DEEP BREATH - PRUDENCE

Rev. Christopher A. Henry

8:15 AM • Chapel Worship

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



Have Faith in Art Exhibit

Now – October 3 • McFarland Hall

Winter Warmth Coat Collection

Now – October 19 • Atrium Drop-off

Young Adult Community Groups Kickoff

September 15 and 17 • 7 PM • Parlor

Men at Second Pop Up Social

September 17 • 5:30 PM • 101 Craft Kitchen in Carmel

Fourth Grade Bibles

September 21 • 9 AM • McFarland Hall

Congregational Meeting

September 21 • Following 10 AM worship • Sanctuary
The Session has called a congregational meeting for the purpose of hearing and acting on recommendations to elect two members to fill unexpired terms in the Class of 2026 on the Session.

Art Song Series: Songs of Peace

September 21 • 11:35 AM • Choir Room

Soul Care Class

September 21 • 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM • Room 356

Men at Second Sunday Cycling

September 21 • 4 PM • Danny Boy Beer Works in Carmel