

DECEMBER 15, 2013

175 YEARS

SECOND PRESBYTERIAN
Church
1838

Second Presbyterian Church is a welcoming community of faith where Jesus Christ transforms lives through:

worship, as we praise and glorify God;

mission, as we embody God's love in service to the world;

discipleship, as we listen for God's Word;

giving, as we express gratitude to God;

fellowship, as we love and care for one another.

Weekly Sunday Worship

8:15 a.m.—Chapel

9:30 a.m.—Sanctuary

11 a.m.—Sanctuary

Service of Communion & Wholeness

10:35 a.m.—Chapel

Families@Five Worship

5 p.m.—Chapel

Second@Six Casual Worship

6 p.m.—Sanctuary

Next Sunday, December 22 Fourth Sunday of Advent

8:15, 9:30 and 11 a.m.

Dr. Lewis F. Galloway

Families@Five

Rev. Caroline V. Dennis,

Rev. Anna K. Fulmer

Second@Six

Dr. Richard L. Baker

SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP - 6 PM

Advent 2013



Building Community ❖ Transforming Lives ❖ Engaging the World

Today@Second

8 a.m.

Theology, Thoughts & Coffee, 312:
Studying Soren Kierkegaard's book,
Fear and Trembling

8:30 a.m.

McFarland Hall:
175th Anniversary Book Promotion
Boy Scouts Wreaths

9 a.m.

Discovering Second, 356

9:30 a.m.

Nursery: Infants, 240; Toddler, 233
Preschool & Kindergarten Sunday
School, Second Floor
Elementary Sunday School, Third Floor
Middle School, Youth Suite
High School, Youth Suite

Faith in Action, Common Room:
"Unexpected Consequences of Love"
by Faye Daniels, Scott Burns, Mary Ann
Galloway and Carol Johnston

Koinonia, 402: Studying Acts
The Upper Room Bible Study, 109

Words on the Word, 312:
Discuss AM sermon Scripture text

10:30 a.m.

Coffee Hour in McFarland Hall:
175th Anniversary Book Promotion
Boy Scouts Wreaths
Kenya Carnival

11:15 a.m.

"Children's Advent Activities", 112

12 p.m.

2013 Christmas Eve Rehearsal
(Speaking Parts), Chapel

5:30 p.m.

Sunday@Supper, Common Room

6 p.m.

Second@Six Children's Classes, Third Floor

Youth Fun night,
Dave & Buster's in Castleton

Typhoon Haiyan Disaster Relief

Second has sent \$15,602 to Presbyterian Disaster Relief for the efforts in the Philippines following the typhoon. If you would like to donate to this cause, please specify this in your donation envelopes or select this box in your e-giving account.



For Christian Education updates on facebook, "like" our CE page at Facebook.com/2PCCE

MISSION AND BENEVOLENCE

Groundbreaking Ceremony!

The Board of Directors of Westminster Neighborhood Ministries cordially invites you to the groundbreaking ceremony of our new Family and Adult Services Center.

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neighborhood ministries
Meeting needs Inspiring lives Changing futures

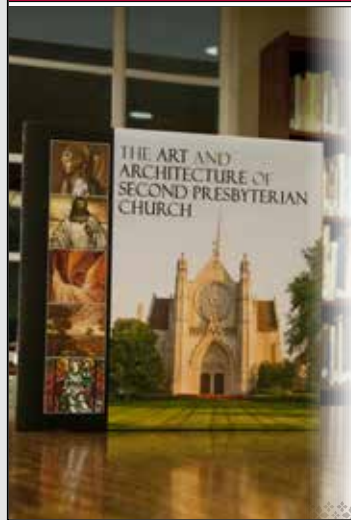


MONDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2 PM

2325 E. NEW YORK STREET

(Corner of New York Street and Keystone Avenue)

MUSIC AND FINE ARTS



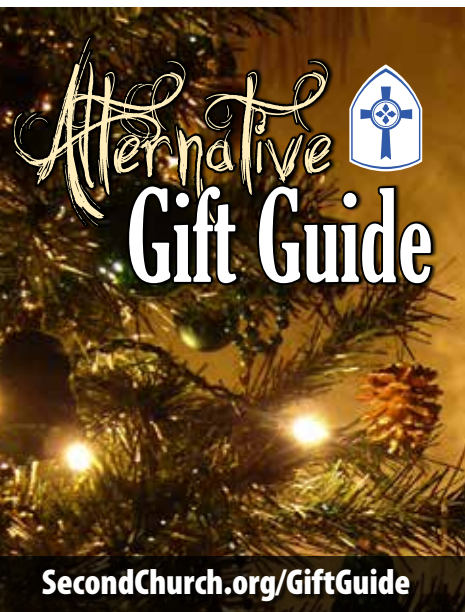
Take Home Your Copy Today!

In celebration of the 175th Anniversary of Second Presbyterian Church, the Fine Arts Advisory Team has published a fascinating book, entitled *The Art and Architecture of Second Presbyterian Church*.

A Great Gift Idea! Look no further to support local ministries and do Christmas shopping! All profits from the book will be donated to Northside and Westminster Ministries.

Books may be purchased for \$30 in McFarland Hall or online. Please visit SecondChurch.org/FAAT for more details.

The books have arrived! If you pre-ordered copies, please pick them up during Coffee Hour or at the Music and Fine Arts office during regular business hours.



As you make your list and check it twice, you are invited to consider gifts to some of the transformational programs of Second Presbyterian Church.

This guide includes information about fifteen different ministries. You can make a donation in any dollar amount to one or more projects. A donation form is in the back of this guide and also online at SecondChurch.org/GiftGuide.

When you make a donation in honor of a friend or family member, the honor card can be sent directly to the honoree or to you so that you can personally present it. Deadline is December 15 to receive honor cards before Christmas.

SecondChurch.org/GiftGuide

December 15, 2013 — Third Sunday of Advent

WELCOME! We are so glad to have you with us this evening. If you are worshipping with us for the first time, please fill out one of the “welcome” cards in the pew rack so we may welcome you and respond to any questions you might have.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Gathering Music

Welcome and Concerns of the Church

Call to Worship

Richard Baker

* Opening Hymn #22 *Angels, from the Realms of Glory*

REGENT SQUARE

Sung Call to Confession

O holy Child of Bethlehem, Descend to us, we pray;
Cast out our sin and enter in, Be born in us today.
We hear the Christmas angels The great glad tidings tell;
O come to us, abide with us, Our Lord Emmanuel!

Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Response of Praise

For Christ is born of Mary; And gathered all above,
While mortals sleep, the angels keep Their watch of wondering love.
O morning stars, together Proclaim the holy birth!
And praises sing to God the King, And peace to all on earth.

* Passing of the Peace

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

(Children may exit through the pulpit doors for their classes.)

Offering



Worship Leaders

Dr. Richard L. Baker
Senior Associate Pastor

Rev. Anna K. Fulmer
Lake Fellow in Parish Ministry

Rev. William M. Scott
Lake Fellow in Parish Ministry

This evening's worship service
features music by:

The Jazz Trio

Steve Allee, piano
Frank Smith, bass
Chris Pyle, drums
Erin Benedict, soloist

CHILDCARE is available in Room 211 for
infants - age 3 years.

CHILDREN ages 4-10 years:

Following the *Passing of the Peace*, children
ages 4 – 10 are welcome to participate in
the Children's Program by meeting the
Program Coordinators at the pulpit door
during the Passing of the Peace.

Please fill out a security sticker from the
pew rack and place on child, but keep the
adjoining number to use when you pick up
your child from classrooms 304 – 309.

Children's bulletins/worship booklets are
available from the ushers.

* Those who are able may stand. + Latecomers may be seated.

QUOTATIONS:

"Music and silence - how I detest them both! . . . Noise, the grand dynamism, the audible expression of all that is exultant, ruthless, and virile - Noise which alone defends us from silly qualms, despairing scruples, and impossible desires. We will make the whole universe a noise in the end. We have already made great strides in this direction as regards the Earth. The melodies and silences of Heaven will be shouted down in the end. But I admit we are not yet loud enough, or anything like it."

-The Demon "Screwtape" in *The Screwtape Letters*, by C.S. Lewis

"Cage accepted the goal of music as explained to him by Sarabhai: 'to sober and quiet the mind, thus rendering it susceptible to divine influences.'"

--Kathan Brown, *John Cage Visual Art: To Sober and Quiet the Mind*

"John Cage described music as 'a purposeless play' which is 'an affirmation of life - not an attempt to bring order out of chaos nor to suggest improvements in creation, but simply a way of waking up to the very life we're living.'"

-- <http://epc.buffalo.edu/authors/perloff/cage.html>

"Going into the anechoic chamber at Harvard University, I expected to hear no sound at all, because it was a room made as silent as possible. But in that room I heard two sounds. And I was so surprised that I went to the engineer in charge . . . and said, There's something wrong, there're two sounds in that room, and he said describe them, and I did, one was high and one was low, and he said, the high one was my nervous system . . . and the low one was my blood circulating. So I realized that . . . I was making music unintentionally continuously."

-- John Cage, from *Silence*

"Wonder is the precondition for all wisdom."

~ Christian Wiman, *My Bright Abyss: Meditation of a Modern Believer*

Special Music

Scripture Reading

Luke 1:5-25

(p. 931)

Message

Anna Fulmer and Will Scott

Worship in Wonder Series

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"But now, because you did not believe my words, which will be fulfilled in their time, you will become mute, unable to speak, until the day these things occur."

(LUKE 1:20)

Sung Sermon Response

**How silently, how silently, The wondrous gift is given!
So God imparts to human hearts The blessings of His heaven.
No ear may hear His coming, But in this world of sin,
Where meek souls will receive Him, still the dear Christ enters in.**

* **Affirmation of Faith**

(from Luke 1:68-79)

**Blessed be the Lord God of Israel,
for God has looked favorably on his people and redeemed them.
The Lord has raised up a mighty savior for us
in the house of his servant David,
as God spoke through the mouth of his holy prophets from of old,
that we would be saved from our enemies and from the hand
of all who hate us.
Thus God has shown the mercy promised to our ancestors,
and has remembered his holy covenant,
the oath that he swore to our ancestor Abraham,
to grant us that we, being rescued from the hands of our enemies,
might serve him without fear, in holiness and righteousness
before him all our days.
And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High;
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,
to give knowledge of salvation to his people
by the forgiveness of their sins.
By the tender mercy of our God,
the dawn from on high will break upon us,
to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death,
to guide our feet into the way of peace.**

SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP

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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Communion

Richard Baker

All are invited to partake of this Communion meal. To receive the bread and juice, walk to the front via the nearest center aisle. When you receive Communion, tear a generous piece of bread from the loaf, then dip it into the cup. Please return to your seat via the outer aisle.

Communion is a time for prayer and meditation and open to all.

Special Music

Prayer

* **Closing Hymn #23** *Angels We Have Heard on High*

GLORIA

* **Benediction**

News Within the Church Family

Hospitalized:
John Colbert

This Week@Second

Monday, December 16

- **PW Prayer Group.** 9 a.m., 355.
- **Centering Prayer.** 10 a.m., 355.
- **Monday AM Book & Bible Study.** 10 a.m., 312.

Tuesday, December 17

- **Men's Fellowship Breakfast.** 7 a.m., Youth Suite.
- **Young Women's Small Group.** 7:30 p.m., 113.

Wednesday, December 18

- **"Sticks" Parkinson's Support.** 11 a.m., 112.
- **Dad's Fellowship.** 6 p.m., Common Room.
- **Centering Prayer Wed. Night.** 6:30 p.m., 113.
- **Youth Ministries Wed. Night.** 6:30 p.m., Youth Suite.
Quest: Middle School.
Niners: Confirmation.
Trek: High School.
- **Second Winds Rehearsal.** 8 p.m., 356.

Thursday, December 19

- **Son Rise Adult Bible Study.** 6 p.m., McFarland Hall.
- **CB Food Shopping Night.** 6-8:30 p.m., Multipurpose Room.
- **Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal.** 7 p.m., Sanctuary.
- **Edson Youth Choir Rehearsal.** 7:30-8:45 p.m., in Chapel.

Friday, December 20

- **Mindfulness Meditation.** 12:15-12:45 p.m., 113.

Saturday, December 21

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MEN'S FELLOWSHIP



Dads: Changing the World... one family at a time!

EVERY 3RD WEDNESDAY, 6-8 PM, COMMON ROOM

Wednesdays
@Second



SecondChurch.org/Dads

Men's Book Study

"If you're tired of the status quo—if you suspect there's more to Christianity than what you've experienced"

John Ortberg invites you to join him on a road to transformation and spiritual vigor that anyone can take.

Advent text messages

We invite you to "opt in" to receive a daily text message from the church at 7 p.m. each evening during the entire Advent season. Each text will contain a short message and scripture to remind you of the season and help you stay focused on the true meaning of Christmas and Advent.

To sign up, simply text the word **ADVENT** to the shortcode **69302**. You will receive a "thank you" text once you are added to the list. Standard text message rates do apply.



Get started: Simply scan this QR code with your smart phone and send the text message that it creates for you.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY

Meeting the needs of the whole child in a creative, nurturing, Christian environment.

Offering classes for children ages 9 months through 5 years.

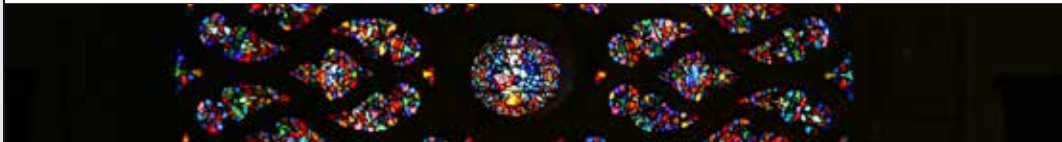
Registration for 2014-2015 school year opens soon!

To set up a tour, contact the preschool office at (317) 252-5517.

ChildrensCircle.org
Facebook.com/ChildrensCircle



Children's Circle
Preschool
OF SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Transforming Lives Through Worship

Thanks to everyone who contributes to the church's General Fund. You have helped to make today's inspiring worship service possible! Not only worship, but all of our life-transforming ministries of mission, discipleship, and fellowship are made possible by member contributions.

Pledge cards are available in the pew racks and literature racks. These can be returned through the offering plate or by mail. You can also pledge online at SecondChurch.org/Stewardship. Please try to make your pledge by Sunday, December 22.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Everyone is welcome to attend the PW Wednesday Morning Bible Study

beginning on January 8, 2014.

We will study Romans, which teaches how to break out of old patterns and become new in Christ.

WEDNESDAYS, 9:15 AM

Please join us in Room 356 for fellowship at 9:15am and study for 9:30-11am. Optional prayer in Milner Chapel at 9am. Contacts: Nancy Cronin 815-8775 or Julia Erickson 845-4064



YOUTH MINISTRIES



Join us for a night of great fun at
Dave & Busters in Castleton.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15, 6-8 PM

\$15

for all the fun!

Unlimited game play & food!

Invite a friend & come have a good time!

Sign up at SecondChurch.org/Youth.

Grades 6-12 Only! Sorry parents! You can go some other time!

Hunger Team Thanks

- The Hunger Team thanks you for your support especially during October Hunger Awareness month. Nearly \$10,000 (\$9939) has been raised for the CROP Hunger Walk! These funds combat hunger on the local, national and global levels. Thanks also for your response to the blue Hunger Ministries shopping bags. All items go directly to the Northside and Westminster Food Pantries to help hungry people in Washington and Center townships. Need in our community has increased due to recent cuts in food stamps. The blue bags are available in the Atrium and Narthex. Take a bag, fill it, and return it. We'll take care of the rest!

Northside Ministry

- Northside Ministry partner Greenbriar Elementary School is in need of a volunteer or two to help in the school office one morning or one afternoon a week. Contact Jan Millholland at jmillholland@indy.rr.com.

Communications

Volunteers Needed:

- Communications Team needs volunteers - just 2 hrs./mth. No experience needed, training provided. Grade 8 to Sages all welcome! Please contact Jamison Coler: JColer@SecondChurch.org.
- Audio Operator
- Camera Operator
- Graphic Design
- Photography
- Writing
- Social Media
- A/V Set-up



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Indianapolis, IN 46260

SecondChurch.org

Office Hours:

Mon.-Fri.: 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.;
Sat.: 9 a.m. to noon

Ministerial Candidates:

Sarah Bilek, Karl Duchmann,
Nick Ison, Jennifer Lipinski,
Tom Markey, Ben Snipes,
Stacey Smith, Maureen Wilson.

Inspirational Phone Message
(317) 522-1943

**Telephone/Fax Numbers/
Church Office**
(317) 253-6461 (phone)
(317) 252-5590 (fax)

Children's Circle Preschool
(317) 252-5517

Childcare Reservations
(317) 252-5519

CenterPoint Counseling
(317) 252-5518

NEW TO US?

**Are you considering
membership at Second?**

Please plan to attend the
next Discovering Second,
a two-part class on
Saturday, January 25,
9 a.m. - 1 p.m. and
Sunday, January 26,
9 - 10:45 a.m.

Please contact
Dr. Jim Riley at 253-6461 or
JRiley@SecondChurch.org

A wonderful story simply told.

Just bring yourselves and your wonder.

Arrive at 4:30 to choose your part and your
costume. Worship begins at 5 p.m. Together we sing
our favorite hymns and tell the wonder-filled story of
the child born in Bethlehem.

**Next Sunday
Brown Bag Nativity**

4:30 p.m., McFarland Hall

Supper@Second

Pizza & Birthday Party for Jesus

5:30 p.m., Community Room

Families@Five

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22

Christmas Eve Worship Services

Please join us at one of our four worship services.

4 p.m. Lessons, Lights and Carols
CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

7 p.m. Candles and Carols
LED BY ASPIRE YOUTH MINISTRIES

9 p.m. Lessons, Candles and Carols
MEDITATION BY DR. GALLOWAY

**11 p.m. Lessons, Candles, Carols
and Holy Communion**
MEDITATION BY DR. GALLOWAY



The Christmas season is a time for joy and
celebration. But too often, busy schedules, increased
demands and high expectations contribute to greater
stress, loneliness and grief. CenterPoint counselors,
board and staff members offer our favorite tips to
help you enjoy December just a little more.
View our website daily or like us on Facebook!



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