PRELUDE Dr. Dennis Gotkowski **FOUNDATIONS** Jamie Kaiser Mixolydian Toccata Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck Children invited to attend Sunday School -WELCOME & LIFE TOGETHER Jamie Kaiser *SONG of the DAY Congregational Singing FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Elder Shelly Gant O God of Earth and Altar No. 291 Job 9:1-12 p. 459 Deacon Bryce Jones CALL to WORSHIP SPECIAL MUSIC Dr. Dennis Gotkowski & Ron Kiesewetter Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth. Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying arr. Ken Medema Worship the Lord with gladness; come into his presence with singing. SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Jamie Kaiser Know that the Lord is God. Job 38:31-33, 40: 3-5 pp. 485-486 It is he that made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. **MESSAGE** Jamie Kaiser Enter his gates with thanksgiving, Who's To Say? and his courts with praise. Give thanks to him, bless his name. *HYMN Congregational Singing For the Lord is good; God Is Our Refuge and Our Strength No. 191 his steadfast love endures forever, **OFFERING** and his faithfulness to all generations. Offertory How Deep the Father's Love for Us arr. Lyndell Leatherman CALL to CONFESSION Jamie Kaiser *Doxology No. 592 *Prayer of Thanksgiving PRAYER of CONFESSION God of mercy and grace, we come before you today with clenched fists, PRAYERS of the PEOPLE Jamie Kaiser holding tightly to our need for certainty. Ending with the Lord's Prayer Forgive us for what the need does to our hearts—how it shapes our thinking, our faith, and the way we interact with those around us. *HYMN Congregational Singing Loosen our grip, Lord. Mold our hearts in confidence of who you are. To God Be the Glory No. 485 Amen. BENEDICTION Jamie Kaiser ASSURANCE of PARDON Friends, hear the good news: Even when we cling to certainty and close our hearts in fear, **POSTLUDE** Dr. Dennis Gotkowski God opens wide the arms of grace. Allegro moderato **Edward Bunnett** God meets our rigidity with mercy and shapes our stubbornness into trust. In Christ, we are not cast aside—we are reshaped, renewed, and restored. Believe the good news: in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God! Amen. **GLORIA PATRI** Congregational Singing No. 579

Jamie Kaiser

*Please stand

PASSING of the PEACE

UPCOMING at SECONDPRES

GROUP SALE CELEBRATION

Thank you to everyone who was a part of this year's Group Sale! We can safely say it was another successful year! To celebrate all the lives touched and funds raised, join us on Sunday, August 3 for Rev. Trey Haddon's message, and an update from Janet Frankeberger on our final Group Sale numbers.

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Join Rev. Trey Haddon for his upcoming Adult Christian Education class about our groups, partners, and mission here at Second Pres! Learn more about who we share our space with, as well as partners in the town that help to spread the heart of Christ in the heart of our community. This class will be held on Sundays, August 10, 17, and 24. More information is to come!

THEOLOGY ON TAP

Join us for Theology on Tap on Thursday, Aug. 7. 6–7:30 p.m. at the Paxton Building (207 E Washington St.).

Parking: Street, PNC Bank lot, or Second Pres. Food & Drinks: \$5 cash for food or bring your own; local beverages with cash donation. Childcare: Free at Second Pres, 5:45-8 p.m.

Questions? Email communications@ secondpres.com. See you there!

HELP ISI WELCOME NEW STUDENTS TO ISU

Make a life-changing impact by welcoming international students this August! We need Christian individuals and families to help during ISU's new student orientation (week of Aug. 11) and before classes start on Aug. 18.

Ways to help:

- Host a student for 1-3 days
- Provide airport/train station transportation
- Share a meal or help with shopping
- Donate items for welcome packs (great group project!)
- Provide a meal for monthly Friday events

Interested? Contact John & Linda Berger (International Students, Inc.) at jberger@ international students.org or 309.664.0377. Training is provided.

FALL KICK OFF AND STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY

Join us at Second Pres for this year's Fall Kickoff and Stewardship Sunday on Sunday, September 7! We hope to see you there!

Before the service begins, please check in using your pew pad (located in each pew) or via the Second Pres church app.

WEEKLY AT SECOND PRES

EVERY SUNDAY

8:45 am: **Sunday Morning Brunch**

Worship Service 9:00 am: 10:15 am:

ACE (Adult Christian Education) 10:15 am: High School Brunch (Resumes August) Lego League Robotics (Grades 4-8)

EVERY TUESDAY

Scouts Troops 903 and 9903 7:00 pm: 6-8:00 pm: First Tech Challenge (FTC)

Robotics (Grades 7-12)

EVERY WEDNESDAY

6-7:30 pm: K-5th KidsMin (Resumes 9/10) 6-8th YOUthMin (Resumes 9/10) 6-7:30 pm: Chapel Choir Rehearsal 6:30-8:00 pm:

(Resumes 9/3)

EVERY THURSDAY

11:30 am: Thursday Prayer Lunch

UPCOMING AT SECOND PRES:

8/3 **Group Sale Celebration**

8/7 Theology on Tap - 6 p.m. (Paxton Bldg)

8/10 Kids & Youth Ministry Resumes 8/17 Blessing of the Backpacks

8/28 **Blood Drive**

9/7 Fall Kickoff

9/7 Stewardship Sunday

Westminster Village Communion 9/10

BIBLE STUDIES

EVERY TUESDAY

8:30 am: Morning Men's Bible Study (Wylie)

EVERY OTHER TUESDAY

11:30 am: Bible Study (Jones)

EVERY WEDNESDAY

6-7:45 p.m.: The Gathering Bible Study

(Jennings)

For more information on Bible studies visit: secondpres.com/biblestudy



Who's To Say?

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Sunday, July 27, 2025 9:00 AM

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