

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Holiday Closure

The church office will be closed on Monday, January 3 for the New Year holiday. We will reopen on Tuesday, January 4. We hope you had a wonderful New Year's celebration.

### Welcome Church Administrator Nathan Anderson

On Wednesday, Jan. 5, we officially welcome Nathan Anderson to his new position at Second. Most recently, Nathan has been working for the Taubman Museum of Art. He is an illustrator and ordained minister in the Baptist church. While serving as a pastor in previous congregations, Nathan was drawn toward administrative tasks, and recognizes the need to be a good steward of a congregation's resources and facilities. A native of southwest Virginia, he is most at home walking in the woods, working in his garden, or watching the birds. He and his wife, Hannah, live in Roanoke with their three children, Phoebe, Harry, and Peter. Notes of welcome can be sent to [admin@spres.org](mailto:admin@spres.org).

**CONFIRMATION SUNDAY IS JANUARY 9:** We are pleased to present the Confirmation Class of 2022 to you during the 11:00 a.m. worship service next week on January 9. This year was a combined class of 8th and 9th graders due to the postponement of last year's class due to COVID. We thank God for the faithful witness and hard work of these students, mentors, and teachers, and we encourage you to be present as we welcome these confirmands into full membership of the church!

**PRESCHOOL ENROLLMENT FOR CHURCH MEMBERS, JANUARY 10-14:** Preschool Enrollment for the 2022-2023 school year for church members and siblings of current students only is held January 10-14. Please download the Preschool Application at [www.sprespreschool.com](http://www.sprespreschool.com) and bring the completed application, along with a \$75.00 check made out to Second Presbyterian Preschool, to the church or preschool between 8:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. If you have any questions or would like to tour the preschool, please contact Dr. Sally l'Anson, Preschool Director at 540-342-6405 ext. 1 or email her at [sally@spres.org](mailto:sally@spres.org).

**FOLLOW US ON INSTAGRAM:** We're excited to share the news that Second Presbyterian Church is now on Instagram! If you or your loved one has an Instagram account, help us grow our platform by following our account [@spresroanoke](https://www.instagram.com/spresroanoke) so that more people can learn about our wonderful community and see the great work that is happening here at Second. Stay connected to the church in 2022 and beyond with Instagram!

**OPEN DOOR SUNDAY SCHOOL INVITATION:** On Sunday, January 23, the Open Door Class will start a study of the book *White Too Long* by Robert P. Jones. Anyone who would like to be a part of this study should purchase the book and email Kay Saleeby at [kaysaleeby@hotmail.com](mailto:kaysaleeby@hotmail.com) for more information about the class. You are welcome to join!

**OPEN FLOWER DATES:** The following dates are available for anyone who would like to sponsor flowers in the sanctuary: February 6 & 27. Please contact Denise Revercomb to see if the dates are still open (588-5111; [revercomb@cox.net](mailto:revercomb@cox.net)).

**SUNDAY MORNING NURSERY CARE:** Nursery care is available every Sunday morning from 8:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m. RSVP's are still requested, and you may RSVP via our church website ([www.spres.org/worship/worship-times/](http://www.spres.org/worship/worship-times/)) or the pastors' weekly email.

**SUNDAY MORNING GREETERS:** We give thanks for our greeters who welcome members and visitors to worship on Sunday mornings. If you would like to be a part of this ministry of hospitality, please call or text Elizabeth Vacher at 919-451-2070, or email her at [elizabethvacher@gmail.com](mailto:elizabethvacher@gmail.com).

**PRAYER CONCERNS:** Mike Flannagan, Agnes Reid Jenny.

### THE WEEK AHEAD

#### Today, January 2

8:45 AM: Communion Worship Service, Sanctuary  
10:00 AM: Church School  
10:40 AM: Commission of the Session, Parlor/Zoom  
11:00 AM: Communion Worship Service, Sanctuary/Live Stream  
11:00 AM: Children Worship & Wonder, CWW Room

#### Monday, January 3

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED FOR HOLIDAY  
5:45 PM: Scouts  
6:30 PM: Scouts  
6:30 PM: AI Anon, Trent Classroom, Reading Room, Library

#### Tuesday, January 4

9:30 AM: Staff Meeting, Zoom

#### Wednesday, January 5

12:00 PM: Bulletin Article Deadline  
4:45 PM: Personnel Committee Zoom/Session Room

#### Thursday, January 6

5:15 PM: Christian Education Committee Meeting, Zoom  
7:30 PM: Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room

#### Friday, January 7

#### Saturday, January 8

### SAFETY PROTOCOL FOR ON-SITE WORSHIP

1. Masks are requested for worship and other indoor gatherings. It is **especially important** to wear your mask if you plan to sing the hymns.
2. Those who have symptoms of illness or who have been in contact with anyone with COVID-19 within two weeks are asked to worship online.
3. Please allow for distancing that makes sense (families and separate households).
4. Donations are appreciated and can be placed in designated receptacles.
5. Nursery care is available by RSVP (<https://rsvp.church/r/Bm7GRJ13>).
6. Outdoor visits are encouraged for catching up after the long pandemic separation.
7. Greeters, ushers, and pastors will welcome questions and offer guidance.

### Staff

*Interim Administrator*  
Mark Wigginton  
*Choir Director*  
Dr. Jeffrey Sandborg  
*Organist*  
Marianne Sandborg  
*Engagement and Children's Ministry Coordinator*  
Christal Pearson  
*Pastors' Assistant*  
Meredith Koliba  
*Secretary*  
Stacy Moore  
*Media and Communications Specialist*  
Andrea Boone  
*Interim Sexton*  
John Brady Anderson

### Trustees

Ron Ayers  
Mary Ann Johnson  
George A. McLean, Jr.

### Clerk of Session

Bill Durham  
Ken Lyons (Asst. Clerk)

### Treasurers

Joe Miller  
Kelly Speas (Vice-Treasurer)

### Missionaries

*National:*  
Beth-El Farmworker Ministry; Wimauma, FL  
*Local:*  
Presbyterian Community Center, Roanoke, VA

### Preschool

Dr. Sally l'Anson, *Director*  
540.342.6405  
[www.sprespreschool.com](http://www.sprespreschool.com)

For a list of church Committee Chairs, visit: [www.spres.org/about/leadership/](http://www.spres.org/about/leadership/)

For upcoming events, a library of sermons (audio & text), and more, visit our website:

[www.spres.org](http://www.spres.org)



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Sunday Morning Worship

Early and Late Services

January 2, 2022

Second Sunday  
of Christmas



### PASTORAL STAFF

*Dr. George C. Anderson, Senior Pastor*

*The Rev. Elizabeth N.H. Link, Executive Pastor*

*The Rev. Benjamin S. Brannan, Associate Pastor for Youth and Young Adults*

*Large-print copies of services may be requested from an usher.*

### MEMBERS OF THE SESSION OF SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

#### Elders - Class of 2021

Jack Dickerson  
Shirley Fitzpatrick  
Daniel Gunn  
Wayne Lewis  
Ken Lyons  
Christal Pearson  
David Wardell  
Cindy Waters

#### Elders - Class of 2022

John Johnson  
Robert Kulp  
Brooke Rosen  
Mary Evelyn Russell  
Kay Saleeby  
John Saunders  
Beth Smith  
Robert White

#### Elders - Class of 2023

Aaron Copeland  
Helen Dean  
Fred Greear  
Pat Houghton  
Robert Martin  
Sally Nichols  
Connie Polly  
Martha Wheeler



For information on the Mission Build Campaign and to track our progress, visit our website at [www.spres.org/give/mission-build-campaign/](http://www.spres.org/give/mission-build-campaign/).

JANUARY 2, 2022

WORSHIP AT 8:45 A.M. AND ON SITE & ONLINE AT 11:00 A.M.  
SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

Gathering Music *Now We Join In Celebration* Crüger/Cherwien

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude *We Three Kings* John H. Hopkins, Jr.

\*Call to Worship  
Weary and overwhelmed, we gather.  
**God's holy word revives us.**  
Simple and confused, we yield.  
**God's word gives us wisdom.**  
Blind and uncomprehending, we await.  
**God's word enlightens our eyes.**  
Celebrating the mystery of life, we worship.  
**God's Word became flesh, born as our Savior, Jesus Christ.**

\*Hymn No. 612 *We Praise You, O God*

Call to Confession  
Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon  
**Lord God, more to be desired than any material wealth or any worldly good, is a relationship with you. We truly want this, but we often fall short. We know you yearn for us to be in right relationship with you, with each other, and with creation. You tell us what is required: to seek justice, to love kindness, to walk humbly with you. Guide our steps once more. Make us not only followers of your law, but conduits of your love...**

*I have failed. Forgive me, O God. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.*  
***We have failed. Forgive us, O God. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.***  
*Amen.*

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading Matthew 5:17-20 New Testament p. 780  
Psalm 19:1-10 Old Testament p. 441  
The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**

Sermon *Gold in Plain Sight* Rev. Benjamin S. Brannan  
*Part VII of the sermon series "Advent in Plain Sight"*

\*Hymn of Response No. 110 *Love Has Come* (vv. 1-2)

\*Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed  
I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Call to Discipleship<sup>1\*\*</sup>  
Offering  
Offertory *What Child Is This?* Robert Lau  
Ritual of Friendship  
*(Please sign the Friendship Pad, pass it along to others in your pew, then return it to center.)*  
Prayer of Dedication

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper<sup>\*\*\*</sup>  
\*Hymn of Preparation No. 130 *Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light*

\*Hymn No. 669 *Let's Sing Unto the Lord*

\*Charge and Benediction  
Go now, with the knowledge of God-with-us, to proclaim the good news of Christ's birth,  
**To seek the riches of God's love and God's Word, who dwells among us full of grace and truth!**  
More than gold, even fine gold, desire the law of the Lord, so that your soul may be revived, your heart may rejoice, and your life be forever changed!

Postlude *March of the Three Kings* Gilbert M. Martin

<sup>\*\*</sup>*Please stand in body or spirit.*  
<sup>\*\*\*</sup>*All communion elements are gluten free.*



BULLETIN NOTES

<sup>1</sup> **OUTREACH OFFERING:** During the month of January, the Outreach Offering will support our *DR Medical Mission Team*. Donations can be placed in the offering plates or receptacles in the Narthex and at the front sanctuary exit.

The December Outreach Offering went to support the *Local Office on Aging's Meals on Wheels and Diner's Club programs*. **Last week, \$576 was collected bringing the monthly total to \$3,041.**

The 13th annual Manger Offering collected at all three Christmas Eve services will go to support *Family Promise of Greater Roanoke*, which helps families struggling to overcome homelessness by providing them temporary housing and skills development. **The total for the 2021 Manger Offering came to \$1,405 from the noon, 5:00 and 10:00 p.m. services combined.**

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**THIS SUNDAY**

**Flowers:** The flowers are given to the glory of God by James and Carol Moneymaker in celebration of their sixth wedding anniversary. They were married at Second Presbyterian Church on January 2, 2016.  
*Arranged by Cindy Smith.*

**Ushers (8:45 a.m.):** Daniel Gunn (Head Usher). **(11:00 a.m.)** Connie Polly (Head Usher).

**Live Stream Technicians:** Miranda Moore, Doug Settles.

**Children, Worship, & Wonder:** Lesson, "The Transfiguration of Jesus." Program Coordinator, Amanda Copeland.