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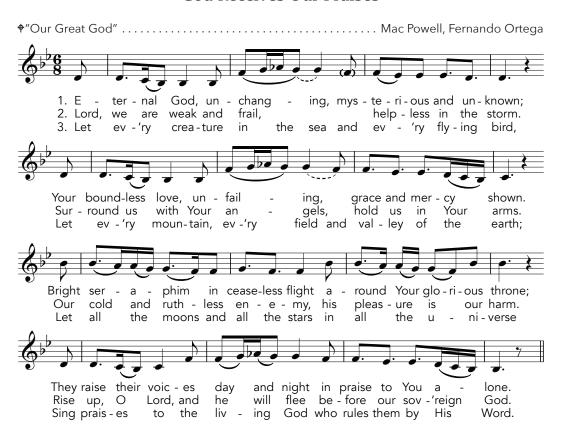
Welcome to Second Presbyterian Church.
May our worship open our hearts to God's love,
our eyes to God's beauty, our minds to God's truth,
and our will to God's service.



CURRENT SERMON SERIES

God Calls Us Into His Presence

God Receives Our Praises





 *"Knowing You, Jesus"
 Graham Kendrick

All I once held dear, built my life upon, All this world reveres and wars to own; All I once thought gain I have counted loss, Spent and worthless now compared to this.

Chorus:

Knowing You, Jesus, knowing You There is no greater thing You're my all, You're my rest, You're my joy, my righteousness, And I love You, Lord.

Now my heart's desire is to know You more, To be found in You and known as Yours, To possess by faith what I could not earn All surpassing gift of righteousness.

Chorus

O to know the power of Your risen life, And to know You in Your sufferings; To become like You in Your death, my Lord, So with You to live and never die.

Chorus

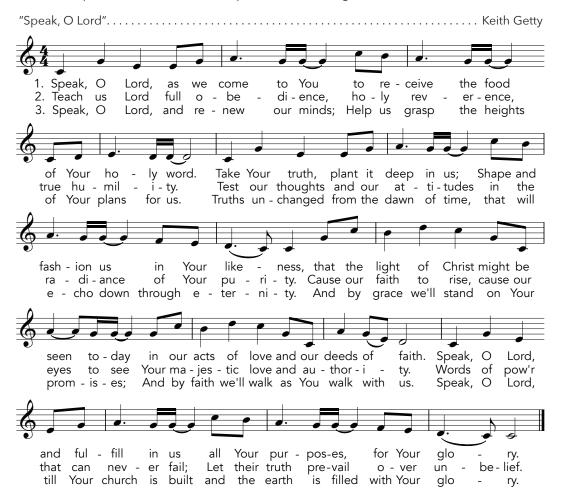
Great indeed, we confess, is the mystery of godliness:

He was manifested in the flesh, vindicated by the Spirit, seen by angels, proclaimed among the nations, believed on in the world, taken up in glory.

God Calls Us to Offer Ourselves to Him

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Worshipers at the end of a row should pass the collection bag to those in the row behind them.



†PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

†GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

We ask that everyone, including members and visitors, write their names, addresses, and other information in the spaces provided on the attendance pad as it is passed down the row.

God Speaks to Us His Word

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Why Do Christians Force Their Views on Me?

Mike Stokke Assistant Pastor Middle Adults

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

 *"Blessed Be Your Name"
 Matt Redman

Blessed be Your Name in the land that is plentiful,
Where Your streams of abundance flow
Blessed be Your Name.
And blessed be Your Name when I'm found in the desert place,
Though I walk through the wilderness
Blessed be Your Name.

Pre-chorus:

Every blessing You pour out I'll Turn back to praise; And when the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say:

Chorus:

Blessed be the Name of the Lord; Blessed be Your Name. Blessed be the Name of the Lord; Blessed be Your glorious Name.

Blessed be Your Name when the sun's shining down on me, When the world's "all as it should be" Blessed be Your Name.

And blessed be Your Name on the road marked with suffering, Though there's pain in the offering Blessed be Your Name.

Pre-chorus and Chorus

You give and take away. You give and take away. My heart will choose to say Lord, blessed be Your Name.

Chorus

God Blesses Us and Sends Us Out to Serve

†BENEDICTION

†Indicates congregation standing

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Getting Connected at Second

To find out more about who we are and how you can become part of our church community, contact Todd Erickson at (901) 531-8895 or todd.erickson@2pc.org.

Baseline Secular Cultural Narratives (Tim Keller)

Identity "You've got to be yourself."

(expressive individualism)

Truth "Only I can determine what is right or wrong for me."

(hate = you not supporting me in my value/lifestyle choices)

Freedom "Society must free people to live any way they want,

as long as no one else is hurt."

(primary virtue = choice; sin = limiting choice)

Science/Technology

"Believe whatever you want, but only facts that can be tested and verified scientifically are real."

History "You are on the wrong side of history."

Sermon Notes

How	do	we	answer	the	question?
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1. The essential purpose of the Gospel – a rescue; it saves

2. I Peter 3:15-17 – a biblical model for engaging with people

