



SECOND AVENUE GLOBAL METHODIST CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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Pastor's Letter

Church,

It is incredible to think that we are in the second month of 2026 already. God is doing amazing things in and through you and our church, and I am so thankful for all of you. My prayer and my hope for you in this month where we see hearts, candy, flowers, love, and romance is that you and I would seek to love well. Love is a small world, but its meaning is deep and complex. The Greeks used three different words for love. In comparison, in English we have one word: love. Philio is the Greek word which means friendship or brotherly love. This word for the naming of the Pennsylvania city Philadelphia and it is a casual friendship kind of love. Develop philio love in your life. Spend time with friends, enjoy hobbies, and live pursuing great joy in the philio aspect of love.

The Greeks use the word eros to mean romantic love. While romantic love is not the calling that God has on everyone's life it is a blessing for those who the Lord has given it to. In terms of eros love, exercise it under the authority of God's law. Obey God's commands. Stay faithful to your husband or your wife. Show affection. Listen deeply, but allow your eros love to point your spouse, fiancée, or significant other back to God.

The Greeks use the word agape to mean the love that never ends. When we discuss the love of God the word agape is always used. It is a love that sees people with grace and forgiveness. It is a love that is patient and kind. It is a love that causes us to be meek and love ourselves less. It is this love that causes us and reminds us we are to love well. I want to close with this verse for you in this month 1 John 4:7, "7 Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God."

Blessings,
Pastor B



Rhett Walker, Faith & Family Tour

Sunday, March 15th, 6:30 PM! Save the date! Special guests Olivia Lane and local act Follow will open the evening. Tickets are on sale 1/26/26, visit the church Facebook page or call the office for more info!

Pastor's Notes

Family Game Night & Nacho Bar

Everyone is welcome on Friday, Feb. 6th 6-9 PM!

Please sign up in the sanctuary for this evening of fellowship for all ages!

New Sunday School Class

Pastor Brian will lead a class during the 9:30 AM Sunday school hour on season two of "The Chosen."

Class will begin on Sunday, Feb. 1st.

Ash Wednesday

2/18/26

8:30-9:30 AM

Ashes & Communion
7 PM

Service following The ROCK (will also have ashes & communion)

Chocolate Covered

Strawberries

Order forms available at the church, due with payment by 2/12. Pick up on 2/14 10-11 AM
\$10/per dozen
\$5/half dozen

Soup & Sandwich Lunch

2/21/26 11:30-1

Food Pantry

2/27/26 11 AM

Text us!

833-768-9112



Get reminders, send prayer requests, ask questions and more (we will respond during office hours)

Staff:

Lead Pastor: Brian Sandell
Office Manager/Media: Jill Lang
Children's Ministry/ROCK:
Ashley Harclerode
Organist: Braydon Nihart
Praise Band: Jake Baskin,
Chris Ferguson
Musical Gifts: Gabriella Petraca
Youth: Nic Harclerode
Custodian: Tom Ardrey
Website: Andrew McNeal

*In Office Hours Mon.-Thurs.

8 AM-1 PM

*office generally follows the AASD calendar (closed most bank holidays, etc.—closures will be in the bulletin, on Facebook, etc.)

Sunday Services:

8:15 AM Traditional

10:45 AM Contemporary

9:30 AM Sunday School & Coffee Hour

February Counters:

Bertie Michaels

Marian Rice

Catch up on Sunday services on our YouTube channel

youtube.com/

@secondaveglobalmethodist



Second Ave Kids

2026 Easter Egg Hunt sign-ups will be posted soon. The hunt will be held on Sunday, March 29th directly after the 10:45 service. Lunch will be provided.

Since we have so many kids participating in junior church, we need some drinks and snacks. Currently, we need 8oz water bottles & chips. You can view our Amazon list of the 2nd Ave Kids Facebook page for ideas on what to get.

We are always looking for volunteers to keep the nursery staffed during the 10:45 service. If you have an interest, please let me know!

-Ashley Harclerode, Children's Director
ashleymiller1228@gmail.com

Youth Group

Thank you to everyone who prayed for the youth group while they were away on Winter Retreat. They had a wonderful time. Fish Frys will begin on Friday, February 20th. We ask that all youth group kids volunteer throughout the weeks of Fish Frys.

Youth Group is planning on going to Winter Jam at the Bryce Jordan Center on March 28th. We will be discussing more details about this at Youth Group as we get closer.

If you are interested in volunteering for youth group, let me know!
-Nic Harclerode

The ROCK

We have had a steady group of kids attending the ROCK each week. The kids are excited for their upcoming Easter Egg Hunt, and end of year party. If you are interested in donating for either of these events, please reach out and we will let you know what we need. Thank you all for your continued support of such a great program.

If you have any questions or are interested in volunteering, please let me know. We encourage families to join us on Facebook/ @TheROCKat2ndAve.

-Ashley Harclerode, ROCK Director
Contact: Ashleymiller1228@gmail.com

Nursery

The nursery schedule is posted on the nursery Facebook page. Please contact Ashley with any questions.

Winter Weather Reminder

The church office follows the AASD with delays and cancelations (or virtual days) Monday-Friday. If there is bad weather on the weekend, please check Facebook, email, and WTAJ for changes to schedules, but we always want you to use your best judgement and stay safe.

February Daily Scripture Reading

For 2026, we are borrowing a daily scripture & devotional from "The Upper Room Disciplines 2026." Below are the daily verses for February. The daily devotional pieces can be found on our FB page, emailed out to you at the beginning of the month, by picking a monthly packet up here; or you can also purchase a physical copy online to be shipped to you.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1 ~ *Read Matthew 5:1-12*
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2 ~ *Read Isaiah 58:1-9a*
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3 ~ *Read Isaiah 58:9b-12*
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4 ~ *Read Psalm 112:1-10*
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5 ~ *Read 1 Corinthians 2:1-16*
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6 ~ *Read 1 Corinthians 2:1-16*
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7 ~ *Read Matthew 5:13-16*
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8 ~ *Read Matthew 5:13-20*
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9 ~ *Read Exodus 24:12-18*
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10 ~ *Read Matthew 17:1-6*
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11 ~ *Read 2 Peter 1:16-21*
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12 ~ *Read Psalm 2*
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13 ~ *Read 2 Peter 1:16-21*
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 14 ~ *Read Exodus 24:12-18*
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15 ~ *Read Matthew 17:1-9*
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16 ~ *Read Matthew 4:1-11*
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17 ~ *Read Romans 5:12-19*
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18 ~ *Read Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21*
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19 ~ *Read Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7*
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20 ~ *Read Psalm 32*
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21 ~ *Read Psalm 32:3-5*
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22 ~ *Read Matthew 4:11*
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23 ~ *Read Genesis 12:1-4a*
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24 ~ *Read Genesis 12:2-3*
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25 ~ *Read Psalm 121*
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26 ~ *Read Romans 4:1-5*
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27 ~ *Read Romans 4:13-17*
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28 ~ *Read John 3:1-3*

Lenten Fish FRYdays

Our Youth Group will once again be hosting an all you can eat buffet on Fridays in Lent, beginning 2/20 (except Good Friday). The doors will open at 4 PM and the buffet will be available until 6:30 PM. Take out orders can be called in beginning at 3:30 PM. They are also asking for donations of desserts, please contact Nic Harlcerode for more information.

***Buffet pricing: \$18/adults, \$15/seniors 65+, \$13/kids 10 & under**

Take out meals: \$15/single meal

*Buffet to include (subject to change): Baked Fish (pollock), Fried Fish (cod), Crab Cakes, Shrimp Poppers, Clam Strips, Fries, Coleslaw, Stewed Tomatoes, Applesauce, Green Beans, Mac N Cheese, Corn Fritters, Hush Puppies, Dinner Roll, Dessert (one per person), Water, Iced Tea, Lemonade, Coffee **Soda available for purchase**