



ORDER FOR THE
PUBLIC WORSHIP *of* GOD

April 6, 2025
Season of Lent

Morning Worship

8:15 & 11:00 a.m.

The order of worship for the evening service begins on page 9.

PRAISE THE FATHER

PRELUDE: "Reckless Love" Dan Musselman

CHORAL INTROIT: "I Often Think of God/Lord Prepare Me to Be a Sanctuary" Carl Perry

Words and Music: Carl Perry; Randy Scruggs, John Thompson / Genesis 1:14-16; I Corinthians 3:16-17

When I see a star twinkling in the night, I often think of God.
When I see the moon so big and bright, I often think of God.
When I hear a bird begin to sing, I often think of God.
When I see a bee with its tiny wings, I often think of God.

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true,
And with thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for You.

*Cherub Choir
Emily Woelke, conductor*

CALL TO WORSHIP: Matthew 11:28-30.....Hunter Fair (8:15)
Chase Ellingsworth (11:00)

Let us worship the Lord together.

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me,

for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

HYMN OF PRAISE: No. 66 "This Is My Father's World" TERRA BEATA

Words: Maltbie D. Babcock / Music: Franklin L. Sheppard; arr. Edwards Shippen Barnes / Acts 4:24

Cherub and Music Makers Choirs:

This is my Father's world, and to my list'ning ears,
All nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world: I rest me in the thought
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas; His hand the wonders wrought.

♠ Congregation stands and joins:

2. This is my Fa-ther's world, the birds their car - ols raise,
3. This is my Fa-ther's world, O let me ne'er for - get

The image shows musical notation for two parts of the hymn. The top staff is in treble clef and the bottom staff is in bass clef. Both are in 4/4 time and B-flat major. The lyrics are written below the notes.

the morn-ing light, the lil - y white, de - clare their Mak-er's praise.
that though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the Rul-er yet.

This is my Fa - ther's world: he shines in all that's fair; in the
This is my Fa - ther's world: the bat - tle is not done; Je -

rus - tling grass I hear him pass, he speaks to me ev - 'ry - where.
sus who died shall be sat - is - fied, and earth and heav'n be one.

◆INVOCATION

CHORAL MEDITATION: "Jesus to the Wilderness" Michael Bedford

Words and Music: Michael Bedford / Matthew 4:1-11

Jesus to the wilderness slowly made His way.
Jesus to the wilderness went to fast and pray.
Jesus to the wilderness looked to God and said,
"By Your Holy Spirit true may I now be led."

Jesus from the wilderness came forth clean and pure;
Jesus from the wilderness came forth strong and sure.
May we then, like Jesus Christ, tempted though we be,
Giving not to Satan's power, a joyful Easter see.

*Music Makers Choir
Calvin Ellis, conductor*

SACRAMENT OF CHRISTIAN BAPTISM

8:15:

*Wright Tucker Davis, born April 24, 2024, son of Sarah Lawrence and Tucker Davis
Samuel Hunter Davis, born April 24, 2024, son of Sarah Lawrence and Tucker Davis
Nathaniel James Wong, born May 27, 2024, son of Bailie and Stephen Wong*

11:00:

Jane Marie Gillihan, born July 29, 2024, daughter of Hollie and Joel Gillihan

SONG OF ENCOURAGEMENT: "Jesus Loves You"JESUS LOVES ME

**Jesus loves you, this we know, for the Bible tells us so;
Little ones to Him belong, you are weak, but He is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves you! Yes, Jesus loves you!
Yes, Jesus loves you! The Bible tells us so.**

COME TO THE SON

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Almighty and merciful Father,
we are thankful that Your mercy is higher than the heavens,
wider than our wanderings, and deeper than all our sin.
In Your presence we confess our sinfulness,
our shortcomings, and our offenses against You.
You alone know how often we have sinned
in wandering from Your ways and forgetting Your love.
Have mercy on us, O Lord, in Your loving-kindness.
Grant us the grace to die daily to sin
and to rise daily to new life in Christ
who lives and reigns with You,
and in whose strong name we pray.**

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON..... Hebrews 12:2

*...looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith,
who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame,
and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.*

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "Elijah!" Dale Wood

Words: Stephen Lazicki / Music: Dale Wood / I Kings 18:20-40, 19:1-21

I sing you about a contest bold. In far-off lands in ages old,
Of mighty heat and water cold; I sing about Elijah.

O, Elijah! O, Elijah! Mighty man of God.

I saw two altars side by side where two big oxen bled and died,
Where men of Baal danced and cried and waited for his fire.

I tell you of the priests of Baal and how they rave and why they wail;
I say they try and yet they fail for Baal has no fire.

I saw Elijah stand alone and watched him soak his heap of stone;
He drenched his oxen to the bone and asked his God for fire.

And then there fell a flaming heat that charred the wood and fried the meat,
That burned the sacrifice complete, and licked away the water.

I sing about Elijah!

*Lucy McGuirt, soloist
Spirit & Song Choir
Calvin Ellis, director*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN.....Rachel Weatherly
Director of Parents' Day Out

WALK BY THE SPIRIT


◆PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:
For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

◆HYMN OF PREPARATION: "Heal Us".....Indelible Grace

Words: William Cowper / Music: Kevin Twit, Lucas Morton / Luke 6:17-19


Hunter Fair, soloist
Led by Faithline Choir
James Ryan, conductor




Heal us, Em - man - uel, here we are. We long to feel Thy touch.




Deep wound - ed souls to Thee we fly. O, Sav - ior, hear our cry.



1. Our faith is fee - ble, we con - fess. We faint - ly trust Thy
2. Re - mem - ber him who once ap - plied with trem - bling for re -
3. She, too, who touched You in the press, and heal - ing vir - tue
4. Like her, with hopes and fears we come to touch You, if we



word. But will you pit - y us the less?
- lief; "Lord, I be - lieve," with tears he cried.
stole, was an - swered, "Daugh - ter, go in peace;
may. O send us not de - spair - ing home;



Be that far from You, Lord.
"O help my un - be - lief!"
thy faith has made thee whole!"
send none un - healed a - way.

SCRIPTURE LESSON.....John 4:1-30, 39
(page 888 in pew Bible)

The grass withers, the flower fades,
but the Word of our God will stand forever. (Isaiah 40:8)

SERMON: The Living Water.....Barton Kimbro

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

◆HYMN OF COMMITMENT: "Mighty to Save"..... arr. Galbraith

Words: Ben Fielding / Music: Reuben Morgan; arr. Galbraith / Zephaniah 3:17

Led by Faithline and Spirit & Song Choirs



1. Ev - 'ry - one needs com - pas - sion, love that's nev - er fail - ing.
2. So take me as You find me,, all my fears and fail - ures.



Let mer - cy fall on me. Ev - 'ry - one needs for - give - ness, the
Fill my life a - gain. I give my life to fol - low



kind - ness of a Sav - ior, the hope of na - tions.
ev - 'ry - thing I be - lieve in. Now I sur - ren - der.

Chorus



Sav - ior, He can move the moun - tains, my God is might - y to save, He is



might - y to save. For - ev - er, Au - thor of sal - va - tion, He rose and



con - quered the grave, Je - sus con - quered the grave.

Bridge



Shine your light and let the whole world see. We're sing - ing



1. for the glo - ry of the ris - en King, Je - sus King.
2. King.

Sunday Night Worship

6:00 p.m.

✦CALL TO WORSHIP..... Philip James

✦GREAT JEHOVAH.....Travis Greene

Words and Music: Travis Greene / Revelation 4:11; John 1:1-3

**Before there was life, You were seated on high.
From there, You spoke time,
And we were already on Your mind.
Can't explain Your love.**

**Without performance, You called us Your own.
Couldn't afford it,
So with Your blood, You bought our freedom.
Can't explain Your love.**

**Ruler of everything,
Worthy of all that we could bring,
You are great Jehovah, all power is Yours.**

**No song we sing
Can explain Your love of me.
You are Great Jehovah, all power is Yours.**

*Great Jehovah, Ruler of everything,
Our Defender, You are the Most High King,
God, You reign!*

**No words good enough, no song loud enough to
Explain Your love; it amazes us, Jehovah.
No sin strong enough, no weapon against us can
Contain Your love; it's alive in us, Jehovah.**

✦INVOCATION

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GREAT ARE YOU, LORD. All Sons and Daughters

Words and Music: David Leonard, Jason Ingram, Leslie Jordan / Ezekiel 37:4-10

♠ Congregation stands and joins at worship team's direction

You give life, You are love. You bring light to the dark - ness.

You give hope, You re - store ev - 'ry heart that is

bro - ken. And great are You, Lord.

Chorus

It's Your breath in our lungs, so we pour out our praise,

we pour out our praise. It's Your breath in our

lungs, so we pour out our praise to You on - ly.

Bridge

And all the earth will shout Your praise. Our hearts will cry, these

bones will sing, "Great are You, Lord!"

♠ PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

♠ GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SCRIPTURE LESSON.....Matthew 7:24-29
(page 812 in pew Bible)

The grass withers, the flower fades,

but the Word of our God will stand forever. (Isaiah 40:8)

SERMON: Overcoming the Sins That Distort Us: Nominalism..... Josh Preston

I. The Obligation and the Promise

II. The Heart and the Judgment

III. The Author and the Embodiment

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

✦PROFESSION 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.**

PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

AT THE CROSS (ALAS! AND DID MY SAVIOR BLEED) Ralph Hudson

Words: Isaac Watts / Music: Ralph Hudson / Isaiah 53:5



1. A - las! and did my Sav - ior bleed? And did my Sov - reign die?
2. Was it for crimes that I have done he groaned up - on the tree?
3. Well might the sun in dark - ness hide and shut his glo - ries in
4. Thus might I hide my flush - ing face while Cal - v'ry's cross ap - pears,
5. But drops of grief can ne'er re - pay the debt of love I owe.



Would he de - vote that sa - cred head for such a worm as I?
A - maz - ing pit - y! grace un - known! And love be - yond de - gree!
When Christ, the might - y Mak - er, died for man, the crea - ture's sin.
Dis - solve my heart in thank - ful - ness and melt mine eyes to tears.
Here, Lord, I give my - self a - way 'tis all that I can do.



At the cross, at the cross, where I first saw the light, and the



bur - den of my heart rolled a - way. It was there by faith



I re - ceived my sight, and now I am hap - py all the day!

◆HYMN OF THANKSGIVING: GOODNESS OF GOD CeCe Winans

Words and Music: Ed Cash, Ben Fielding, Jason Ingram, Brian Johnson, Jenn Johnson; arr. Dustin Loehrs / Psalms 103:8



1. I love You, Lord. Oh, your mer - cy nev - er fails me.
2. I love Your voice. You have led me through the fire



All my days I've been held in Your hands.
in dark - est nights, You are close like no oth - er.



From the mo - ment that I wake up un - til I lay my head,
I've known You as a Fa - ther; I've known You as a friend.

oh I will sing of the good-ness of God.
And I have lived in the good-ness of God.

Chorus

All my life You have been faith - ful.

All my life You have been so, so good.

With ev - 'ry breath that I am a - ble,

oh I will sing of the good-ness of God.

Bridge

Your good - ness is run - ning af - ter, it's run - ning af - ter me.

Your good - ness is run - ning af - ter, it's run - ning af - ter me.

With my life laid down, I'm sur - ren - dered now. I give You ev - 'ry - thing.

Your good - ness is run - ning af - ter, it's run - ning af - ter me.

♠GOSPEL AMEN

♠Indicates congregation standing

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Caring Ministry Update

In the Hospital: (as of 4/2/25)
Ashley West, MD Anderson
David Burch, Opus Rehab

Weekly Prayer Focus

World Missions–Marcelo: Marcelo pastors La Misión Church in Buenos Aires which has four congregations in specific neighborhoods in the city caring for children and the poor, working with university students, and training church planters and pastors. He also is the coordinator of The Faith and Work Initiative and part of City-to-City Network LATAM equipping new church planters in Argentina and Latin America. Marcelo asked for prayer as members are being disciplined, leadership training is provided, and the Alpha program (focusing on evangelism) is operational in all four church plants. He also asked for prayer as he recovers from an Achilles tendon injury, for his family as they minister, and for Vicky as she attends college.

Mission Memphis–Berclair Elementary School: Berclair Elementary School serves over 650 students in Pre-K through 5th grade, offering transformative educational and social services to families. With the support of dedicated community partners, Berclair is committed to creating opportunities and changing lives for students who may otherwise face limited prospects. Please join us in praying for the health, safety, and well-being of both students and staff. Pray that the instruction provided at Berclair is of the highest quality, positively impacting the lives of children and their families. Pray also for the school's leadership team, that they may continue to seek God's guidance and make decisions that uplift and benefit the entire Berclair community.

2PC Ministry–Caring Ministry: The Caring Ministry, led by David Bowen, Donna Sanders, and Kathy Oswalt, asks us to join them in giving thanks to God for the volunteers who deliver sanctuary flowers each month to members who are unable to attend worship. Additionally, please pray for the Widows GriefShare leadership as they prepare for a new group of women, that God would bless them with wisdom and strength as they offer support and guidance. Finally, pray that the Lord would bring widows to this group, where they can find comfort, healing, and encouragement.

Adult Inquirers Class

Interested in learning more about Second or becoming a member? Our next Inquirers class for adults will meet May 2–4. Visit 2pc.org/inquirers to learn more and register online. Contact Britton Laughlin at britton.laughlin@2pc.org or (901) 454-0034 with questions.

An Egg-cellent Way to Help

Consider helping our Children's Ministry prepare for the Egg Hunt on April 19 by donating pre-stuffed plastic eggs with nut-free candy or small toys. The goal is to collect 5,000 eggs by April 13. Collection bins are located outside the nursery and in the C basement.

April Flowers

The flowers in the Sanctuary this month are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of: *Dick Bush* by his family; *Duane Sichveland* by the Likosar and West families; *George Shea Flinn, Sr.* by his sons, George, Fred, and Carl, and their families; *Meredith Fox* by Terri, Roy, Roy III, and Margaux; *Howard Broemmelsick and Judy B. Oakes* by the Oakes family.

Easter

Learn More Online at
2pc.org/easter

*Nursery is available for select services;
see website for more details.*

Palm Sunday: April 13

8:15 & 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary

Holy Week Services & Lunches: April 14-17

Noon Services in the Sanctuary

Lunch in the Fellowship Hall before and after worship

Maundy Thursday Evening: April 17

6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Good Friday: April 18

Noon in the Sanctuary

Egg Hunt: April 19

10:00 a.m. on the Poplar Field

Easter Sunday: April 20

6:30 a.m. at Memphis Botanic Garden

Please bring a chair or blanket for seating.

8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary

No Sunday School or Evening Service

Easter Flower Order Form

I/We wish to contribute \$_____ to the Flower Ministry of Second Presbyterian Church for use in decorating the church on Easter Sunday in memory or honor of loved ones. Please acknowledge the gift (omitting the amount) in the bulletin on Easter Sunday as follows:

Please check **ONLY** one: In Memory of In Honor of In Gratitude for

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April 13 is the deadline for the inclusion of names in the bulletin on April 20, 2025.

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An online order form is available at 2pc.org/flowers.

VBS Registration

Registration for Vacation Bible School, June 2-5 from 9:00-11:45 a.m., is now open! Children who have completed PreK-5th grade are eligible to participate. Adult and teen volunteers are also needed!

Visit 2pc.org/vbs to register children to attend and to sign up to volunteer!

Wednesday Night Meals

Join us from 5:00-6:15 p.m. each Wednesday through April 9 for a fresh-cooked family meal from the 2PC kitchen. An option of a hot meal or salad is available; both with various desserts.

Payment is taken at the door (cash or credit card); \$8 for adults and \$5 for kids.

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