



Resurrection Life: Keeping Time
May 10, 2026
Sixth Sunday of Easter



MEDITATION

[Sabbath] is about withdrawal from the anxiety system of Pharaoh, the refusal to let one's life be defined by production and consumption and the endless pursuit of private well-being. . . . Israel learned at Sinai, and most especially in the fourth commandment on Sabbath, that there is a viable way to organize the neighborhood outside the rat race.

- Walter Brueggemann

Sabbath is not so much about a day off as it is a “day up”—a day to remember that He is God and we are not. Without Sabbath, we forget who we are and lose sight of who He is, leaving us to carry the weight of the world on our shoulders. When there is no Sabbath in our lives, we become intoxicated by the lie that the sum of our lives depends on our effort alone.

We get to the place where we truly believe that the outcome of the Story fully depends on us. But in truth, we are tiny, limited beings. Our biggest and best efforts still accomplish far less than what God can do in us, through us—or without us—in one breath.

- Louis Giglio

When we fight this work-six-days, Sabbath-one-day rhythm, we go against the grain of the universe. And to quote the philosopher H. H. Farmer, “If you go against the grain of the universe, you get splinters.”

I've had people laugh off the call to Sabbath with a terrible cliché: “Yeah, well, the devil never takes a day off.”

Ummm, last time I checked, the devil loses. Plus, he's the devil.

- John Mark Comer

	Psalm	Old Testament	New Testament
Monday, May 11th	Psalm 93	Genesis 9:8-17	Acts 27:39-44
Tuesday the 12th	Psalm 93	Deuteronomy 5:22-33	1 Peter 3:8-12
Wednesday the 13th	Psalm 93	Deuteronomy 31:1-13	Luke 2:25-38
Thursday the 14th	Psalm 93	Psalm 47	Acts 1:1-11, Luke 24:44-53, Ephesians 1:15-23
Friday the 15th	Psalm 93	2 Kings 2:1-12	Ephesians 2:1-7
Saturday the 16th	Psalm 93	2 Kings 2:13-15	John 8:21-30

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WELCOME

Second City Church is a community that exists to worship the Triune God and to celebrate, in word and deed, the Gospel of Jesus Christ in Harrisburg.

Thank you for joining us in worship today. We hope this guide will help you participate in our service. If you have any questions about our worship, faith, or how you can be a part of our mission to serve God and neighbor in Harrisburg, be sure to talk to our pastor.

For Parents:

Children of all ages are welcome to remain with us as we worship. We like the noise; it helps us remember we are alive. The following services are available for you and your children to get the most out of your time of worship:

Infant & Toddler Care

Infant and toddler care is available on the first floor of the east wing of our building. Ask one of our greeters if you need help locating this room. Nursery staff are well-trained, have required background checks, and maintain a safe environment for your child(ren).

Children & Worship

Children & Worship is for children ages preschool through 2nd grade and meets in a worship space below the sanctuary during the sermon. They are dismissed during the announcements and return during the offertory. New families are welcome to tour the space before or after a service if desired.

ADVENT + CHRISTMAS + EPIPHANY + LENT + **EASTER** + PENTECOST + TRINITY

Easter is the greatest festival season of the Christian year. It begins with the feast of the Resurrection of Our Lord (Easter Sunday) and lasts for 50 days. After the long preparation of Lent, and the cold dreary winter months that accompany it, and the somber preparation of Maundy Thursday and Good Friday, Easter Sunday erupts into our hearts and souls as a joyous celebration filled with expectation of Christ's work among us. For 50 days we feast and celebrate Our Lord and his great victory. Easter themes are new life, joy, exuberance, resurrection, hope and love. The liturgical colors for Easter are white and gold.

Please note that our services are live-streamed.



LITURGY OF PREPARATION

Words of Welcome

Call to Worship

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

He has given us new life and hope.

He has raised Jesus from the dead.

God has claimed us as his own.

He has brought us out of darkness.

He has made us light to the world.

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

based on 1 Peter 1:3-5

Gathering Hymn - Jesus What A Friend For Sinners!

Jesus! what a Friend for sinners!
Jesus! Lover of my soul
Friends may fail me, foes assail me
He, my Savior, makes me whole
Hallelujah! what a Savior!
Hallelujah! what a Friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving
He is with me to the end

Jesus! what a Strength in weakness!
Let me hide myself in Him
Tempted, tried, and sometimes failing
He, my Strength, my victory wins
Hallelujah! what a Savior!
Hallelujah! what a Friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving
He is with me to the end

Jesus! what a Help in sorrow!
While the billows o'er me roll
Even when my heart is breaking
He, my Comfort, helps my soul
Hallelujah! what a Savior!
Hallelujah! what a Friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving
He is with me to the end

Jesus! I do now receive Him
More than all in Him I find
He has granted me forgiveness
I am His, and He is mine
Hallelujah! what a Savior!
Hallelujah! what a Friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving
He is with me to the end

Confession Hymn - Kyrie

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God
Have mercy on me a sinner
Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God
Have mercy on me a sinner

Kyrie Eleison, Lord Jesus Christ
Kyrie Eleison, Have mercy on me a sinner
Have mercy on me a sinner

Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins before God and one another.

**Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Words of Forgiveness & Peace

So then, there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God, for whoever has entered God's rest has also rested from his works as God did from his.

Hebrews 4:9-10

In Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven!

Thanks be to God!

Passing of the Peace

[Invitation for congregation to share a sign of peace with one another]

Hymns of Praise and Adoration

Tis So Sweet To Trust In Jesus

'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus
And to take him at his word
Just to rest upon his promise
And to know, "Thus saith the Lord."

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him, how I've proved him o'er and o'er
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesu, O for grace to trust him more

O how sweet to trust in Jesus
Just to trust his cleansing blood
And in simple faith to plunge me
'Neath the healing, cleansing flood

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him, how I've proved him o'er and o'er
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesu, O for grace to trust him more

Yes, 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus
Just from sin and self to cease
Just from Jesus simply taking
Life and rest, and joy and peace

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him, how I've proved him o'er and o'er
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesu, O for grace to trust him more

I'm so glad I learned to trust Thee
Precious Jesus, Savior, friend
And I know that Thou art with me
Wilt be with me to the end

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him, how I've proved him o'er and o'er
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesu, O for grace to trust him more

In The Fields of The Lord

In the fields of the Lord, our work is rest
He is moving in our hands and feet to bless
In the fields of the Lord, in the fields of the Lord
in the fields of the Lord our work is rest

In the vineyards of the Lord our work is light
He is tending every leaf and every vine
In the vineyards of the Lord, in the vineyards of the Lord
In the vineyards of the Lord our work is light

In the garden of the Lord our work is sound
He is weaving every thorn into a crown
In the garden of the Lord, in the garden of the Lord
In the garden of the Lord our work is sound

At the harvest of the Lord the fields are white
He will wipe away the tears from ev'ry eye
At the harvest of the Lord, at the harvest of the Lord
at the harvest of the Lord the fields are white



LITURGY OF THE WORD

Living Our Faith

Blessing Our Children

Jesus called the children to him and said,

Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them,

for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.

Truly I tell you, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.

May Memory Verse

For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is His steadfast love toward those who fear Him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does He remove our transgressions from us.

Psalm 103:11-12

Psalm Reading

Psalm 116:1-7; page 604

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be world without end. Amen. Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Exodus 20:1-11; page 72

The Word of the Lord:

Thanks be to God.

New Testament Reading

Hebrews 4:1-10; page 1189

The Word of the Lord:
Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark:
Glory to you, O Lord!

Mark 2:23-28 - page 996

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ!

Sermon

Pastor Peter Rowan - *Resurrection Life: Keeping Time*

Creed

Let us affirm the faith of the Church:

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by
the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third
day he rose again from the dead; he ascended to heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.**

- *The Apostles' Creed*

Offering of Prayers of the People

Let us pray that the results of Christ's resurrection may be seen throughout the world.

Your Son said, 'Peace be with you'. Bring your peace to the world and to our own country.
Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Your Son appeared to Mary Magdalene when she was weeping. Comfort those who are sad, lonely, or grieving.

Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Your Son met the women and asked them to tell the disciples about his resurrection. Guide Christians everywhere to witness to the resurrection in their lives.

Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Your Son proclaimed himself to the two disciples from the Scriptures and made himself known to them in the breaking of the bread. Reveal him to us and all people through the teaching of your word and the celebration of your holy meal.

Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Your Son strengthened the faith of Thomas by telling him to touch his hands and side. Reassure those who are troubled by doubts, and strengthen their faith in your goodness.

Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Your Son conquered death by his death and won the victory by his resurrection. Be with those who are dying, and lead them to life with you forever.

Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Heavenly Father, grant that all who now celebrate these joyful holy days here on earth may finally praise you forever, with all the angels and saints in heaven. We ask this through your risen Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Offering of Gifts

The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

2 Corinthians 9:6-7



Doxology

*Praise God from Whom all blessings flow, Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*



LITURGY OF THE TABLE

The Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

Invitation

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right for us to give thanks and praise.

Praise God for His Mighty Acts

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. We are bound to praise you chiefly for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was offered for us, and has taken away the sin of the world; who by his death has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again has won for us everlasting life. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

Holy God of power and might
Heaven and earth are full of your glory
Holy God of power and might
Heaven and earth are full of your glory
[Repeat]

Praise for Christ's Sacrifice

Therefore we proclaim our faith as signed and sealed in this sacrament:
Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Calling on the Holy Spirit and Lord's Prayer

We pray in the name of Jesus, who taught us:

**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, the power and the glory, for ever and ever.
Amen.**

Invitation to the Table

The Gifts of God for the People of God!
Therefore let us keep the feast!

Sharing Holy Communion

Second City Church welcomes all baptized Christians who have made a public profession of faith in Jesus Christ in a Christian church to join us in this sacrament. Non-communicants can come forward and ask for a blessing. If you need to receive communion in your seat, ask a fellow worshiper to let the communion servers know. If you are unable to receive wine, you will find a chalice containing non-alcoholic grape juice at the station the pastor is serving. The communion bread is gluten-free.

Closing Prayer

**O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

Benediction

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. Amen.

- *Ephesians 3:20-21*

Closing Hymn - Your Labor Is Not In Vain

Your labor is not in vain, though the ground underneath you is cursed and stained
Your planting and reaping are never the same, but your labor is not in vain

Your labor is not unknown, though the rocks they cry out and the sea it may groan
The place of your toil may not seem like a home, but your labor is not unknown

For I am with you, I am with you
I am with you, I am with you
For I have called you, called you by name
Your labor is not in vain

The vineyards you plant will bear fruit, the fields will sing out and rejoice with the truth
for all that is old will at last be made new, the vineyards you plant will bear fruit

For I am with you, I am with you
I am with you, I am with you
For I have called you, called you by name
Your labor is not in vain

The houses you labored to build, will finally with laughter and joy be filled
The serpent that hurts and destroys shall be killed, and all that is broken be healed

For I am with you, I am with you
I am with you, I am with you
For I have called you, called you by name
Your labor is not in vain

Dismissal

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.

Hallelujah! Amen.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday Picnics Starting After Church Next Sunday, May 17

Our summer picnic tradition resumes next Sunday! Because Mother's Day is today, our May picnic is scheduled for the third Sunday in May on the 17th. The dates for the following months fall on the Second Sunday of each month: June 14, July 12, August 9, and September 13. All picnics will take place after church in the Upper Pavilion at Negley Park, located at 418 Cumberland Road in Lemoyne. We hope to see you there!

Reminders for Election Day, May 19

Tuesday, May 19 is the next primary election, and once again, the church will be serving as a polling place. The county requires all visitors other than voters not to enter the Social Hall but to use alternate doors to enter and exit the building. Thank you for your cooperation.



ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

Your Opinion, Please

Tell the world what you think about Second City Church! We would appreciate your thoughts and feelings. Please post your reviews here: <https://g.page/r/CUcSD7VFzpLoEAl/review>
Your review will show up in our Google business profile. Your review will help us reach into our community.

Altar Flowers

Today's altar flowers are given in loving memory of Ira Roden by his wife Dottie; son Keith and daughter-in-law Beth; and grandson and wife Brian and Skylar Roden.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please continue to pray for:

Dottie Roden
Darwin Leshner
Virginia Anderson
Greg Nies
Sophia James, USAF

Elizabeth James
Christine Zubrod Perrin
Jon Yawger
Donna Weatherly

SOCIAL MEDIA

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Instagram



YouTube



Your contact information

If you are our guest and would like to indicate your presence with us, or if you'd like to make us aware of a change in your contact information, fill out this form and place it in the offering plate.

_____ Visitor
_____ Regular Attendee
_____ Member

Name(s):

Address (please include city and zip):

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Prayer

Requests: _____

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