



Resurrection Life - Sexual Faithfulness
June 7, 2026
Second Sunday of Trinitytide



MEDITATION

Nearly all marriages, even happy ones, are mistakes: in the sense that almost certainly (in a more perfect world, or even with a little more care in this very imperfect one) both partners might be found more suitable mates. But the real soul-mate is the one you are actually married to.

-J.R.R. Tolkien

The monstrosity of sexual intercourse outside of marriage is that those who indulge in it are trying to isolate one kind of union (the sexual) from all the other kinds of union which were intended to go along with it and make up the total union.

-C. S. Lewis, *Mere Christianity*

They have invented a new phrase, a phrase that is a black-and-white contradiction in two words – ‘free love’ – as if a lover ever had been, or ever could be, free. It is the nature of love to bind itself, and the institution of marriage merely paid the average man the compliment of taking him at his word.

- G. K. Chesterton

It is not the lack of respect for the family, it is the idolization of the family that breaks the modern family so easily, making divorce its almost natural shadow. It is the identification of marriage with happiness and the refusal to accept the cross in it. In a Christian marriage, in fact, three are married; and the united loyalty of the two toward the third, who is God, keeps the two in an active unity with each other as well as with God.

- Alexander Schmemmann, *For the Life of the World*

	Psalm	Old Testament	New Testament
Monday, June 8th	Psalm 119:41-48	Genesis 16:1-15	2 Corinthians 6:14-7:2
Tuesday the 9th	Psalm 119:41-48	Genesis 17:1-27	Hebrews 13:1-16
Wednesday the 10th	Psalm 119:41-48	Genesis 18:16-33	Matthew 12:1-8
Thursday the 11th	Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19	Genesis 21:1-7	Hebrews 3:1-6
Friday the 12th	Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19	Genesis 24:1-9	Acts 7:35-43
Saturday the 13th	Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19	Genesis 24:10-52	Mark 7:1-13

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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).

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

Trinity Season, the Time of the Church, or Ordinary Time, is the long season that follows Pentecost and lasts until the beginning of Advent. During this season we celebrate the full revelation of the Triune God, Father, Son and Spirit, the mission of the Church, and the growth of the church through the Spirit's leading. The symbols of the season are any Trinity symbols, images of the Apostles or Saints, symbols of the church, or symbols of Christ. The liturgical color for the season is green, the color of growth and new life.

Please note that our services are live-streamed



LITURGY OF PREPARATION

Words of Welcome

Call to Worship

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!

Serve the Lord with gladness!

Come into his presence with singing!

Know that the Lord, he is God!

It is he who made us, and we are his;

we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving,

and his courts with praise!

Give thanks to him; bless his name!

Psalm 100

Gathering Hymn - Immortal, Invisible God Only Wise

Immortal invisible God only wise
In light inaccessible
Hid from our eyes
Most blessed most glorious
The Ancient of Days
Almighty victorious
Thy great name we praise

Unresting unhasting
And silent as light
Nor wanting nor wasting
Thou rulest in might
Thy justice like mountains
High soaring above
Thy clouds which are fountains
Of goodness and love

To all life Thou givest
To both great and small
In all life Thou livest
The true life of all
We blossom and flourish
As leaves on the tree
And wither and perish
But naught changeth Thee

Great Father of glory
Pure Father of light
Thine angels adore thee
All veiling their sight
All praise we would render
O help us to see
'Tis only the splendor
Of light hideth Thee

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.

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Words of Forgiveness & Peace

- ¹⁷ The Lord your God is in your midst,
a mighty one who will save;
he will rejoice over you with gladness;
he will quiet you by his love;
he will exult over you with loud singing.

Zephaniah 3:17

Passing of the Peace

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

Hymns of Praise and Adoration

Let This Heart Not Wander

Let my eyes see nothing
Let my eyes see nothing
But Your glory, my Lord
Let my eyes see nothing
Let my eyes see nothing
But Your glory, my Lord

Let this heart not wander
Let this heart not wander
From Your mercy, my Lord
Let this heart not wander
Let this heart not wander
From Your mercy, my Lord

May I always linger
May I always linger
In Your presence, my Lord
May I always linger
May I always linger
In Your presence, my Lord

I will ever praise You
I will ever praise You
You are worthy, my Lord
I will ever praise You
I will ever praise You
You are worthy, my Lord

Love Lifted Me

Love lifted me! Love lifted me!
When nothing else could help, Love lifted me
Love lifted me! Love lifted me!
When nothing else could help, Love lifted me

I was sinking deep in sin, Far from the peaceful shore
Very deeply stained within, sinking to rise no more
But the Master of the sea Heard my despairing cry
From the waters lifted me, Now safe am I

Love lifted me! Love lifted me!
When nothing else could help, Love lifted me
Love lifted me! Love lifted me!
When nothing else could help, Love lifted me

All my heart to him I give, Ever to him I'll cling
In his blessed presence live, Ever his praises sing
Love so mighty and so true Merits my soul's best songs
Faithful, loving service, too, To him belongs

Love lifted me! Love lifted me!
When nothing else could help, Love lifted me
Love lifted me! Love lifted me!
When nothing else could help, Love lifted me

Souls in danger, look above, Jesus completely saves
He will lift you by his love Out of the angry waves
He's the Master of the sea, Billows his will obey
He your Savior wants to be, Be saved today

Love lifted me! Love lifted me!
When nothing else could help, Love lifted me
Love lifted me! Love lifted me!
When nothing else could help, Love lifted me



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.

June Memory Verse

“With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible.”

Matthew 19:26b

Psalm Reading

Psalm 51:1-12; page 560

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 20:1-14; page 72

The Word of the Lord:

Thanks be to God.

New Testament Reading

1 Corinthians 6:12-20; page 1134

The Word of the Lord:

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew:

Glory to you, O Lord!

Matthew 5:27-30; page 963

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ!

Sermon

Pastor Peter Rowan - *Resurrection Life - Sexual Faithfulness*

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

We praise and thank you, O Lord, that you have fed us with your Word. Grateful for your gifts and mindful of the communion of your saints, we offer to you our prayers for all people.

God of compassion, we remember before you the poor and the afflicted, the sick and the dying, prisoners and all who are lonely, the victims of war, injustice, and inhumanity, and all others who suffer from whatever their sufferings may be called. [*Silence*]

O Lord of providence holding the destiny of the nations in your hand, we pray for our country. Inspire the hearts and minds of our leaders that they, together with all our nation, may first seek your kingdom and righteousness so that order, liberty, and peace may dwell with your people. [*Silence*]

O God the Creator, we pray for all nations and peoples.
Take away the mistrust and lack of understanding that divide your creatures. [*Silence*]

O Savior God, look upon your church in its struggle upon the earth.
Have mercy on its weakness, bring to an end its unhappy divisions, and scatter its fears.
Look also upon the ministry of your church. Increase its courage, strengthen its faith, and inspire its witness to all people, even to the ends of the earth. [*Silence*]

Author of grace and God of love, send your Holy Spirit's blessing to your children here present. Keep our hearts and thoughts in Jesus Christ, your Son, our only Savior. **Amen.**

Offering of Gifts

For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich.

2 Corinthians 8:9

Friends and members of Second City Church support the extension of God's Kingdom with gifts of bread, wine, talents and resources. Tithes and offerings may be placed in the boxes on the wall as you leave, or can be made electronically. Instructions for setting up online giving are available at the donation boxes.



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

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. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is your living Word from before time and for all ages; by him you created all things, and by him you make all things new. 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

Leader: Holy holy holy Lord

People: Holy holy holy Lord

Leader: God of power and might

People: God of power and might

Leader: Heaven and earth are full of your glory

People: Heaven and earth are full of your glory

Leader: Hosanna in the highest

People: Hosanna in the highest

Leader: Blessed is he who comes

People: Blessed is he who comes

Leader: In the name of the Lord

People: In the name of the Lord

Leader: Hosanna in the highest

People: Hosanna in the highest

(Together) Hosanna in the highest

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

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. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him by faith, with thanksgiving.

Sharing Holy Communion

Closing Prayer

Lord, may your glorious Majesty surround us, the blessed Trinity protect us, and the eternal Godhead preserve us. Your unlimited mercy support us; your loving kindness encompass us; your favor cause us to rejoice. The eternal truth of God be our delight, the saving knowledge of Christ strengthen us, and the all-prevailing grace of God be sufficient for us. May the grace of God the Father lead us, the wisdom of God the Son be our consolation, and the power of the Holy Spirit enlighten us.

Lord our Creator, stand by us; our Redeemer, save us; and our Comforter, dwell with us. We pray all of this in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Benediction

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

- 2 Corinthians 13:14

Closing Hymn - Bind Us Together

Bind us together within your love, bind us together within your holy love
As we shared in our sorrows, we will share in your joy
Bind us together in love

Bind us together and be our peace, bind us together and be our perfect peace
Though the tempest may rage, we will rest in your joy
Bind us together in peace

Bind us together and give us hope, bind us together and give us endless hope
Though our tears were our bread, we will feast in your joy
Bind us together in hope

Bind us together and make us one, bind us together and make us truly one
In your love, in your peace, in your hope, in your joy
Bind us together as one
In your love, in your peace, in your hope, in your joy
Bind us together as one

Dismissal

Let us go forth to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God!



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Negley Park Picnic Next Sunday, June 14 After Church

Join us next Sunday after worship for our June picnic! Please bring a side dish or a dessert. The dates for the following months fall on the second Sunday of each month: 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!

Vacation Bible School June 17-19 from 6-8 pm

Emily Kulp is coordinating our VBS program this year! We hope your children can join us, as well as kids from Logos, our neighborhood, and beyond. A wide range of volunteer opportunities exist, both during the program hours as well as other times, at many levels of involvement. Emily encourages anyone interesting in learning more about ways to help to contact her at emilygkulp@gmail.com or 856-857-7339. Thanks!



ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

Next Senior Saints Meeting Wednesday, June 17

The next Senior Saints gathering takes place on Wednesday, June 17. We will meet in the Social Hall. The exact meeting time will be provided closer to the time, but it will be during the lunch hour. Plan to join us if you can!

Seeking New Church Administrator

We are beginning the process of looking for a new administrator. Our beloved Sylvia Olimpi will soon be moving to be close to her parents. If you or anyone you know would be interested in this position, we would like to first look within our known communities before opening the position up more broadly. Please contact Pastor Peter if you are interested or know of others who might be interested.

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

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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.

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