

EASTER

SUNDAY MORNING

April 8, 2012

ORDER FOR THE
PUBLIC WORSHIP *of* GOD



Second
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

He Is Risen!

ORCHESTRAL PRELUDE: "Allegro from Brandenburg Concerto #1" J.S. Bach

✦CALL TO WORSHIP D. Todd Erickson

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

It is meet and right so to do.

For Christ is risen!

He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

✦PROCESSIONAL HYMN: No. 277 "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" EASTER HYMN

✦FIRST GOSPEL LESSON: John 20:1-10 T. Barton Kimbro
(page 906 in pew Bible)

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

✦CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE EASTER HYMN

**Sing we to our God above Alleluia!
Praise eternal as His love; Alleluia!
Praise Him, all ye heav'nly host, Alleluia!
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!**

✦PRAYER OF ADORATION Andrew P. Wells

CHORAL PRAISE: "He Is Risen" arr. Mack Wilberg

"He is risen, He is risen!"
Tell it out with joyful voice.
He has burst His three day prison;
Let the whole wide earth rejoice.
Death is conquered, man is free,
Christ has won the victory.

Come, with high and holy singing,
Chant our Lord's triumphant song!
Not one darksome cloud is dimming.
Yonder glorious morning ray,
Breaking over the purple east,
Symbol of our Easter feast.

He is risen, He is risen!
He hath opened Heaven's gate:
We are free from sin's dark prison,
Risen to a holier state;
And a brighter Easter beam
On our longing eyes shall stream. Amen.

*The Chancel Choir
Gabriel C. Statom, Director of Music*

We Have Seen Him!

SECOND GOSPEL LESSON: John 20:11-18 Timothy L. Russell
(page 906 in pew Bible)

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Thanks be to God.

CHORAL RESPONSE: "Te Deum"Gustav Holst

We praise Thee, O God: we acknowledge Thee to be the Lord.
All the earth doth worship Thee: the Father everlasting.
To Thee all Angels cry aloud: the Heav'ns, and all the Pow'rs therein.
To Thee Cherubim and Seraphim: continually do cry,
Holy, Holy, Holy: Lord God of Sabaoth;
Heaven and earth are full of the majesty of Thy glory.

The glorious company of the Apostles: praise Thee.
The goodly fellowship of the prophets: praise Thee.
The noble army of Martyrs: praise Thee.
The holy Church throughout all the world doth acknowledge Thee;
The Father of an infinite Majesty;
Thine honorable, true and only Son;
Also the Holy Ghost the Comforter.
Thou art the King of Glory, O Christ.
Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father.

When Thou tookest upon Thee to deliver man
Thou didst not abhor the Virgin's womb.
When Thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death,
Thou didst open the Kingdom of Heaven to all believers.
Thou sittest at the right hand of God in the glory of the Father.
We believe that Thou shalt come to be our judge.
We therefore pray Thee, help Thy servants,
Whom Thou hast redeemed with Thy precious blood.
Make them to be numbered with Thy Saints in glory everlasting.

O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine heritage.
Govern them and lift them up forever.
Day by day we magnify Thee;
And we worship Thy Name ever world without end.
Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this day without sin.
O Lord, have mercy upon us; have mercy upon us.
O Lord, let Thy mercy lighten upon us as our trust is in Thee.
O Lord, in Thee have I trusted; let me never be confounded.

THIRD GOSPEL LESSON: John 20:19-23Michael R. Gatliff
(page 906 in pew Bible)

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◆HYMN OF PRAISE: "In Christ Alone"Stuart Townend/Keith Getty

**In Christ alone my hope is found,
He is my light, my strength, my song;
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My Comforter, my All in All,
Here in the love of Christ I stand.**

**In Christ alone! Who took on flesh,
Fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones He came to save:**

Till on that cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied—
For every sin on Him was laid;
Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain:
Then bursting forth in glorious Day,
Up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory,
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
For I am His and He is mine—
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death,
This is the power of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand;
Till He returns or calls me home,
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

No power of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand;
Till He returns or calls me home,
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

We Adore Him!

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS Dan G. Burns

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "My Eternal King" Jane Marshall

My God, I love Thee; not just for the hope of heaven there by,
Nor just because who love Thee not must die eternally.

Thou, O my Jesus, Thou didst me upon the cross embrace;
For me didst bear the nails and spear, and manifold disgrace;

Why, then why, O blessed Jesus Christ, should I not love Thee well?
Not just the hope of winning heaven, of escaping hell,

Not just the hope of gaining aught, or seeking a reward;
But as Thy self hast loved me, O ever loving Lord!

Even so I love Thee, and will love, and in Thy praise will sing;
Gladly because Thou art my God, and my Eternal King.

✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE LLANFAIR

**Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia!
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
Who did once upon the cross Alleluia!
Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!**

**But the pains which He endured, Alleluia!
Our salvation have procured; Alleluia!
Now above the sky He's King, Alleluia!
Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!**

✦ PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION Darrin S. Anthony

✦ GREETINGS

We Believe!

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN..... A. Mitchell Moore

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER..... Ronald G. Sadlow

**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.**

FOURTH GOSPEL READING: John 20:24-31 Michael G. Stokke
(page 907 in pew Bible)

All flesh is grass, and all its beauty is like the flower of the field;

**The grass withers, the flower fades,
but the Word of our God will stand forever. Amen.** (Isaiah 40:6b, 8)

SERMON *I Doubt It* Sanders L. Willson

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

✦HYMN OF EXALTATION: No. 295 "Crown Him with Many Crowns" ... DIADEMATA

✦BENEDICTION

✦CHORAL PRAISE: "Hallelujah Chorus"G.F. Handel
Text from Revelation 11:15 and 19:6, 16

Hallelujah! for the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth.

The kingdom of this world is become
The kingdom of our Lord, and of His Christ;
And He shall reign for ever and ever.

King of kings, and Lord of lords.

Hallelujah!

ORGAN POSTLUDE: "Toccatina from Symphony V"C.M. Widor

✦Indicates congregation standing CCLI License #252778

We consider it a privilege to have our children in worship with us. If your small children become restless and vocal, we invite you to the children's room especially designed for them at the rear of the Sanctuary. They are also welcome in the nursery. Older children should also be encouraged to come to church prepared to stay in their pew throughout the service.

Welcome!

If you are visiting with us today, we welcome you to Second Presbyterian. Please sign our Friendship Pad, which will be passed during the Greetings time of the service.

If you would like more information about Second Presbyterian or the importance of Easter, we have information and a gift for you at the Welcome Desk just west of the Sanctuary following the service.

Note: Congregational Communities and Sunday Night Worship will not meet today.

Next Sunday's Sermon

Next Sunday, Sandy Willson will share with us the secret of developing a deep relationship with God. We invite you to worship with us at 8:15 or 11:00 a.m.