



# Sunday Night Worship

Second Presbyterian Church · December 29, 2019 · 6:00 p.m.

## Prelude

✦ **Call to Worship** .....David Bowen  
*Assistant Pastor, Middle Adults*

## ✦ **Again I Say, Rejoice!**

Rejoice in the Lord always, and again I say,  
Again I say rejoice in the Lord always,  
And again I say, and again I say, rejoice!

Come bless the Lord, come bless the Lord,  
Draw near to worship Christ the Lord.  
And bless His name, His holy name, declaring He is good!

O that men would praise Him, O that men would praise Him.

O that men would praise His name, praise His name to the ends of the earth.

*Words: Israel Houghton / Music: Aaron Lindsey; arr. Galbraith / Philippians 4:4*

## ✦ **Who You Say I Am**

Who am I that the highest King would welcome me?  
I was lost, but He brought me in – O, His love for me!  
O, His love for me!

*Who the Son sets free, O is free indeed,  
I'm a child of God, yes, I am!*

Free at last, He has ransomed me, His grace runs deep.  
While I was a slave to sin, Jesus died for me.  
Yes, He died for me!

In my Father's house, there's a place for me.  
I'm a child of God, yes, I am!

I am chosen, not forsaken, I am who You say I am!  
You are for me, not against me, I am who You say I am!

*Words and Music: Ben Fielding and Reuben Morgan; arr. Galbraith / Ephesians 1:4*

✦ **Invocation** (please raise hands)

Worship of God with the Gifts of God

Living Hope

How great the chasm that lay between us,  
How high the mountain I could not climb!  
In desperation, I turned to heaven  
And spoke Your name into the night.  
Then through the darkness, Your loving-kindness  
Tore through the shadows of my soul.  
The work is finished, the end is written,  
Jesus Christ, my living hope.

Who could imagine so great a mercy?  
What heart could fathom such boundless grace?  
The God of ages stepped down from glory  
To wear my sin and bear my shame.  
The cross has spoken, I am forgiven.  
The King of kings calls me His own.  
Beautiful Savior, I'm Yours forever,  
Jesus Christ, my living hope.

*Hallelujah, praise the One who set me free!  
Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me!  
You have broken every chain; there's salvation in Your name,  
Jesus Christ, my living hope.*

Then came the morning that sealed the promise;  
Your buried body began to breathe.  
Out of the silence, the Roaring Lion  
Declared the grave has no claim on me!

*Words and Music: Phil Wickham and Brian Mark Johnson / Romans 6:6-7*

✦Prayer of Thanksgiving

✦Greetings and Announcements

Scripture Reading .....Romans 8:14-17  
*(page 944 in the pew Bible)*

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

Sermon: Children of God .....Todd Erickson  
*Pastoral Executive*

Westminster Shorter Catechism Question 34

What is adoption?  
**Adoption is the act of God's free grace  
by which we become His sons  
with all the rights and privileges of being His.**

Prayer of Commitment

## Invitation to the Table

*This is the Lord's table. All who profess their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ are invited to receive communion. If this is not your faith, we would still encourage you to walk forward, knowing that no one will make you take the elements. Any of our elders or pastors will be happy to talk to you about questions or doubts you have about faith in Christ. We encourage children not to take communion until they have joined the church but do welcome them to come forward with their parents to receive a blessing. If you are unable to come forward, please raise your hand and an elder will serve you in your seat. All communion wafers are gluten free.*

## Prayers of Confession

## Assurance of Divine Pardon

## Words of Institution

## Prayer of Consecration

## Songs for the Table

### Take My Life and Let It Be

Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to Thee.  
Take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise,  
Let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands, and let them move at the impulse of thy love.  
Take my feet, and let them be swift and beautiful for Thee,  
Swift and beautiful for Thee.

Take my voice, and let me sing, always, only, for my King.  
Take my lips, and let them be filled with messages from Thee,  
Filled with messages from Thee.

Take my silver and my gold; not a mite would I withhold  
Take my intellect, and use ev'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose,  
Ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose.

Take my will, and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.  
Take my heart, it is Thine own; it shall be Thy royal throne  
It shall be Thy royal throne.

Take my love; my Lord, I pour at Thy feet its treasure store.  
Take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for Thee,  
Ever, only, all for Thee.

*Words: Frances Havergal / Music: Henri Malan / Romans 6:19*

## In Christ Alone

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 ev'ry 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 pow'r of Christ in me;  
From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.  
No pow'r 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.

*Words and Music: Keith Getty, Stuart Townend*

✦ **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

✦ **Benediction** *(please raise hands)*

✦ **Amen Chorus**

✦ *Indicates standing*

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*Elders are available following the service for prayer and anointing with oil.*



**Happy Anniversary, Second!**

On a chilly Saturday evening, December 28, 1844, a group gathered in a brick warehouse on Front Street to organize Second Presbyterian Church. The next morning, 21 members worshiped together and celebrated communion.

Today marks the 175th anniversary of that first worship service on the river bluff. Let us praise the Lord for His faithfulness to Second!

**Gospel  
Priorities**  
January 2020

**January 5**  
Russ Whitfield

**January 12**  
Kenneth McHeard

**January 19**  
Michael Aitcheson

**January 26**  
Michael Davis