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Sunday Night Worship

June 5, 2016

Welcome to Second Presbyterian Church.
May our worship open our hearts to God's love, our eyes to God's beauty,
our minds to God's truth, and our will to God's service.

SONGS *of* ASCENT

Psalms 120-134

New Sermon Series

In the middle of the Bible's hymnbook is a special grouping of Psalms called the Psalms of Ascent. These were sung by pilgrims three times a year as they journeyed to Jerusalem to worship the Lord at His temple for the appointed worship festivals and feasts.

Our summer sermon series focuses on this "Hitchhiker's Guide for Spiritual Survival." We will discover answers to the harsh realities we encounter along life's journey such as: slander, spiritual depression, physical and spiritual danger, suffering, domestic pressures, oppression, guilt, pride, and dissension.

God Calls Us Into His Presence and Receives Our Praises

✦ "Open the Eyes of My Heart" Paul Baloche

**Open the eyes of my heart, Lord;
Open the eyes of my heart –
I want to see You; I want to see You.**

**To see You high and lifted up,
Shining in the light of Your glory –
Pour out Your power and love
As we sing holy, holy, holy.**

**Holy, holy, holy
We cry holy, holy, holy.
You are holy, holy, holy –
I want to see You.**

✦ CALL TO WORSHIP Dan Burns

Associate Pastor

♣ "Psalm 121" Darwin Jordan

**I will lift up my eye to the mountains;
From whence shall my help come?
My help comes from the Lord,
Who made heaven and earth.**

**He will not allow your foot to slip;
He Who keeps you will not slumber.
Behold, He Who keeps Israel,
Will neither slumber nor sleep.**

**The Lord is your keeper,
The Lord is your shade on your right hand.
The sun will not smite you by day,
Nor the moon by night.**

**The Lord will guard you from all evil;
He will keep your soul.
The Lord will guard your going out
And your coming in
From this time forth and forever.**

**I will lift up my eye to the mountains;
From whence shall my help come?
My help comes from the Lord.**

♣ PRAYER OF ADORATION

God Calls Us to Offer Ourselves to Him

WORSHIP OF GOD WITH THE GIFTS OF GOD

"Our God" Chris Tomlin

**Water You turned into wine;
Open the eyes of the blind –
There's no one like You,
None like You.**

**Into the darkness You shine;
Out of the ashes we rise –
There's no one like You,
None like You.**

Chorus:

***Our God is greater, our God is stronger
God, You are higher than any other.
Our God is Healer, awesome in power
Our God, our God.***

**And if our God is for us, then who could ever stop us,
And if our God is with us, then what could stand against?
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What could stand against?**

Chorus

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Chorus

✦PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

✦GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

We ask that everyone, including members and visitors, write their names, addresses, and other information in the spaces provided on the attendance pad as it is passed down the row.

God Speaks to Us His Word

SCRIPTURE READING..... Psalm 121
(page 516 in the church Bible)

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Where Do You Go for Help?

Todd Erickson
Associate Pastor
Pastoral Executive

God Invites Us to His Table

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

All those who have publicly professed their faith and joined a Christian church as a communing member are warmly welcomed to receive communion tonight. Non-communing worshipers are encouraged to contemplate the love of Jesus Christ during this time.

We encourage children not to take communion until they have joined the church as communicant members. We do, however, encourage non-communing children to come forward with their parents to receive a blessing. Those wishing to be served communion together as a group or family, please stand together in front of the two serving elders before taking the elements.

Gluten-free bread is offered in the center aisle.

PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

SONGS FOR THE TABLE

"By Thy Mercy"Greg Thompson

**Jesus, Lord of life and glory, bend from heaven Thy gracious ear;
While our waiting souls adore Thee, Friend of helpless sinners, hear:**

**From the depth of nature's blindness, from the hardening power of sin,
From all malice and unkindness, from the pride that lurks within,**

Chorus:

By Thy mercy, O deliver us, good Lord.

By Thy mercy, O deliver us, good Lord, good Lord.

**When temptation sorely presses, in the day of Satan's power,
In our times of deep distresses, in each dark and trying hour,**

**When the world around is smiling, in the time of wealth and ease,
Earthly joys our hearts beguiling, in the day of health and peace.**

Chorus

**In the weary hours of sickness, in the times of grief and pain,
When we feel our mortal weakness, when all human help is vain,**

**In the solemn hour of dying, in the awful judgment day,
May our souls, on Thee relying, find Thee still our Rock and Stay.**

Chorus

"Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting" arr. David Hampton

**Jesus, I am resting, resting in the joy of what Thou art;
I am finding out the greatness of Thy loving heart,
Thou hast bid me gaze upon Thee, as Thy beauty fills my soul,
For by Thy transforming power, Thou hast made me whole.**

Chorus:

*Jesus, I am resting, resting in the joy of what Thou art;
I am finding out the greatness of Thy loving heart.*

**O how great Thy loving kindness, vaster, broader than the sea!
O how marvelous Thy goodness lavished all on me!
Yes, I rest in Thee, Beloved, know what wealth of grace is Thine,
Know Thy certainty of promise and have made it mine.**

Chorus

**Simply trusting Thee, Lord Jesus, I behold Thee as Thou art,
And Thy love, so pure, so changeless, satisfies my heart;
Satisfies its deepest longings, meets, supplies its ev'ry need,
Compasseth me round with blessings: Thine is love indeed.**

Chorus

**Ever lift Thy face upon me as I work and wait for Thee;
Resting 'neath Thy smile, Lord Jesus, earth's dark shadows flee.
Brightness of my Father's glory, sunshine of my Father's face,
Keep me ever trusting, resting, fill me with Thy grace.**

Chorus

"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" Chris Tomlin, Isaac Watts

**When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.**

**See from His head, His hands, His feet,
Sorrow and blood flow mingled down:
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?**

Chorus:

*O the wonderful cross, O the wonderful cross
Bids me come and die and find that I may truly live.
O the wonderful cross, O the wonderful cross
All who gather here, by grace draw near
And bless Your name.*

Were the whole realm of Nature mine,
That were an offering far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all!

Chorus

Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all!

God Blesses Us and Sends Us Out to Serve

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

✦ BENEDICTION

✦ *Indicates congregation standing*

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Michael Parsons, J Hickman, Kurt Ruleman, Amanda Kull,
Liz Parsons, Mary Grace Walters, Terri Theil

Getting Connected at Second

To find out more about who we are and how you can become part of our church community, contact Todd Erickson at (901) 531-8895 or todd.erickson@2pc.org.

Pastor Search Recommendations

The Pastor Search Committee is inviting recommendations for our growing list of potential candidates to be considered to serve as our next Senior Pastor. Members wishing to submit recommendations may do so by sending an email to pastorsearch@2pc.org or by filling out a card available at the main reception desk in the B building. Please provide the name, current church or organization, and any brief information as to why they are being recommended for consideration as a candidate. The Committee would appreciate receiving suggestions by Sunday, June 19.



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