



Worship as Call and Response
May 15, 2022
The Fifth Sunday of Easter



MEDITATION

You cannot deal with a perfect, all-loving, all-forgiving, all-understanding God in heaven, if you cannot deal with a less-than-perfect, less-than-forgiving, and less-than-understanding community here on earth. You cannot pretend to be dealing with an invisible God if you refuse to deal with a visible family. Concrete community is a nonnegotiable element within the spiritual quest because, precisely, we are Christians not simply theists. God is not just in heaven, God is also on earth. Part of the very essence of Christianity is to be together in a concrete community, with all the real human faults that are there and the tensions that this will bring.

- Ronald Rolheiser, "The Holy Longing"

The Church is not a helpful thing for my individual spiritual journey. The Church is the journey.

- Tod Bolsinger, *It Takes a Church to Raise a Christian*

Readings for the coming week

These readings are provided as a personal, family, or group worship resource. Use them along with your worship guide as resources for readings, prayers and hymns. Set in the Revised Common Lectionary (RCL), a schedule of daily Bible readings in accord with the Church year, these scripture readings are designed around a three-year cycle that will take you through the Old Testament once, the New Testament twice, and the Psalms frequently.

	Psalm	Old Testament	New Testament
Monday the 16th	Psalm 100	1 Samuel 20:1-23	Acts 11:19-26
Tuesday the 17th	Psalm 100	2 Samuel 1:4-27	Acts 11:27-30
Wednesday the 18th	Psalm 100	Leviticus 19:9-18	Luke 10:25-28
Thursday the 19th	Psalm 67	Proverbs 2:1-5	Acts 15:36-41
Friday, April 20th	Psalm 67	Proverbs 2:1-5	Acts 16:1-8
Saturday the 21st	Psalm 67	Proverbs 2:9-15	Luke 19:1-10

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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. If you would like to indicate your presence to us, please fill out the form on the back page of this bulletin and place it in the offering plate.

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 undergone required background checks, and will maintain a safe environment for your child(ren). Ask the nursery workers for a copy of our policies for more information.

Children & Worship

Children & Worship is for children ages preschool through 2nd grade and meets in a worship space below the sanctuary during the sermon. This time is designed to prepare them for more fully participating in our liturgy when they are older. 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.



LITURGY OF PREPARATION

Words of Welcome

Call to Worship

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Philippians 1:2

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!

For the Lord is good;

his steadfast love endures forever,

and his faithfulness to all generations.

Psalm 100

Gathering Hymn -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."

Refrain
Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him
How I've proved him o'er and o'er
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus
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
[Refrain]

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
[Refrain]

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
[Refrain]

Greeting

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

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Confession Hymn -Lord Have Mercy

The musical notation is written on two staves in a 6/8 time signature with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes, with some notes beamed together. The lyrics are placed below the notes.

Lord have mer-cy, Christ have mer-cy,
5 Lord have mer-cy, on my soul.

Confession of Sin

**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

Remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ.

Ephesians 2:12-13

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

Glory Be To God

Glory be to God
Father, Son and Holy Spirit
Forever more

In Tenderness

In tenderness he sought me
Weary and sick with sin
And on His shoulders brought me
Back to His fold again
While angels in His presence sang
Until the courts of heaven rang

(Refrain)

Oh, the love that sought me!
Oh, the blood that bought me!
Oh, the grace that brought me to the fold of God
Grace that brought me to the fold of God

He died for me while I was sinning
Needy and poor and blind
He whispered to assure me
"I've found thee, thou art Mine"
I never heard a sweeter voice
It made my aching heart rejoice

(Refrain)

Upon His grace I'll daily ponder
And sing anew His praise
With all adoring wonder
His blessings I retrace
It seems as if eternal days
Are far too short to sing His praise

(Refrain x2)

10,000 Reasons (Bless The Lord)

Bless the Lord oh my soul
Oh my soul
Worship His Holy name
Sing like never before
Oh my soul
I'll worship Your Holy name

The sun comes up
It's a new day dawning
It's time to sing Your song again
Whatever may pass
And whatever lies before me
Let me be singing
When the evening comes

Bless the Lord oh my soul
Oh my soul
Worship His Holy name
Sing like never before
Oh my soul
I'll worship Your Holy name

You're rich in love
And You're slow to anger
Your name is great
And Your heart is kind

For all Your goodness
I will keep on singing
Ten thousand reasons
For my heart to find

Bless the Lord oh my soul
Oh my soul
Worship His Holy name
Sing like never before
Oh my soul
I'll worship Your Holy name
Bless You Lord

And on that day
When my strength is failing
The end draws near
And my time has come
Still my soul will
Sing Your praise unending
Ten thousand years
And then forevermore

Bless the Lord oh my soul
Oh my soul
Worship His Holy name
Sing like never before
Oh my soul
I'll worship Your Holy name



LITURGY OF THE WORD

Living Our Faith

Psalm Reading

Psalm 96:1-9

- Oh sing to the Lord a new song;
sing to the Lord, all the earth!
- 2 Sing to the Lord, bless his name;
tell of his salvation from day to day.
- 3 Declare his glory among the nations,
his marvelous works among all the peoples!
- 4 For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised;
he is to be feared above all gods.
- 5 For all the gods of the peoples are worthless idols,
but the Lord made the heavens.
- 6 Splendor and majesty are before him;
strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.
- 7 Ascribe to the Lord, O families of the peoples,
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength!
- 8 Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name;
bring an offering, and come into his courts!
- 9 Worship the Lord in the splendor of holiness;
tremble before him, all the earth!

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

Genesis 3:8-10,

⁸ And they heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden. ⁹ But the Lord God called to the man and said to him, “Where are you?” ¹⁰ And he said, “I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself.”

The Word of the Lord:

Thanks be to God.

New Testament Reading

Revelation 22:17

¹⁷ The Spirit and the Bride say, “Come.” And let the one who hears say, “Come.” And let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who desires take the water of life without price.

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 11:25-30

²⁵ At that time Jesus declared, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children; ²⁶ yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. ²⁷ All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. ²⁸ Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰ For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ!

Sermon

Pastor Peter Rowan - *Worship as Call and Response*

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

God of life, we rejoice in the resurrection of your Son, his defeat over death, and his gift of new life. We praise you for the reflections of that new life in creation, in the world about us here in Harrisburg and beyond, in the life of your church both here and abroad, in the community of Second City Church. In the new life that is brought about in the resurrected Christ, we bring to you our praises

To you, as the giver of new life and the renewer of our hope, we bring before you our prayer for creation and its care, for the needs of the nations of the world, for our own leaders in our land, for the community of Harrisburg and the the community of Second City Church and the church of our city. We bring to you our prayers believing that you are the God who is there and loves when your people come before you in faith

We pray all this in the name of the Lord and giver of life, Jesus. **Amen.**

Offering of Gifts

Friends and members of Second City Church support the extension of God's Kingdom with gifts of bread, wine, talents and resources. Guests are not expected to contribute. Tithes and offerings may be placed in the offering plates, 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 host
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost*



LITURGY OF THE TABLE

The Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

Invitation

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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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.

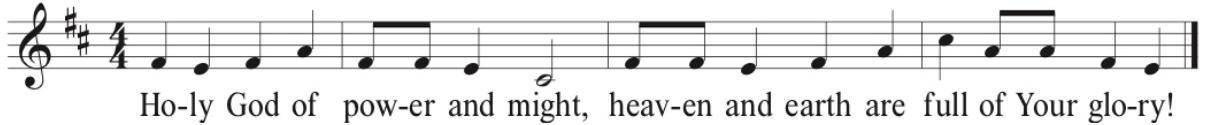
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right for us to give thanks and praise.

Praise God for His Mighty Acts

With joy we praise you, gracious God, for you have created heaven and earth, made us in your image, and kept covenant with us - even when we fell into sin. We give you thanks for Jesus Christ, our Lord, who was exalted as King of the universe, that at the name of Jesus every knee shall bow. Therefore we join our voices with all the saints and angels and the whole creation to proclaim the glory of your name.

Sanctus



Praise for Christ's Sacrifice

Therefore we proclaim our faith as signed and sealed in this sacrament.
Christ has died, Christ has 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.
Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you
and feed on him by faith, with thanksgiving.

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

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; Through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

Benediction

Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

- Hebrews 13:20-21

Closing Hymn - *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
Every power as Thou shalt choose
Every power as Thou shalt choose

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

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Amen.



PRAYER REQUESTS

It is a privilege to pray for one another! If you have a prayer request that you would like to share, please call or email the church office at (717) 232-0604, office@secondcitychurch.org. All prayer requests are considered confidential unless otherwise specified.

Please be in prayer for the following people:

- Ed & Anna Camp
- Rachal Emerick
- Bill and Eleanor Orner and grandson Joseph
- Nevin White
- Gordon & Elaine Zubrod
- Barb Koller
- Chuck Bagley
- Claire Webster

Bill Orner

Bill is back at the Middletown Home. He's weak but he's resting and recovering. If you would like to send Bill a note or card his address is:

Middletown Home, 999 West Harrisburg Pike, Middletown, PA 17057.

Chuck Bagley

Please pray for Chuck as he awaits a kidney transplant. Please pray that his health and kidney function don't deteriorate further making it necessary for him to require dialysis. Please also pray that a kidney becomes available soon. They are hoping to find a match from a living donor. Chuck and his wife Michelle are the parents of Jessi Gazsi and recently moved to the area. They are thankful for the new friends they've made at Second City Church. We are so thankful they are worshipping with us as well.

Clair Webster

Claire Webster recently fell and injured his shoulder. He is in a brace. He will not be able to worship with us for 5-6 weeks. Please pray for swift and complete healing for Clair. Notes and cards can be sent to: 940 Peters Mountain Road, Dauphin, PA 17018.



ALTAR FLOWERS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Altar flowers today are given in loving memory of Ira Roden by his wife Dottie, son Keith, daughter-in-law Beth, grandson and wife, Brian and Skylar Roden.

There will be a **Mission Team meeting** after church next Sunday, May 22nd. You are welcome to bring your lunch. Please direct all questions to Jonathan Hendrickson at hendricksonjp@gmail.com.

The Benevolence Team will be meeting on Tuesday, May 24 at 7:30 PM at the church. Please contact Jim Spatz with questions at jims0036@yahoo.com.

NEW East of Harrisburg Community group is forming. They will be meeting for the first time at Rapho Township Park at 2 PM on Saturday, May 21st. Please contact Lenora Riley at clicklenora@gmail.com or Jonathan Matias at graceandtruth@gmail.com.



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