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April 28, 2019  
*Season of Eastertide*

  
**Second**  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

## PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

*Please prepare your heart for worship and silence your mobile devices.*

Welcome to Second Presbyterian Church! We are thankful you are worshipping with us today. In contrast to the somber starkness of Holy Week, last Sunday's Easter was bright and celebratory! It was marked with music and songs that reflect the full joy of the Christian faith because of Jesus' victorious resurrection. However, because the good news of Easter can hardly be contained in a single day, Easter is only the first of a 50-day season we call, "Eastertide." This season is designed for extended celebration, exploring the implications of Easter in the redemption of all creation and the life of believers. Let us then begin this season with joyful worship as we together reflect on Him in whom we have redemption, victory, and everlasting life!

## PRAISE OUR RISEN KING

ORGAN PRELUDE: "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee" . . . . . Larry Wolz

*Jill Peak, organ*

INSTRUMENTAL MEDITATION: "Sacred Solitude" . . . . . James Michael Stevens

*Dee Walker, alto flute; Jill Peak, piano*

CALL TO WORSHIP . . . . . Todd Erickson

✦HYMN OF PRAISE: No. 273 "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today" . . . . . LLANFAIR

*Words: Charles Wesley / Music: Robert Williams / Matthew 28:7*

✦INVOCATION *(Please lift hands)*

✦STATEMENT OF FAITH: Westminster Shorter Catechism Q. 7 . . . . . Shelley Hill (8:15)

Haley Overcast (11:00)

What are the decrees of God?

**The decrees of God are His eternal plan  
based on the purpose of His will,  
by which, for His own glory,  
He has foreordained everything that happens.**

*This catechism will be the topic of the sermon this evening.*

✦GLORIA PATRI . . . . . GREATOREX

**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!**

SACRAMENT OF CHRISTIAN BAPTISM

8:15

*Caroline Louise Sadlow, born June 18, 2018, daughter of Emily and John Sadlow  
Rose Elizabeth Wilkins, born January 25, 2019, daughter of Jess and Luke Wilkins  
Cecil Ford Amagliani, born November 11, 2018, son of Natalie and Louis Amagliani  
Norah Rose Farnsworth, born April 16, 2018, daughter of Emily and Graham Farnsworth  
Louise Wright Towner, born September 15, 2018, daughter of Katherine and Buck Towner*

11:00

*Houston Cruz Clenin, born October 8, 2018, son of Kristen and Derek Clenin  
Hudson Ryan Mattox, born November 26, 2018, son of Sarah and Anthony Mattox  
Philip Reid Wesson, born October 29, 2018, son of Callie and Reid Wesson  
Andrew David Norman, born August 27, 2018, son of Sally and Paul Norman*

SONG OF ENCOURAGEMENT: "Jesus Loves You" . . . . . JESUS LOVES ME

**Jesus loves you, this we know, for the Bible tells us so;  
Little ones to Him belong, you are weak but He is strong.  
Yes, Jesus loves you! Yes, Jesus loves you!  
Yes, Jesus loves you! The Bible tells us so.**

PRAISE OUR REDEEMER KING

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God,  
You have raised Jesus from the grave and crowned Him Lord of all.  
Yet, we confess that we have not acknowledged His rule in our lives.  
We have gone along with the ways of the world  
and have failed to live for His glory.  
Forgive us for our arrogant hearts,  
our misplaced affections, and our love for the world.  
Raise us from the pit, transform our hearts, and strengthen our wills,  
so that we would live in the power of Jesus' resurrection,  
and rejoice in the glorious freedom He has won for us.  
We pray in His matchless name.

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON. . . . . Colossians 1:13-14

*He has delivered us from the domain of darkness  
and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son,  
in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.*

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "It Is Well" . . . . . John Ness Beck

*Words: Horatio Spafford / Music: John Ness Beck / Philippians 4:7*

When peace like a river attendeth my way.  
When sorrows like sea billows roll.  
Whatever my lot Thou has taught me to say.  
It is well, it is well with my soul.

*It is well with my soul.*

My sin, O the joy of this glorious thought.  
My sin, not in part but the whole  
Is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more.  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord O, my soul.

And Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight,  
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll;  
The trumpet shall sound and the Lord shall descend,  
Even so, it is well with my soul.

*The Chancel Choir  
Calvin Ellis, director*

✦DOXOLOGY . . . . . OLD HUNDREDTH

**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. Amen.**

✦PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING. . . . . Dan Burns

✦GREETINGS

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN (8:15). . . . . Lynn Erickson

# PRaise OUR ETERNAL KING

◆PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (*please stand*)

**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.**

◆HYMN OF PREPARATION: "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say" . . . . .KINGSFOLD

Words: Horatius Bonar / Music: Ralph Vaughan Williams / Matthew 11:28-30

1. I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Come un - to me and rest;  
2. I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Be - hold, I free - ly give  
3. I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "I am this dark world's Light;

lay down, O wea - ry one, lay down your head up - on my breast."  
the liv - ing wa - ter; thirst - y one, stoop down and drink, and live."  
look un - to me, your morn shall rise, and all your day be bright."

I came to Je - sus as I was, so wea - ry, worn, and sad;  
I came to Je - sus, and I drank of that life - giv - ing stream;  
I looked to Je - sus, and I found in him my Star, my Sun;

I found in him a rest - ing - place, and he has made me glad.  
my thirst was quenched, my soul re - vived, and now I live in him.  
and in that Light of life I'll walk till trav - ling days are done.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON ..... Exodus 3:10-15  
(page 46 in the pew Bible)

The grass withers, the flower fades,

**but the Word of our God will stand forever.** (*Isaiah 40:8*)

SERMON

*The Mustard Seed's Faith*

George Robertson

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

✦HYMN OF COMMITMENT: No. 585 "Take My Life, and Let It Be".....HENDON

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

✦BENEDICTION (*please raise hands*)

✦CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

ORGAN POSTLUDE: "All Creatures of Our God and King".....Hayden Sikes

✦*Indicates congregation standing*

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I. **Strength for Weakness** (*Exodus 3:10-12*)

II. **Credibility for Inexperience** (*Exodus 3:13-15*)