

# Order for the Public Worship of God

The Thirteenth Day of March, Two Thousand and Eleven

## First Sunday in Lent

11:00 a.m. • The Sanctuary

*As you enter the Sanctuary, please assume a quiet and respectful attitude of worship.  
Please turn off your cell phone.*

### THE FELLOWSHIP OF THE WORD

ORGAN PRELUDE: “Pastorale” ..... J.S. Bach

*Lenora Morrow, Organist*

A WORD ON WORSHIP *Friends of Jesus* Sanders L. Willson

CALL TO WORSHIP: “I Will Arise and Go to Jesus” .....RESOLUTION

Come, ye sinners, poor and wretched, weak and wounded, sick and sore;  
Jesus ready stands to save you, full of pity, joined with pow’r.

*I will arise and go to Jesus, He will embrace me in His arms;  
In the arms of my dear Savior, there are more than ten thousand charms.*

Come, ye weary, heavy laden, bruised and broken by the fall;  
If you tarry ‘til you’re better, you will never come at all.

Let no conscience make you linger, nor of fitness fondly dream.  
All the fitness He requireth is to feel your need of Him.

*Annie Petzinger, Carolyn Wells, and Terri Theil*

♣HYMN OF PRAISE: No. 498 “Jesus, What a Friend for Sinners” ..... HYFRYDOL  
*stanzas 1-4*

♣READING FROM THE GOSPELS: John 15:12-17 ..... Candace Willis

This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.

**Greater love has no one than this,  
that someone lay down his life for his friends.**

You are my friends if you do what I command you.

**No longer do I call you servants,  
for the servant does not know what his master is doing;  
but I have called you friends,  
for all that I have heard from my Father  
I have made known to you.**

You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you  
that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide,  
so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you.

**These things I command you, so that you will love one another.**

♣CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE ..... HYFRYDOL

**Jesus! I do now receive Him, more than all in Him I find;  
He hath granted me forgiveness, I am His, and He is mine.  
Hallelujah! what a Savior! Hallelujah! what a Friend!  
Saving, helping, keeping, loving, He is with me to the end.**

♣PRAYER OF ADORATION ..... Michael G. Stokke

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: “Beneath the Cross of Jesus” ..... Keith Getty

Beneath the cross of Jesus I find a place to stand,  
And wonder at such mercy that calls me as I am.  
For hands that should discard me hold wounds which tell me, come.  
Beneath the cross of Jesus my unworthy soul is won.

Beneath the cross of Jesus His family is my own.  
Once strangers chasing selfish dreams; now one through grace alone.  
How could I now dishonor the ones that You have loved?  
Beneath the cross of Jesus see the children called by God.

Beneath the cross of Jesus— the path before the crown,  
We follow in His footsteps where promised hope is found.  
How great the joy before us to be His perfect bride.  
Beneath the cross of Jesus we will gladly live our lives.

*Terri Theil, Soloist*

♣CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE ..... HAMBURG

**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.**

**Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small;  
Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.**

♣PRAYER OF DEDICATION ..... Andrew P. Wells

♣GREETINGS

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

READING FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT .....I Samuel 18:1-5  
*(page 241 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)*

LENTEN HOMILY *The Jesus Mission:  
Making Friends* Sanders L. Willson

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

### THE FELLOWSHIP OF THE 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 today. Non-communing worshipers are encouraged to contemplate the love of Jesus Christ during this time. At Second Presbyterian, we encourage our children not to take communion until they have joined the church as communicant members.*

♣PROFESSION OF FAITH ..... The Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,  
begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father,  
by Whom all things were made;  
Who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven,  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man,  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;  
He suffered and was buried;  
and the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures,  
and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father;  
and He shall come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead;  
Whose Kingdom shall have no end.**

**And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son;  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified;  
who spoke by the prophets;  
and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church;  
we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;  
and we look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

♣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.**

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Holy Jesus, Friend of sinners, have mercy on us,  
for we have failed our friends  
and have fallen short of Your commands.  
We have especially sinned against You, our dearest Friend,  
by not loving You with all our hearts, as You have loved us.  
Please forgive us; and rekindle our devotion to You  
and our affection for one another  
that Your Name may be forever praised. Amen.**

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

LITANY OF PRAISE

Lift up your hearts,

**We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

**It is meet and right so to do.**

It is very meet, right, and our joyful duty, that we should at all times  
and in all places, give thanks unto You, O Holy Lord, Father Almighty,  
Everlasting God. And we praise You for Jesus Christ our Lord,  
Who is the Friend of sinners, and our gracious Savior;

**Therefore with angels and archangels,  
and with all the company of heaven,  
we laud and magnify Your glorious Name;  
evermore praising You and saying:**

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,  
heav'n and earth are full of Your glo-ry. Ho-  
san-na in the high-est. Ho-san-na in the high-est.  
Blessed is He Who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-  
san-na in the high-est, Ho-san-na in the high-est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

**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.**

SONG OF JOY .....VILLE DU HAVRE

**My sin—O the bliss 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!  
It is well with my soul;  
It is well, it is well with my soul.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

INSTRUMENTAL MEDITATION: “‘Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus” . . . . TRUST IN JESUS

*’Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, just to take Him at His word;  
Just to rest upon His promise; just to know, thus saith the Lord.*

*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;  
Just in simple faith to plunge me ‘neath the healing, cleansing flood!*

SHARING OF THE CUP

INSTRUMENTAL MEDITATION: “Loved with Everlasting Love” . . . EVERLASTING LOVE

*Loved with everlasting love, drawn by grace that love to know,  
Spirit sent from Christ above, Thou dost witness it is so.  
O this full and precious peace from His presence all divine;  
In a love that cannot cease, I am His and He is mine.*

*His forever, only His— who the Lord and me shall part?  
Ah, with what a rest of bliss Christ can fill the loving heart.  
Heav’n and earth may fade and flee, first-born light in gloom decline,  
But while God and I shall be, I am His and He is mine.*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

♣HYMN OF GRATITUDE: No. 629 “What a Friend We Have in Jesus” . . WHAT A FRIEND  
*stanza 1*

♣BENEDICTION

♣CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

ORGAN POSTLUDE: “Praeludium in C” ..... D. Buxtehude

♣Indicates congregation standing CCLI License #252778

*Instrumentalists: Paul Turnbow, Long Long Kang, violin; Beth Luscombe, viola;  
Mark Wallace, cello*

*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.*

*One of our pastors will be available after the service to pray for you or to offer helpful direction regarding your spiritual life. He will be in the Gathering Room, which is the first room on your left as you exit the southwest door of the Sanctuary (closest to the pulpit). You may also send your confidential email to pastor@2pc.org with questions about your spiritual life.*

**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. Our Congregational Communities (CCs), also known as Sunday School classes, offer a wide variety of options appealing to various age groups and stages of life. Visiting a CC is the best way to get to know others and become involved. CCs meet on Sunday mornings at 9:45 a.m. For a full listing of classes, visit [www.2pc.org/cc](http://www.2pc.org/cc).

**Paraments:** Our Sanctuary paraments have changed for the Season of Lent and will remain until Palm Sunday. Embroidered upon the purple Pulpit Fall in gold thread are the Greek letters Chi and Rho, the first two letters of the Greek word ΧΡΙΣΤΟΣ, Christos, together with the letters Alpha and Omega, the first and last letters of the Greek alphabet, representing Christ, the beginning of all things and the end. The Chi Rho symbols are a Christogram, or monogram, as it were, of Christ. On the two Bible Markers, in the same gold thread, the letter Alpha is on one side and Omega on the other.

## Sunday Night Worship - 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

**Tonight: Esther 4:14b**

We gather each Sunday evening for an informal worship service — a time of prayer, praise, and teaching from God’s Word. Our morning and evening services frame our weekly Lord’s Day worship. We invite you to worship with us.

### Weekly Focus on Missions

**World Missions:** Valery and Janna Morozov were part of Second’s church family when they lived in Memphis. Now in their twelfth year of service in St. Petersburg, Russia, Valery serves as director of Wycliffe Bible Translators / Russia, and Janna works in member care for the agency. Knowing the power of God’s Word to change lives, the Morozovs’ passion is for the world’s people to have Bible translations in their own language. Last month Wycliffe / Russia held a vision seminar, which Valery reported was one of their most successful ever. From that meeting nine candidates expressed a desire to work with Wycliffe / Russia. This Thursday Wycliffe’s board will meet with seven of these young servants. Pray that the Lord will direct and bless this important meeting.

**Mission Memphis:** Each year during Spring Break, Streets Ministries takes students on college tours. This program, which allows over forty students from the neighborhood to visit eight different colleges and universities throughout the South always proves to be a motivating trip for the students. Please pray for the time that staff spends with these sophomores and juniors, as well as for their safety as they travel from school to school. Please also pray for support as construction continues at the new site, and pray for the staff as they continue to build relationships with the Kingsbury students.

### Christian Education

**Groups:** Group discussion questions based on the sermon Scripture text and supplementary resources are available at [www.2pcgroups.org](http://www.2pcgroups.org). If you are interested in becoming a part of a group, email [groups@2pc.org](mailto:groups@2pc.org).

**MidWeek:** Dinner is served on Wednesdays in the Fellowship Hall from 5:15-6:15 p.m. Programs and groups meet from 6:15-7:30 p.m. For more information about our MidWeek classes and children’s activities, visit [www.2pc.org/midweek](http://www.2pc.org/midweek). Note: MidWeek will not meet on March 16, due to Spring Break.

**Bible Studies:** Weekly Bible Studies are available for women and men. Visit [www.2pc.org/women](http://www.2pc.org/women) and [www.2pc.org/amen](http://www.2pc.org/amen) (respectively) for more information.

### Coming Soon

**Farewell Reception:** On March 20 we will say farewell to Jon and Tracie Becker, along with Taylor, Caedman, Thymian, and Tatiana, as they begin a new ministry in Gulf Breeze, Florida. They have served faithfully and fruitfully at Second for three and a half years, and we are deeply grateful. Please join us next Sunday following the 11 a.m. service in C310 for our reception for the Becker family.

**CityServe Explorers:** CityServe Explorers will visit work sites of Service Over Self on Thursday, March 24. We will leave the west parking lot in the van at 12:45 p.m. and return by 2:15. The mission of Service Over Self is to glorify God by proclaiming the Gospel in word and deed through urban home repair camps. They have repaired more than 500 homes using 1,700 volunteers a year since the ministry began in 1986. Come see some of the places where they are currently working and hear their story! Please call the church at 454-0034 for a place on the van.

**Foundation Annual Dinner:** This year’s dinner event (April 1 at 6:30 p.m.) will focus on “The Light of the Gospel” and will feature preacher and author. John Yates. There is no charge for the dinner.

Make your reservation by registering online at [www.2pcfoundation.org](http://www.2pcfoundation.org) or contacting Margaret Cranford at [margaret.cranford@2pc.org](mailto:margaret.cranford@2pc.org) or 454-0034, ext. 141 with the names of each attendee, no later than Thursday, March 24.

### Women in Ministry

**Women’s Retreat:** Ladies, don’t miss the 2011 Women’s Retreat, April 8-10, at Victory Ranch! Join 2PC women of all ages to be refreshed and revitalized in the Holy Spirit! You will laugh and learn from keynote speaker, Leigh McLeroy, all while enjoying fun fellowship with friends. Register at [www.2pc.org/womensretreat](http://www.2pc.org/womensretreat) or call Nancy Webster at 454-0034! Space is limited, so grab a friend and sign up today!

**Terrific Tuesday:** Terri Fox will give her personal testimony at the Terrific Tuesday luncheon on April 12 at 11:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. She and her husband, Roy, have three children: Roy, 19; Margaux, 17; and their youngest child, Meredith, who lost her life in September, 2009 at the age of 14. Terri’s testimony of her journey since Meredith’s death, her passion for the Lord, and God’s plan for each of us is powerful. Nursery reservations may be made by calling Sha Tyus at 454-0034, ext. 170. A dessert session is available for those who cannot attend the luncheon — at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Tickets for both events are available in The Bookmark Bookstore and at [www.2pc.org/women](http://www.2pc.org/women).

### Recreation Ministry

**Zumba Class:** A women’s zumba class is being offered this spring! Zumba is a fast-paced dance fitness program where you can have fun and get fit with friends. Classes are on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5:30-6:30 p.m. and from 10:00-11:00 a.m. on Saturdays. Contact Katherine Thurmond at [ktthurmond@2pc.org](mailto:ktthurmond@2pc.org) for more information.

### The Growing Place Library

**Story Time:** Gather around the Story Tree in the Library on Wednesdays from 10:30-11:00 a.m. to hear exciting children’s stories with a Christian message. Contact The Growing Place Library at 454-0034 or [library@2pc.org](mailto:library@2pc.org) for more information.

**Good Reading Dinner Group:** Please join us in C310 to hear book reviews from 5:15-6:15 p.m. on the following Wednesdays, March 23 and April 6.

### Student Ministries

**It’s EDGE Registration Time!** Registration for EDGE 2011 is underway! See any member of the youth staff for your registration form. The EDGE fills up fast, so submit your registration form early!

**Jr. High:** Three Degrees will not meet this evening and small groups will not meet on Wednesday due to Spring Break. For more information, visit [www.2pcyouth.org](http://www.2pcyouth.org).

**Sr. High:** Small groups will not meet this afternoon and True North will not meet on Wednesday due to Spring Break. For more information, visit [www.2pcyouth.org](http://www.2pcyouth.org).

**Youth Choir:** All seventh through twelfth graders are invited to be a part of the Youth Choir, which is comprised of both experienced and non-experienced singers. It meets in the choir room on Wednesdays at 5:00 p.m. for a group dinner, followed by a 45 minute rehearsal from 5:30-6:15.

**College:** The College Class meets every Sunday, upstairs in the EC Building at 9:45 a.m. For more information about our College Ministry, email Kathy at [kwilson@2pc.org](mailto:kwilson@2pc.org).

### Caring Ministry

#### Congratulations to:

Courtney and Travis Black on the birth of a daughter, *Hadley Jewel Black*, March 4, 2011.

#### Sympathy to:

Jill Kauffman on the death of her mother, *Faye Bodie Spratlin*, February 23, 2011 in Lincolnton, GA.

Kathleen Towner on the death of her mother, *Erlayne Hensley Oswald*, March 8, 2011.

#### In the Hospital (as of 3/9):

Loretta West, Baptist; Joe Pickering, Baptist; Vicki Simmons, Methodist Germantown

### March Flowers

**The flowers in the Sanctuary today are given to the glory of God and in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Wade.** Mrs. Wade is the former Susan Meadows.

**The flowers in the Sanctuary for the month of March are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of:** *Gloria Joyce Cape* by her family; *Charlie Cash* by his family; *Wendell Palmer* by his wife, Evelyn, and his children Fred, Pam, Nikki and Eric Montesi; *Dr. Bailey W. Prichard* and his parents, *Bailey and Montell Prichard* by June Prichard Robinson; *Dr. Phillip Sherman* by his wife, Barbara, his children and his grandchildren; *Richard E. Shubert* by his wife Janice and his family.

March 13, 2011, 11:00 a.m.

*Season of Lent*