

SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

ORDER FOR THE PUBLIC WORSHIP of GOD

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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.



Christ saves sinners like us to serve as a light that directs others to Him. Fulfilling this call requires us to answer difficult questions such as: Is Jesus the only way to Heaven?

Do Christians believe in evolution? Isn't Christianity just a psychological crutch?

If God is sovereign, are we really free? During this semester-long series, we will attempt to address these and other questions by offering biblical answers.

†CALL TO WORSHIP

SINGING HIS PRAISE

Blessed be Your Name in the land that is plentiful, Where Your streams of abundance flow Blessed be Your Name. And blessed be Your Name when I'm found in the desert place, Though I walk through the wilderness Blessed be Your Name.

Pre-chorus

Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise; And when the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say:

Chorus

Blessed be the Name of the Lord; blessed be Your Name. Blessed be the Name of the Lord; blessed be Your glorious Name.

Blessed be Your Name when the sun's shining down on me, When the world's "all as it should be" Blessed be Your Name.
And blessed be Your Name on the road marked with suffering, Though there's pain in the offering Blessed be Your Name.

Pre-chorus and Chorus

You give and take away. You give and take away. My heart will choose to say Lord, blessed be Your Name.

Chorus

Before the throne of God above,
I have a strong, a perfect plea,
A great High Priest whose name is "Love,"
Who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on His hands,
My name is written on His heart;
I know that while in heav'n He stands
No tongue can bid me thence depart.
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When Satan tempts me to despair, And tells me of the guilt within, Upward I look and see Him there Who made an end to all my sin. Because the sinless Savior died, My sinful soul is counted free; For God, the Just, is satisfied To look on Him and pardon me. To look on Him and pardon me.

Behold Him there the risen Lamb, My perfect, spotless Righteousness, The great unchangeable I AM, The King of glory and of grace! One with Himself I cannot die, My soul is purchased by His blood; My life is hid with Christ on high, With Christ, my Savior and my God. With Christ, my Savior and my God.

†PRAYER OF ADORATION

WORSHIP OF GOD WITH THE GIFTS OF GOD

Worshipers at the end of a row should pass the collection bag to those in the row behind them.



 PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING
 Mike Stokke

 Assistant Pastor, Middle Adults

HEARING GOD'S WORD

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Why Should I Believe the Bible?

Barton Kimbro Assistant Pastor, Young Adults

THE PARTICIPATION OF THE BREAD AND CUP

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

SONGS FOR THE TABLE

"Jesus, I Come"...... Greg Thompson, William True Sleeper

Out of my bondage, sorrow and night, Jesus, I come; Jesus I come. Into Thy freedom, gladness and light, Jesus, I come to Thee. Out of my sickness into Thy health, out of my wanting and into Thy wealth, Out of my sin and into Thyself, Jesus, I come to Thee.

Out of my shameful failure and loss, Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come. Into the glorious gain of Thy cross, Jesus, I come to Thee. Out of earth's sorrows into Thy balm, out of life's storms and into Thy calm, Out of distress into jubilant psalm, Jesus, I come to Thee.

Out of unrest and arrogant pride, Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come. Into Thy blessed will to abide, Jesus, I come to Thee. Out of myself to dwell in Thy love, out of despair into raptures above, Upward forever on wings like a dove, Jesus, I come to Thee.

Out of the fear and dread of the tomb, Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come. Into the joy and light of Thy home, Jesus, I come to Thee. Out of the depths of ruin untold, into the peace of Thy sheltering fold, Ever Thy glorious face to behold, Jesus, I come to Thee.

Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away,

Slain for us - and we remember

The promise made that all who come in faith find forgiveness at the cross.

So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of His sacrifice

As a sign of our bonds of peace around the table of the King.

The body of our Savior Jesus Christ,

Torn for you - eat and remember

The wounds that heal, the death that brings us life paid the price to make us one.

So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of His sacrifice

As a sign of our bonds of love around the table of the King.

The blood that cleanses every stain of sin,

Shed for you - drink and remember

He drained death's cup that all may enter in to receive the life of God.

So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of His sacrifice

As a sign of our bonds of grace around the table of the King.

And so with thankfulness and faith we rise

To respond – and to remember

Our call to follow in the steps of Christ as His body here on earth.

As we share in His suffering we proclaim Christ will come again!

And we'll join in the feast of heaven around the table of the King.

The mystery of the cross I cannot comprehend, The agonies of Calvary. You, the perfect Holy One, crushed Your Son Who drank the bitter cup reserved for me.

Your blood has washed away my sin: Jesus, thank You. The Father's wrath completely satisfied: Jesus, thank You. Once Your enemy, now seated at Your table: Jesus, thank You.

By Your perfect sacrifice I've been brought near; Your enemy You've made Your friend. Pouring out the riches of Your glorious grace; Your mercy and Your kindness know no end.

Chorus

Lover of my soul: I want to live for You.

Chorus

SENDING OUT GOD'S PEOPLE

†BENEDICTION

†Indicates congregation standing		License #252778
	SERMON NOTES	
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.