5th Sunday in Lent

April 6th, 2025 **10:30 a.m.**

PRELUDE ***Herzliebster Jesu, was hast du verbrochen*** *Helmut Walcha*

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

INTROIT

✞CALL TO WORSHIP *based on* Psalm 126

One: May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
All: And also with you.
One: When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream.
All: Then our mouths were filled with laughter and our tongues with shouts of joy.
One: Then it was said among the nations,
All: "The Lord has done great things for us, and we rejoiced."
One: When those who sow in tears reap with shouts of joy, we will be like those who dream.
All: And those who go out weeping shall come home with shouts of joy.

✞HYMN OF PRAISE ***O Love, How Deep*** **#618, vv. 1-4**

✞PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, even as we journey with Jesus toward the cross, we confess that we fail to recognize what this means. We admit that we have remained silent when we should have spoken up for justice. We have turned away from truth when it was inconvenient and ignored your call to follow in the way of Christ. We have crumbled under the pressures of our culture rather than standing firm in our faith. We have held Christ's promises loosely rather than allowing them to take hold in our lives. Forgive us, O God. Renew our hearts and strengthen our commitment, that we may stand with Christ in truth and love, bearing witness to your kingdom. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, we pray. Amen.

✞ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

One: The Lord has done great things for us.
All: Through the grace and mercy of Jesus Christ, we are renewed, and we are made whole.
One: Beloved children of God, know that you are forgiven and be at peace.
All: Thanks be to God. Amen.

✞RESPONSE ***O Love, How Deep*** **#618, v. 5**

✞PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please sign the Registration Pad found at the end of the row and pass it along.

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

All children are invited to come forward for the Time for Young Disciples. Following this time, children through 1st grade are invited to Children's Church.

OFFERING OUR LIVES TO GOD

Offertory ***Interlude*** *Flor Peeters*
✞Response ***Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*** **#606**
✞Prayer of Dedication

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

HEBREW BIBLE READING Isaiah 50:4-9a p. 681 OT
This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

NEW TESTAMENT READING Luke 23:1-5, 14-25 p. 88 NT
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THE WORD PROCLAIMED **Tim Reynolds**

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Lord's Table
✞Preparatory Hymn ***In Remembrance of Me*** **#521**
Great Thanksgiving & The Lord's Prayer
The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
Lift up your hearts. **They are lifted up to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Communion of the People ***O Love*** *Elaine Hagenberg*
Prayer after Communion

✞AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Vision Statement of 2nd Presbyterian Church
Responding in gratitude to God's love and grace, we are a welcoming, faithful, and hopeful community, following Jesus and serving him in the world.

✞HYMN OF SENDING ***Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said*** **#718**

✞BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

✞POSTLUDE ***Andante in C minor*** *Christian Heinrich Rinck*

✞PLEASE STAND IN BODY OR IN SPIRIT, AS YOU ARE ABLE



Communion: We welcome all who follow Jesus, regardless of denomination, to the Lord's Table, including children. Parents who wish to celebrate communion as a family may get their children from the nursery during the singing of the Communion preparation hymn. **Communion will be received in the pews this morning.**

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Tim Reynolds – Pastor
Sarah Morgan – Pastor
Matthew Mimbs – Director of Music & Arts
Sarah Warner – Organist
2nd Presbyterian Chancel Choir

Ushers: Cleston Jones, Liz Peebles, Dick Smith, Kim Hudgens
Technicians: Matthew Lowe (video); Matt Casey (audio)

WORSHIP

UPCOMING SERMON TEXTS AND TOPICS: We continue our sermon series on The Life of Jesus as we move through Lent. Jesus' Kingdom Mission is coming to a conclusion and from now through Easter we will be focusing on the last week of Jesus' life, as recorded in Luke's Gospel.

Apr 6	Luke 22:66-23:25	The Life of Jesus: *Trial*
Apr 13	Luke 23:13-25, 33-47	The Life of Jesus: *Crucifixion*
Apr 17	Luke 22:7-38	The Life of Jesus: *The Last Supper*
Apr 20	Luke 24:1-12	The Life of Jesus: *Resurrection*

THE FLOWERS THIS WEEK are given to the glory of God.

COMMUNION WILL BE RECEIVED IN THE PEWS this morning. We will be using a method known as the "dual cup method" to receive the sacrament. There are two cups in each slot in the tray. The bottom cup holds one piece of communion bread and the top cup holds the juice. When the tray is passed to you, remove both cups together, separate them, and then hold them until everyone has been served. We will take the bread and the juice together, as instructed by the pastors. For those who would like a gluten-free option, cups with gluten-free bread are in the center rings of the tray.

EASTER FLOWERS are now available to order. You may order using the order forms in the Narthex and Atrium, or order online through Realm. Lilies are $13 each and Hydrangeas are $26 each.

MEMORIAL SERVICE: We will gather at 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 12th to celebrate and remember the life of Bruce Foster. Family will receive friends following the service in the Fellowship Hall.

MEMORIAL SERVICE: There will be a Celebration of Life for Amy Garcia at the Thompson Proton Center on April 19th. There will be a receiving of friends at 2:00 p.m., with the service beginning at 4:00 p.m.

PALM SUNDAY: Next Sunday is Palm Sunday. Everyone is invited to pick up a palm as they enter the sanctuary to wave during the first hymn. All children and their families are invited to come to the Narthex at the start of worship to receive palms and parade through the sanctuary during the first hymn.

MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE: On Maundy Thursday, April 17th, we will celebrate Holy Thursday with our friends from Church of the Savior. The service will begin at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

GOOD FRIDAY PRAYER SERVICE: We will gather in the sanctuary with 7 other PCUSA congregations at 12 noon on Good Friday, April 18th, for a reflective and contemplative prayer service.

WELCOME VISITORS!

We are excited to have you with us today and hope you feel at home! We are honored you are here and pray you will feel God's presence in this place. If you do not have a church home, we would love for you to be a part of the 2nd Pres. Please let us know a bit about you by completing a Visitor's Card or by filling out your information in the Friendship Register. Children are welcome in worship. There is a **family worship area** down front. There is also a "crying room" next door in the Library where the service is live streamed. **Children's Worship Bags** are available in the Narthex. Children ages 2 through 1st grade are invited to **Children's Church** following the children's time in worship. A **nursery is available** beginning at 9:15 for infants and children through age 2. **Hearing Devices** are available if needed.

CONNECT

FOOD & FRIENDS: On the 2nd Sunday of the month, all college students and young adults are invited to lunch at a local restaurant paid for by the church. **Our next Food and Friends is April 13th.**

2ND WEDNESDAY DINNER & PROGRAM: Our next 2nd Wednesday Dinner & Program is on Wednesday, April 9th at 6:00 p.m. Dinner will be Soccer Taco. For our program, Pastor Sarah will guide us through a series of Lenten Prayer Stations.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN will have their monthly meeting on Tuesday, April 8th at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

GROW

THE FAITH, SCIENCE & THE FUTURE SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS meets in the Barbour Room at 9:30 a.m. weekly. This class studies current events through the lens of faith using a weekly curriculum called *The Wired Word.* All are invited – join us!

GALATIANS BIBLE STUDY: Pastor Tim leads a weekly Bible study on Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. in the Barbour Room. We are studying Paul's letter to the Galatians. All are welcome.

LENTEN BOOK STUDY: We meet on Thursdays at 5:30 p.m. in the Barbour Room to discuss *Hope Is Here!* by Luther E. Smith. The book is available at all major online book sellers.

EASTER EGGS: We are collecting Easter Eggs for our annual Easter Egg hunt! If you would like to donate, please place your filled, plastic easter eggs in the donation box in the atrium. If you have any questions, please contact Holly Grimm.

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FISH MISSION DONATIONS: We are currently asking you to direct your monetary gifts directly to the Fish designated fund rather than donating items. You can contribute via Realm, the church website, or by check. Monthly donations would be most helpful. FISH meets on the 4th Tuesday of the month to pack and/or deliver. If you'd like to help, contact Dick Dodson at rtdodson52@gmail.com.

THE ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING OFFERING will be received on Palm Sunday, April 13th, and Easter Sunday, April 20th. Join with Presbyterians worldwide in sharing God's love with our neighbors in need around the world by providing relief from natural disasters, food for the hungry, and support for the poor and oppressed.

SUPPORT

WI-FI NETWORK: Our Wi-fi network is for use by anyone who visits the building. The network is "Second Presbyterian Church", and the password is *Psalm100*.

GIVE ONLINE: Visit us at www.2ndpres.org/give, text *2ndPresKnox* to 73256, or scan the QR code to the right.

THIS WEEK IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Sunday, April 6th
- 9:15 a.m. Choir Practice (Sanctuary)
- 9:30 a.m. Faith, Science & The Future Class (Barbour Room)
- 10:30 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)
- 11:30 a.m. Fellowship Time

Monday, April 7th
- 9:45 a.m. Staff Meeting (Small Conference Room)
- 10:00 a.m. Arts and Crafts (Room 227)
- 3:00 p.m. Budget & Finance Support Team Meeting (Zoom)

Tuesday, April 8th
- 10:00 a.m. Presbyterian Women (Fellowship Hall)
- 6:00 p.m. Worship Team Meeting (Barbour Room)

Wednesday, April 9th
- 6:00 p.m. 2nd Wednesday Dinner (Fellowship Hall)

Thursday, April 10th
- 10:30 a.m. Galatians Bible Study (Library)
- 5:30 p.m. Lenten Book Study (Barbour Room)

Saturday, April 12th
- 4:00 p.m. Bruce Foster Memorial Service (Sanctuary)

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- 9:15 a.m. Choir Practice (Sanctuary)
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PRAYER CONCERNS

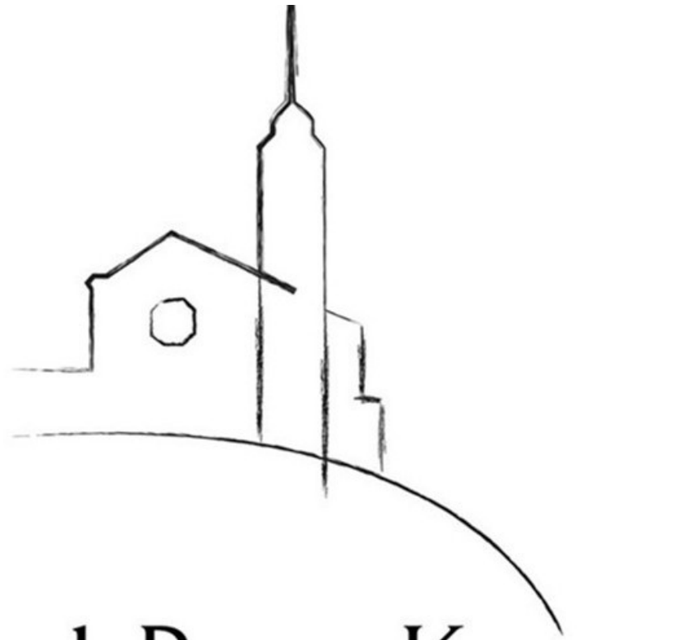
The Casey Family, Sue Jacox, The family of Bruce Foster, Bill Roach, Jr., The family of Amy Garcia, Donna Downen, and Arlys Milligan

*Please notify the office if you are sick, in the hospital, or have a prayer request.
Names remain on the prayer list 4 weeks unless requested to keep them on longer.

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