

SINGING OUR FAITH TOGETHER

No. 175 "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" (Verses 1, 2, 4)
 Words by Isaac Watts (1707)

***BENEDICTION**

You belong to God. God's grace isn't limited by your gratitude; His hope isn't limited by your fears; His love isn't limited by your love. You are new, you are still learning how to serve. But pray like no one's listening, serve like no one's watching, give like no one's counting, and help others find alternate endings for their lives. **Amen.**

All sing:

**Let us go to follow you, because you've called our name,
 Let us go where we don't know and never be the same.
 Let us let your love be shown, and be sure your name is known,
 May our lives be ever grown in you, and you in us.**

Thank you to Emily Byrd for helping to lead the music in worship this morning.

If you have a prayer request, please forward the request to the church office. We will include your request on the prayer request list for a month, unless you request for us to leave it on longer.

As you leave Second, remember that you are deeply loved by God, and you're called to share God's love with others.

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ForKids - Marie Finch
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 St. Columba - Alice Allen-Grimes
 St. Mary's Soup Kitchen - Larry Hull
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 The Norfolk Street Choir Project - Rich Voter

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ODU Global Friendship - John Klein
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RELATIONSHIPS THAT MATTER: ON THE ROAD WITH THE APOSTLE PAUL

"BEYOND RUBBISH:
 WHO ARE YOU?"



Second Presbyterian Church, January 30, 2022

I AM
 two of the most powerful
 words, for what you put
 after them shape your
 reality.

**WHO
 ARE
 YOU?**

Whether we are old or young, whether we are first-time or longtime worshipers, whether we come full of doubts or confidence, joy or sorrow, in this place we all are family, because of what Jesus did for us on the cross. Welcome!

We Gather In Christ

“Wondrous Cross”
Lowell Mason/arr. Shoup

CALL TO WORSHIP (inspired by Psalm 139)

God, you search me and know me. Before I sit, you know when I will rise.

God, you search me and know me.

Before I speak, you know what I will say.

God, you search me and know me, in my joy and despair, in my breathing in and breathing out.

God, you search me and know me.

Your knowledge is too deep to reach, too vast to comprehend.

God, you search me and know me.

Search me, O God, and know my heart.

WELCOME

*PASSING THE PEACE

*SINGING OUR FAITH TOGETHER

No. 863 “Take My Life and Let It Be” (Verses 1, 2, 4, 5)
Words by Frances R. Havergal (1874)

We Recognize our Need to Grow Closer to God

*CONFESSING OUR SIN (inspired by Philippians 3:4-14)

Eternal God, we know how the apostle Paul—as a Pharisee—counted himself as righteous. He considered himself blameless, but counted all that as loss when he came to know Jesus as Lord. From that time on, he knew that he no longer needed to earn your love. He only needed to accept your unconditional love.

Forgive us, O God, when we believe that righteous behavior is what we need to earn your love.

(silent reflection)

We know that we can neither earn nor deserve all that you have done for us.

Help us to surrender our worldly attitudes and values so that, like Paul, we can celebrate anew lives centered in Jesus Christ.

(silent reflection)

Merciful God, in the crucifixion, we see the lengths you were prepared to go, to do great things for us.

Whatever gains we may have experienced in our lives, like Paul may we regard them as loss, compared to the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus as our Lord. This we pray in his name. Amen.

*MEDITATING IN SILENCE

“God doesn’t love us because of our worth, we are of worth because God loves us.”
—Martin Luther

*RECEIVING GRACE (inspired by 2 Corinthians 12:2-10)

God’s grace is sufficient for all our needs, covering all our sins.

Thanks be to God!

Old things are done away with, all things become new.

Thanks be to God!

Christ redeems our lives and, with our every step and stumble, he is with us.

Thanks be to God! Amen.

All sing:

**Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call our names,
Let us turn and follow you and never be the same.**

**In your company we’ll go where your love and footsteps show.
Thus we’ll move and live and grow in you, and you in us.**

We Hear the Word

TIME OF DISCOVERY

MESSAGE

—Dr. Craig Wansink

“Beyond Rubbish: Who Are You?”
Philippians 3:4-9

We Respond in Humility

*SINGING OUR FAITH TOGETHER

“The Love of the Lord”
By Michael Joncas

Congregation sings the refrain

All sing:

**What more could bring us hope
than to know the pow’r of his life?
What more could bring us peace
than to share in his suff’ring and death?
What more could be our final wish
than to live in the love of the Lord?**

MISSION AND MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE 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.**

“Jesus makes confetti out of our degrees, trophies and titles. He celebrates us, not our accomplishments.”
—Bob Goff

“It must be an odd feeling to be thankful to nobody in particular. Christians in public institutions often see this odd thing happening on Thanksgiving Day. Everyone in the institution seems to be thankful ‘in general.’ It’s very strange. It’s a little like being married in general.”
—Cornelius Plantinga, Jr.