## Easter Hymns

**HYMN 248** Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna! Christ is risen! Shout Hosanna! Celebrate this day of days. Christ is risen! Hush in wonder: all creation is amazed. In the desert all surrounding, see, a spreading tree has grown. Healing leaves of grace abounding bring a taste of love unknown.

Christ is risen! Raise your spirits from the caverns of despair. Walk with gladness in the morning. See what love can do and dare. Drink the wine of resurrection, not a servant but a friend. Jesus is our strong companion. Joy and peace shall never end.

Christ is risen! Earth and heaven nevermore shall be the same. Break the bread of new creation where the world is still in pain. Tell its grim, demonic chorus: "Christ is risen! Get you gone!" God the First and Last is with us. Sing Hosanna, everyone!

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**HYMN 244** This Joyful Eastertide This joyful Eastertide, away with sin and sorrow! My love, the Crucified, has sprung to life this morrow.

### Refrain:

Had Christ, who once was slain, not burst his three-day prison, our faith had been in vain. But now has Christ arisen. arisen, arisen, arisen.

My flesh in hope shall rest and for a season slumber till trump from east to west shall wake the dead in number. [Refrain]

Death's flood has lost its chill since Jesus crossed the river. Lover of souls, from ill my passing soul deliver. [Refrain]





## Easter Hymns

TRURO

#### **HYMN 246**

#### Christ is Alive!

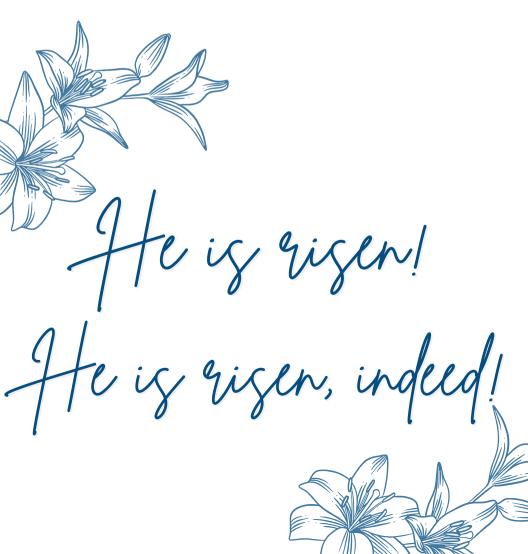
Christ is alive! Let Christians sing. The cross stands empty to the sky. Let streets and homes with praises ring. Love, drowned in death, shall never die.

Christ is alive! No longer bound to distant years in Palestine, But saving, healing, here and now, and touching every place and time.

Not throned afar, remotely high, untouched, unmoved by human pains, But daily, in the midst of life, our Savior in the God-head reigns.

In every insult, rift, and war, where color, scorn, or wealth divide, Christ suffers still, yet loves the more, and lives, where even hope has died.

Christ is alive, and comes to bring Good news to this and every age, Till earth and sky and ocean ring with joy, with justice, love, and praise.



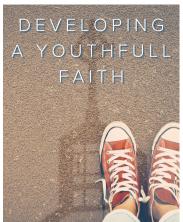
# Ways to Get Involved

# Looking Ahead

### DEVELOPING A YOUTHFULL FAITH

Preaching Series for April & May

We spend a considerable amount of time prepping for what's next and saying things like, "I can't wait to grow up" or "When I'm grown up, I'II …" What if God is inviting us to not just look ahead, but look back at our youth? Because many of our worship services will be led by and focused on our



youth – Youth Sunday, Confirmation, Kirkin O Tartans with Lyon College, and Senior Recognition – I believe God is inviting us to develop a youth-full faith that explores how doubt, play, laughter, boredom, and unfettered joy are essential elements of faith.

Join us next starting next **Sunday, April 7th** for a new preaching series at Second Pres. that'll explore what a youth-full faith looks like and how we develop it!

# Second Hall Sunday School Series

### SUNDAYS AT 9:50 a.m.

The Difficult Words of Jesus: A Beginners Guide To His Most Perplexing Teachings by Amy Jill Levine APRIL - MAY 12

This six session video-and-book series invites us to explore some of the hardest and most confusing sayings of Jesus. Trusted Jewish

scholar Amy-Jill Levine illustrates how these difficult teachings sounded to the original audience, and how we might interpret them now as part of Christ's Gospel of love and reconciliation.

### Being Queer in Arkansas MAY 19

Panel discussion by Rev. Marie Mainard O'Connell and the Queer Collective, new worshipping community of the PCUSA.

The changing landscape of gender, sexuality, language, and culture leaves many of us with questions about definitions, pronouns, experience, current laws, and how to be an ally to our queer friends and family. This friendly panel of LGBTQIA+ persons offer a quick primer on the experience of being queer in Arkansas today, and answer your questions. Look for a "Questions Box" in May to gather your questions!



## **Church Spring Home Gatherings**

### FUN AND FELLOWSHIP

Join us in members' homes for an evening of fun, fellowship, and refreshments:

### Thursdays, April 11, 18, 25 or May 2 at 6:00 p.m.

or join us in the Church Prayer Garden on Tuesday, May 14 at 6:00 p.m.

Sign up for a gathering that suits your schedule by scanning the QR code or by calling the church office at 501-227-0000.

## Kirkin' O' The Tartans

### APRIL 28

A popular Scottish-American tradition which features pipe and drum, beautiful hymns and the blessing of the family tartans of our congregation. Representatives of Lyon College will help us celebrate



our Scottish arts and traditions. The Kirkin' o' the Tartans will be offered at both our 8:30 and 11:00 am services.

# New Adult Education Classes in April

The Seeking More Light Class (room 67 and Zoom) continues their study of the book Faith After Doubt, by Brian McLaren; a look into deconstructing and reconstructing a meaningful faith. Copies available in the church office.

**The Connections Class (room 62-62)** is for adults with lives full of careers, relationships, and context - currently studying the selected works and quotations of writer Brené Brown to dismantle shame, lean into vulnerability, and revitalize life.

**The Bible Study Class (Library and Zoom)** is a classical course of biblical study using the spring edition of the unified bible study series The Present Word, focused on "Examining Faith." Digital copies of the curriculum are still available.

**The Spiritual Nourishment Class (Heritage room and Zoom)** for intimate discussion of personal faith and prayer practices continues their study of Sr. Joan Chittister's book An Evolving God, and Evolving Purpose, an Evolving Faith, from the "My Theology" short theology series.

**For any Zoom meeting room information** please check out the Second Connections email on Thursdays or contact Rev. Lindy Vogado, Associate Pastor for Belonging and Outreach.



### Presbyterian Women

### GATHERINGS IN APRIL

PW Gathering April 9, 10:00 a.m., Second Hall Together In Service April 16, 9:30 a.m., Ferncliff Anna Circle, April 21 (Time and place TBA) Coordinating Team, April 23, 1:00 p.m., Library Huldah Circle, April 24, 11:00 a.m., Presbyterian Village

### Men's Group Ministry

### TUESDAY MORNINGS FROM 7-8AM / SECOND HALL & ZOOM

If you like to laugh, hear a good word from God, talk about the upcoming preaching scripture with Rev. Ben, join us in person or on Zoom. For more, contact Vic Fleming (judgevic@gmail.com) or Vernon Markham (vmarkh3@gmail.com) for further details.

## Monday Morning Bible Study

### FIRST & THIRD MONDAYS AT 9:30AM

This study, co-taught by Rev. Mainard O'Connell, Rev. Lowry and Rev. Kane, we will use a hand-picked packet of current articles, sermons, and scholarship to lead us through this important and imaginative text. The Book of Revelation is a fundamentally political text that aims to help us answer the question "how do we live as Christians in a broken world?" Parse the invaluable historical and pastoral context needed to understand the fullness of the text beyond the media's shallow idea of incendiary prophecy. We typically meet in Second Hall at 9:30am.

## Take Me Out to the Ballgame

**SAVE THE DATE.** Take me out to the ballgame May 31 evening when the Arkansas Travelers play Amarillo at Dickey-Stephens Park. We'll picnic at the park, sit together for the game and enjoy the after-game fireworks. This will be fun for all ages. Tickets go on sale in April at \$15/person including dinner and the game

## There's Always Room at the Table!

always

Our next church-wide lunch will be taking place on **Sunday, May 5**, after the 11 am service. These meals have been a wonderful way to enjoy fellowship with members of all ages and stages, and we hope you will mark your calendars to join us once again. While we try to accommodate even last-minute folks, reservations help us to have enough food for everyone. Look for more information about the menu and sign-ups in the weeks ahead!

## One Great Hour of Sharing

Each year on Easter Sunday, our congregation participates in the One Great Hour of Sharing, a special offering of

#### our denomination that helps people to reclaim and restore their lives. Your gift to this offering allows Presbyterian Disaster Assistance to respond to communities around the world affected by disaster. It helps the Presbyterian Hunger Program work with Presbyterians and other partners to alleviate hunger and eliminate its causes in this country and internationally. It makes it possible for Self-Development of People to affirm the dignity of all by assisting in the empowerment of economically poor, oppressed, and disadvantaged members of our community. You may give to this offering during worship this morning, online, or by mailing a check to the church office. Thank you for your support.

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## Solar Under the Sun- Sign Up

SIGN UP FOR SOLAR SCHOOL WITH SOLAR UNDER THE SUN!

Solar Under the Sun is a ministry related to the Presbyterian Church (USA) that works to address energy poverty by installing solar power systems in developing countries where access to electricity is limited. Solar School is the training program for Solar Under



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the Sun. It is a hands-on, interactive program designed to equip team leaders with the necessary skills to form meaningful partnerships with communities in the developing world, assess their need for solar power, and design and install a solar power system. This spring's session of Solar School will be taking place at our church from **May 2-5, 2023**. Tuition is \$300, and scholarships from our church are available. This program is a great opportunity for engineers, contractors, and other handy folks to use their gifts in service of others. Contact Lindy Vogado (lindyvogado@secondpreslr.org) for more information.

# **Children & Family Ministry**

## Spring Family Retreat

### APR 12-13 AT FERNCLIFF

Join us for a special retreat celebrating families and time well spent together! The cost of the family retreat is \$125 per family which includes three meals and lodging.

**Register Online** by scanning the QR code. For more, contact Maggie Kirchner at (501) 352-3245.







## Vacation Bible School

### JUNE 10-16

Join us for an unforgettable week of fun, faith, and celebration at Vacation Bible School! From June 10th to 16th, immerse your children in the joy of **Start the Party: Celebrate the Good News** theme. Through engaging activities, music,

and lessons, they'll discover the incredible message of love and hope that the Good News brings us. Don't miss out—register your family now using the QR code and let the festivities begin!



## Vacation Bible School Volunteers

### JUNE 10-16

This summer you have the opportunity to make a difference in the life of children in our community through volunteering at Vacation Bible School. Without volunteers this incredible experience would not be possible. Scan the QR code to sign up and for more information.



### Youth Ministry

Come and worship God together as our Youth lead in worship on April 14 at 11:00AM.

Youth Sunday is a unique and creative worship experience. From creating a theme to designing the layout, from writing each word of prayer to practicing their public speaking,



this day is a celebration and opportunity to let our younger disciples guide us in worship. This year's theme is: Around the Table. With both new and old traditions we hope that you will join us as we worship God together, for there is room for everyone at the table. Elizabeth is asking for your prayers this week over our Youth as they prepare for Youth Sunday. This special worship service is the creation of our teen disciples' faith. We look forward to leading you in worship on April 14th at 11:00AM.

Saturday, April 13 1:00-5:00 Youth Sunday Dress Rehearsal Sunday, April 14 11:00 Youth Sunday Sunday, May 12 11:00 Confirmation Sunday

## Weekly Youth Activities

Youth Group Sundays 5:30-8:00 p.m.
Sunday School Sundays 9:50-10:50 a.m.
MS Girls Bible Study Wednesdays 6:00 p.m.
High School Small Group Wednesday 7:00-8:00 p.m.
Email Elizabeth Cahoon, <u>elizabethcahoon@secondpreslr.org</u> for more information.

## Young Adult Ministry

### THURSDAYS FROM 7-9PM

Join us for the following Young Adult weekly gatherings:

First Thursdays Bible Study at the Youth Building Second Thursdays Supper Club at the Youth Building Third Thursdays Game Night at various locations Fourth Thursdays Trivia Night at American Pie Pizza Email Elizabeth Cahoon,

elizabethcahoon@secondpreslr.org for more information.

## Praeclara Ringers Concert

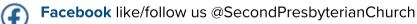


The Praeclara Ringers present a free concert on Sunday, April 21 at 3:00 pm. Please join us in the Great Hall for an hour of great music.

A simple reception will follow.

## Stay Connected

- Weekly Enewsletter send your email to info@secondpreslr.org





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### Calendar for the Week Ahead

SUN MAR 31 8:30 a.m. Worship 9:30 a.m. Easter Breakfast GH 11:00 a.m. Worship **MON APR 1** Office closed 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts & Cub Scouts 7:00 p.m. Volleyball GH **TUES APR 2** 7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study SH 9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting 5:30 p.m. Adult Ed Ministry Meeting Z 5:30 p.m. Property Ministry 61 7:00 p.m. Outreach Ministry Meeting SH WED APR 3 1:00 p.m. Newsletter Mailing 6:00 p.m. MS Girls Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Adult Choir 7:00 p.m. Belonging Ministry Meeting L **THURS APR 4** 12:00 p.m. Personnel Subcommittee HR 7:00 p.m. Young Adult Bible Study YB **SUN APR 7** 8:30 a.m. Worship 9:50 p.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Worship 12:00 p.m. Children & Families Ministry Meeting H 5:30 p.m. Middle School SPY 6:30 p.m. SPY Dinner 7:00 p.m. High School SPY

#### **VISION STATEMENT**



CHURCH OFFICERS Session Moderator: Ben Kane Clerk: Philip Shell Assistant Clerk:George Keck Treasurer:Kenneth Rich

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