

## **MUSIC**

Tim Bartlett, baritone  
Sharon Downs, soprano  
Little Rock String Quartet

## **ORGANIST**

Adam Savacool

*The family appreciates your presence and asks that you join them in  
Second Hall after the service for a reception.*

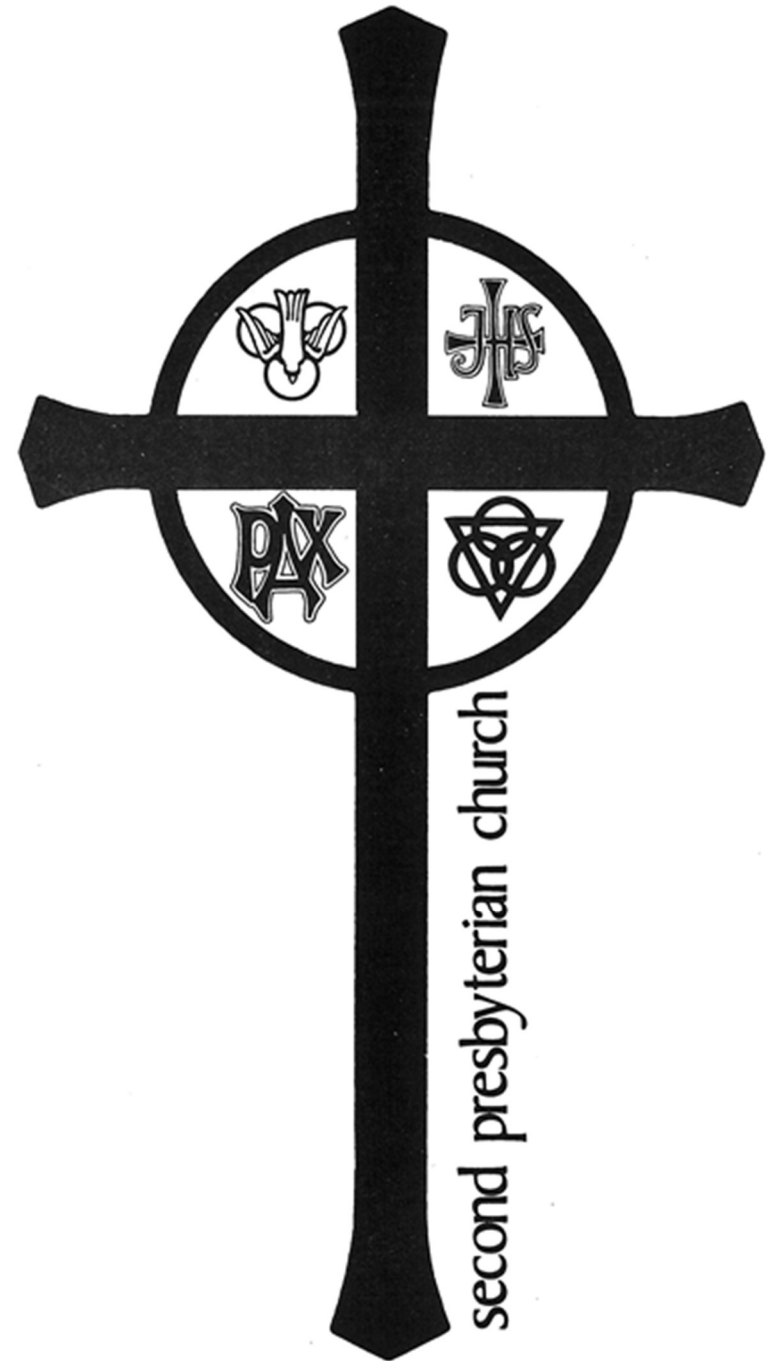
## **THE SERVICE OF WITNESS TO THE RESURRECTION**

The Service of Witness to the Resurrection is an affirmation of faith in God's love for all people, a love that strengthens and supports, even in the midst of grief. In this service we bear witness to the sure and certain hope of eternal life, promised in the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

The resurrection is a central doctrine of the Christian faith, and shapes Christians' attitudes and responses to the event of death. Death brings loss, sorrow, and grief to all. We don't deny those emotions and experiences. In the face of death Christians affirm with tears and joy the hope of the Gospel. The joy and triumph of Christ's resurrection is proclaimed through the hymns we sing, the prayers we offer and the scriptures we read.

Furthermore, Christians do not bear bereavement in isolation, but are sustained by the power of the Spirit in and through the community of faith. The church is that community of faith that offers a ministry of love and hope to all who grieve.

The Paschal Candles on the Communion table symbolize the light of the risen Christ, which shines even in the midst of the darkness of death. The cross above the chancel reminds us of Christ's ultimate sacrifice that gives us the gift of life after death. And the silences in our worship remind us of the loneliness of death that are greeted by the joyful sounds of worship, reminding us that God has triumphed over death.



SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS

NOVEMBER 16, 2024

1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

A SERVICE OF WITNESS TO THE RESURRECTION FOR  
HALLIE SPRAGINS SIMMINS

PRELUDE

GREETING

SENTENCES OF SCRIPTURE

OPENING PRAYER

\* HYMN No. 250 *Hymn of Promise* PROMISE

CELEBRATION OF LIFE Rev. Mark Lenneville

PSALTER PSALM 46:1-5; 10-11

God is our refuge and strength,  
a very present help in trouble.  
Therefore we will not fear,  
though the earth should change,  
though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea,  
though its waters roar and foam,  
though the mountains tremble with its tumult.  
There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,  
the holy habitation of the Most High.  
God is in the midst of the city;  
it shall not be moved;  
God will help it when the morning dawns.  
"Be still, and know that I am God!  
I am exalted among the nations;  
I am exalted in the earth."  
The LORD of hosts is with us;  
the God of Jacob is our refuge.

ANTHEM *Lift Thine Eyes* F. Mendelssohn

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Romans 8:38-39  
John 11:25  
John 14:1-6, 25-27

ANTHEM *Eternal Light: A Requiem* R. Goodall  
Tim Bartlett, baritone

HOMILY Rev. Elizabeth Cahoon

\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (UNISON) APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father, Almighty, Maker of heaven  
and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who  
was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin  
Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead,  
and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose  
again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and  
sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the  
dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic  
church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;  
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting.  
Amen.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

SOLO *The Lord's Prayer* A. Malotte  
Sharon Downs, soprano

\* HYMN No. 450 *Be Thou My Vision* SLANE

\* COMMENDATION

\* BENEDICTION

\* POSTLUDE

\* Please rise in body or spirit.

MINISTERS

Rev. Elizabeth Cahoon  
Rev. Dr. Benjamin E.E. Kane  
Rev. Mark Lenneville