



# THIS IS MY FATHER'S WORLD

## ORDER FOR THE PUBLIC WORSHIP of GOD

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### Preparation for Worship

Please prepare your heart for worship and silence your mobile devices.

Good morning and welcome to Second Presbyterian Church! Today, as the people of God, we have the privilege of coming to the table of our Savior together. From the Scriptures, we can infer three benefits of the Lord's Supper:

The first purpose of the Supper is to provide assurance of our salvation. The specific source of our encouragement is the body and blood of Christ (I Corinthians 11:29-30). We know that we are saved by putting our trust in the person and work of Christ, but the Lord's Supper is more than a mere remembrance. Celebrating the Lord's Supper helps our faith connect to the benefits Christ accomplished in His body, both in His life and death (I Corinthians 11:26).

Second, as we are connected more and more to the life of Christ, we actually become better worshipers. That is, the One who beholds God face-to-face helps us to see Him more and more (Colossians 3:1-4).

Finally, the measure of our increased obedience will be our growing love and service toward our brothers and sisters in Christ. The Lord's Supper helps us to increasingly see and love Christ. If that is true, then, by definition, our love for His brothers will grow as well (I Corinthians 11:17-22).

Therefore, as we feast on the Word of God and at His table in this service of worship, may we with sincere hearts rejoice and praise the One who, in love, has reconciled us to God and to each other!

## The Liturgy of the Word

#### ORGAN PRELUDE:

Fanfare and Trumpet Tune on "Holy, Holy, Holy" ...... Christopher Tambling "Gammal fäbodpsalm" (Old Swedish Tune from Dalecarlia) ..... Oskar Lindberg Samuel Metzger, organ

 CALL TO WORSHIP
 Barton Kimbro

 \*HYMN OF PRAISE: No. 91 "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"
 HYMN TO JOY

Words: Henry van Dyke / Music: Ludwig van Beethoven / Psalm 71:23

**<b>** INVOCATION (Please lift hands)

STATEMENT OF FAITH: Westminster Shorter Catechism Q. 38 . . . Marjorie Bowman (8:15) Blanche Tosh (11:00)

What benefits do believers receive from Christ at the resurrection?

At the resurrection, believers, raised in glory, will be publicly recognized and declared not guilty on the day of judgment and will be made completely happy in the full enjoyment of God forever.

This catechism will be the topic of the sermon this evening.

♦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE ...... MIT FREUDEN ZART

Words: Robert Liddon / Music: Heinrich Reimann / Luke 2:13-14

Glory to God, His name we laud; Our Father, love He shows us. And to His Son our praises run; He understands and knows us. To Holy Ghost our thanks shall be, To God fore'er in persons three. His loving care enfolds us.

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "O Be Joyful in the Lord" ......John Rutter

Music: John Rutter / Psalm 100

*O* be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands.

Serve the Lord with gladness, And come before His presence with a song. Be ye sure that the Lord, He is God: It is He that hath made us and not we ourselves; We are His people and the sheep of His pasture.

O go your way into His gates with thanksgiving, And into His courts with praise. Be thankful unto Him and speak good of His name. His mercy is everlasting, and His truth endureth From generation to generation.

Glory be to the Father; glory be to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: World without end, world without end. Amen.

> The Chancel Choir Calvin Ellis, director

#### Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

 PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING......Brett Wynne

GREETINGS

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION (Please stand)

#### **†**HYMN OF PREPARATION:

No. 496 "On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand" ...... THE PROMISED LAND Words: Samuel Stennett / Music: Christopher Miner, arr. Tuten / Revelation 21:23

This is our Hymn of the Month.

SCRIPTURE LESSON. ..... Exodus 13:14-16 (pages 55 in pew Bible)

The grass withers, the flower fades,

but the Word of our God will stand forever. (Isaiah 40:8)

SERMON

Way Out

George Robertson

## The Liturgy of the Table

#### INVITATION TO THE TABLE

This is the Lord's table. All who profess their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ are invited to receive communion. If this is not your faith, we would still encourage you to walk forward, knowing that no one will make you take the elements. Any of our elders or pastors will be happy to talk to you about questions or doubts you have about faith in Christ. We encourage children not to take communion until they have joined the church but do welcome them to come forward with their parents to receive a blessing. If you are unable to come forward, please raise your hand and an elder will serve you in your seat. For those in the balcony, please remain seated, and the elements will be served to you in your pew. All communion wafers are gluten free. PROFESSION OF OUR FAITH ...... The 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. 
**†**GLORIA PATRI
 .... GREATOREX Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, World without end. Amen, Amen! CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION Loving Father, who sent Your Son to seek and to save the lost, to deliver captives, to give rest to the weary, and to heal the hurting: we confess that we have lost our way. Forgive our wayward and willful disobedience. Forgive us for every thought, word, or deed that has brought hurt to others, harmed ourselves, or dishonored Your name. Grace us with Your Holy Spirit, and lead us once again in the way that leads to life. INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON..... If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION 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.

#### SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

During this time, we invite you to join in singing the hymns printed in bold below.

"Come to Me" .......Dan Forrest

Music: Dan Forrest / Matthew 11:25, 28-29, II Corinthians 6:18, I John 3:1

Come. Come to Me, all you who labor, come to Me, and I will give you rest. Come to Me, all who are weary and burdened, and you will find rest for your souls.

Come, My child, learn My heart, for I am gentle and lowly.

See how great My love for you, that I have called you My child.

Come, come to Me. Oh, come to Me, all who are weary and burdened, And you will find rest for your souls.

> Justin Wadkins, soloist Kenneth Coca, cello

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died, My richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ my God: All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to His blood.

See, from His head, His hands, His feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down: Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

"Behold the Lamb"...... Townend

Words and Music: Keith Getty and Stuart Townend / Ezekiel 44:16

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

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.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Words: Isaac Watts / Music: Lowell Mason / Galatians 6:14

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small; Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

**†**BENEDICTION (please raise hands)

**†**CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

ORGAN POSTLUDE: "The People Respond: Amen! (from Rubrics) ..... Dan Locklair

Indicates congregation standing

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#### Way Out

#### I. By Words

II. By Relationship

#### Getting Connected at Second

A pastor will be available after the service to pray for you in the Gathering Room, located on the left as you exit the southwest door of the Sanctuary. To find out more about who we are and how you can become part of our church community, or for help with specific concerns, you may contact a member of our pastoral team listed below by calling (901) 454-0034 or emailing *firstname.lastname@2pc.org*.

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