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Trinity Season



PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

*As you enter the Sanctuary, please prepare your heart for worship
and silence your mobile devices.*

Corporate worship serves as a spiritual conversation between our heavenly Lord and us. James reminds us of what is supposed to happen when we gather for worship: "Draw near to God and he will draw near to you" (4:8).

Those who lead us in worship are tasked with facilitating this conversation between God and His people. This dialogical framework permeates our services: God speaks to us and we respond to Him. Sometimes our leaders speak for God to us and, other times, they speak to God for us.

Let us prepare our hearts to meet with the One who delights to be called our friend. John Owen offers us this simple prayer to guide us: "Christ is our best friend now, and, before long, He will be our only friend... Therefore, I pray to God with all my heart that I may be weary of everything else but to converse and commune with Him."

This is a most fitting prayer for us as we resume our sermon series through the book of Colossians where the Apostle Paul draws out the practical implications of our union with Christ by faith. Let us prepare our hearts to worship God.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

ORGAN PRELUDE: "All People That On Earth Do Dwell" Fred Bock
Samuel Metzger, organ

INSTRUMENTAL PRELUDE: October from "The Seasons" . . . Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky
Daniel Pollorena, piano

SCRIPTURAL CALL TO WORSHIP Dan G. Burns

♠HYMN OF PRAISE: No. 76 "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven" . . . LAUDA ANIMA
stanzas 1-4

♠PROPHETIC LESSON: Daniel 7:9-14 Ethan Knight

As I looked, thrones were placed, and the Ancient of Days took his seat;
his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool;
his throne was fiery flames; its wheels were burning fire.

**A stream of fire issued and came out from before him;
a thousand thousands served him,
and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him;
the court sat in judgment, and the books were opened.**

And as I looked, the beast was killed,
and its body destroyed and given over to be burned with fire.
As for the rest of the beasts, their dominion was taken away,
but their lives were prolonged for a season and a time.

**I saw in the night visions,
and behold, with the clouds of heaven
there came one like a son of man,**

and he came to the Ancient of Days and was presented before him.
And to him was given dominion and glory and a kingdom,

**that all peoples, nations, and languages
should serve him;**

his dominion is an everlasting dominion,
which shall not pass away,

and his kingdom one that shall not be destroyed.

✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE LAUDA ANIMA

**Angels, help us to adore Him;
You behold Him face to face;
Sun and moon, bow down before Him,
Dwellers all in time and space.
Praise Him, praise Him, praise Him,
Praise Him with us the God of grace. Amen.**

✦ PRAYER OF ADORATION

✦ GREETINGS Michael C. Davis

PRAYER FOR EDUCATORS

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN J. Ronald Hickman

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me" arr. K. Lee Scott

Gracious Spirit, dwell with me, I would gracious be;
Help me now Thy grace to see, I would be like Thee;
And, with words that help and heal, Thy life would mine reveal.
And, with actions bold and meek, for Christ, my Savior, speak.

Truthful Spirit, dwell with me, I would truthful be;
Help me now Thy truth to see, I would be like Thee.
And, with wisdom kind and clear, Thy life in mine appear;
And, with actions brotherly, speak Christ's sincerity.

Holy Spirit, dwell with me, I would holy be;
Show Thy mercy tenderly, make me more like Thee.
Separate from sin, I would and cherish all things good,
And whatever I can be, give Him who gave me Thee.

Mighty Spirit, dwell with me, I would mighty be;
Help me now Thy pow'r to see, I would be like Thee.
'Gainst all weapons hell can wield, be Thou my strength and shield;
Let Thy word my weapon be, Lord, Thine the victory.

Gracious Spirit, dwell with me, I would be like Thee!

*The Chancel Choir
Christy Young, Director*

✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE Keith Getty, Stuart Townend

**Holy Spirit, living Breath of God,
Breathe new life into my willing soul.
Bring the presence of the risen Lord
To renew my heart and make me whole.
Cause Your Word to come alive in me;
Give me faith for what I cannot see;
Give me passion for Your purity.
Holy Spirit, breathe new life in me.**

✦ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

EPISTLE LESSON Colossians 3:1-4
(page 984 in the pew Bible)

All flesh is grass, and all its beauty is like the flower of the field;
**The grass withers, the flower fades,
but the Word of our God will stand forever. Amen.** *(Isaiah 40:6b, 8)*

HOMILY *Identity Orientation* D. Todd Erickson

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

✦ INVITATION TO THE TABLE

All those who have publicly professed their faith and joined a Christian church as a communing member are warmly welcomed to receive communion today. Non-communing worshippers are encouraged to contemplate the love of Jesus Christ during this time. At Second Presbyterian, we encourage our children not to take communion until they have joined the church as communicant members.

We do, however, encourage non-communing children to come forward with their parents to receive a blessing. Those wishing to be served communion together as a group or family, please stand together in front of the two serving elders before taking the elements.

Gluten-free communion bread is available upon request from the elder at the east side of the transverse aisle (opposite from the door leading to the Connector).

✦ PROFESSION OF 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

**Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against You
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved You with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent,
for the sake of Your Son Jesus Christ;
have mercy on us and forgive us,
that we may delight in Your will
and walk in Your ways
for the glory of Your Name. Amen.**

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

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

For those unable to come forward for communion, please raise your hand and an elder will serve you in your seat. Throughout this time of communion, we invite you to join in singing the hymns below.

*"Out of My Bondage, Sorrow, and Night" JESUS, I COME
(Refer to music on page 503 in the hymnal)*

**Out of my bondage, sorrow, and night, Jesus I come, Jesus, I come,
Into Thy freedom, gladness, and light, Jesus, I come to Thee;
Out of my sickness into Thy health, out of my want and into Thy wealth,
Out of my sin and into Thyself, Jesus, I come to Thee.**

**Out of my shameful failure and loss, Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come;
Into the glorious gain of Thy cross, Jesus, I come to Thee;
Out of earth's sorrows into Thy balm, out of life's storms and into Thy calm,
Out of distress to jubilant psalm, Jesus, I come to Thee.**

**Out of unrest and arrogant pride, Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come,
Into Thy blessed will to abide, Jesus, I come to Thee.
Out of myself to dwell in Thy love, out of despair into raptures above,
Upward for aye on wings like a dove, Jesus, I come to Thee.**

**Out of the fear and dread of the tomb, Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come,
Into the joy and light of Thy home, Jesus, I come to Thee;
Out of the depths of ruin untold, into the peace of Thy sheltering fold,
Ever Thy glorious face to behold, Jesus, I come to Thee.**

"Before the Throne of God Above" Charitie Lees Bancroft, Vikki Cook

**Before the throne of God above, I have a strong, a perfect plea,
A great High Priest whose name is "Love," who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on His hands, my name is written on His heart;
I know that while in heav'n He stands
No tongue can bid me thence depart.
No tongue can bid me thence depart.**

**When Satan tempts me to despair, and tells me of the guilt within,
Upward I look and see Him there who made an end to all my sin.
Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free;
For God, the Just, is satisfied
To look on Him and pardon me.
To look on Him and pardon me.**

**Behold Him there the risen Lamb, my perfect, spotless Righteousness,
The great unchangeable I AM, the King of glory and of grace!
One with Himself I cannot die, my soul is purchased by His blood;
My life is hid with Christ on high,
With Christ, my Savior and my God.
With Christ, my Savior and my God.**

“Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me”NEW CITY FELLOWSHIP
(Refer to music on page 500 in the hymnal)

Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in Thee;
Let the water and the blood, from Thy riven side which flowed,
Be of sin the double cure, cleanse me from its guilt and pow’r.

Not the labors of my hands can fulfil Thy law’s demands;
Could my zeal no respite know, could my tears forever flow,
All for sin could not atone; Thou must save, and Thou alone.

Nothing in my hand I bring, simply to Thy cross I cling;
Naked, come to Thee for dress; helpless, look to Thee for grace;
Foul, I go to the Fountain fly; wash me, Savior, or I die.

While I draw this fleeting breath, when mine eyelids close in death,
When I soar to worlds unknown, see Thee on Thy judgment throne,
Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in Thee.

“Behold the Lamb” Keith and Kristyn Getty, Stuart Townend

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
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

✦HYMN OF COMMITMENTKeith and Kristyn Getty, Stuart Townend

And so with thankfulness and faith we rise
To respond, and to remember
Our call to follow in the steps of Christ
As His body here on earth.
As we share in His suffering
We proclaim Christ will come again!
And we’ll join in the feast of heaven
Around the table of the King.

✦BENEDICTION

✦CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

ORGAN POSTLUDE: “Toccata on “Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart”Albert Travis

✦Indicates congregation standing

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