Order for the Public Worship of God

The Thirteenth Day of March, Two Thousand and Eleven

First Sunday in Lent

8:15 a.m. • The Sanctuary

As you enter the Sanctuary, please assume a quiet and respectful attitude of worship. Please turn off your cell phone.

THE FELLOWSHIP OF THE WORD

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ORGAN PRELUDE: "Pastorale"		J.S. Bach
Lene	ora Morrow, Organist	
A WORD ON WORSHIP	Friends of Jesus	Sanders L. Willson
CALL TO WORSHIP: "I Will Arise	and Go to Jesus"	
Come, ye sinners, poor and wre Jesus ready stands to save you,		
I will arise and go to Jesus, He In the arms of my dear Savior,		
Come, ye weary, heavy laden, b If you tarry 'til you're better, yo		fall;
Let no conscience make you ling All the fitness He requireth is to		lream.
Annie Petzinge	er, Carolyn Wells, and Terri	Theil
♦HYMN OF PRAISE: No. 498 "Jesus	s, What a Friend for Sinne stanzas 1-4	ers"Hyfrydol
*READING FROM THE GOSPELS:	John 15:12-17	Bill C. Weber
This is my commandment, t	hat you love one anoth	er as I have loved you.
Greater love has no one that someone lay down		s.
You are my friends if you do	what I command you	
No longer do I call you for the servant does not but I have called you fr for all that I have heard I have made known to	t know what his maste riends, I from my Father	er is doing;
You did not choose me, but I that you should go and bear so that whatever you ask the	fruit and that your fru	uit should abide,
These things I comman so that you will love or	5	
†CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE		Hyfrydol
Jesus! I do now receive Him He hath granted me forgive Hallelujah! what a Savior! H Saving, helping, keeping, lo	ness, I am His, and He Iallelujah! what a Frien	is mine. nd!
†PRAYER OF ADORATION		Michael G. Stokke
PRESENTATION OF GIFTS TO GO	OD	

OFFERTORY SOLO: "Beneath the Cross of Jesus" Keith Getty Beneath the cross of Jesus I find a place to stand, And wonder at such mercy that calls me as I am. For hands that should discard me hold wounds which tell me, come. Beneath the cross of Jesus my unworthy soul is won. Beneath the cross of Jesus His family is my own. Once strangers chasing selfish dreams; now one through grace alone. How could I now dishonor the ones that You have loved? Beneath the cross of Jesus see the children called by God. Beneath the cross of Jesus—the path before the crown, We follow in His footsteps where promised hope is found. How great the joy before us to be His perfect bride. Beneath the cross of Jesus we will gladly live our lives. Terri Theil, Soloist 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. 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. ♦ PRAYER OF DEDICATION...... Andrew P. Wells **♦**GREETINGS PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION READING FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT..... I Samuel 18:1-5 (page 241 in 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) LENTEN HOMILY Sanders L. Willson The Jesus Mission: **Making Friends** PRAYER OF COMMITMENT THE FELLOWSHIP OF THE TABLE INVITATION TO THE TABLE communicant members. We do, however, encourage non-communing children to come forward with their parents to receive a blessing.

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 worshipers 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

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.

♦PROFESSION OF FAITH The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds,

God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,

begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by Whom all things were made;

Who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary,

and was made man,

and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;

He suffered and was buried;

and the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures,

and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead;

Whose Kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son;

who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets;

and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

♦GLORIA PATRI

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

Holy Jesus, Friend of sinners,

have mercy on us,

for we have failed our friends

and have fallen short of Your commands.

We have especially sinned against You, our dearest Friend,

by not loving You with all our hearts,

as You have loved us.

Please forgive us;

and rekindle our devotion to You

and our affection for one another

that Your Name may be forever praised. Amen.

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

My sin—O the bliss of this glorious thought!—

My sin, not in part, but the whole,

Is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more;

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

It is well with my soul; It is well, it is well with my soul.

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.

"Just As I Am, Without One Plea"..... Woodworth

Just as I am, without one plea but that Thy blood was shed for me, And that Thou bidd'st me come to Thee, O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, and waiting not to rid my soul of one dark blot, To Thee, whose blood can cleanse each spot, O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, though tossed about with many a conflict, many a doubt, Fightings and fears within, without, O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind; sight, riches, healing of the mind, Yea, all I need, in Thee to find, O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am! Thou wilt receive, wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve; Because Thy promise I believe, O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am! Thy love unknown has broken ev'ry barrier down; Now, to be Thine, yea, Thine alone, O Lamb of God, I come.

I lay my sins on Jesus, the spotless Lamb of God; He bears them all, and frees us from the accursed load: I bring my guilt to Jesus, to wash my crimson stains White in His blood most precious, till not a spot remains.

I lay my wants on Jesus; all fullness dwells in Him; He heals all my diseases, He doth my soul redeem: I lay my griefs on Jesus, my burdens and my cares; He from them all releases, He all my sorrows shares.

I rest my soul on Jesus, this weary soul of mine; His right hand me embraces, I on His breast recline. I love the Name of Jesus, Immanuel, Christ, the Lord; Like fragrance on the breezes His Name abroad is poured.

I long to be like Jesus, meek, loving, lowly, mild; I long to be like Jesus, the Father's holy Child; I long to be with Jesus amid the heav'nly throng, To sing with saints His praises, to learn the angels' song.

'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, just to take Him at His word; Just to rest upon His promise; just to know, thus saith the Lord.

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him! How I've proved Him o'er and o'er! Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! O for grace to trust Him more.

O how sweet to trust in Jesus, just to trust His cleansing blood; Just in simple faith to plunge me 'neath the healing, cleansing flood!

Yes, 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus, just from sin and self to cease; Just from Jesus simply taking life and rest, and joy and peace.

I'm so glad I learned to trust Thee, precious Jesus, Savior, Friend; And I know that Thou art with me, wilt be with me to the end.

"Loved with Everlasting Love" Everlasting Love

Loved with everlasting love, drawn by grace that love to know, Spirit sent from Christ above, Thou dost witness it is so. O this full and precious peace from His presence all divine; In a love that cannot cease, I am His and He is mine. His forever, only His— who the Lord and me shall part? Ah, with what a rest of bliss Christ can fill the loving heart. Heav'n and earth may fade and flee, first-born light in gloom decline, But while God and I shall be, I am His and He is mine.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

†HYMN OF GRATITUDE: No. 629 "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" . . What a Friend stanza 1

- **†BENEDICTION**
- **†CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN**

♦ *Indicates congregation standing*

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Instrumentalists: Paul Turnbow, Long Long Kang, violin; Beth Luscombe, viola; Mark Wallace, cello

We consider it a privilege to have our children in worship with us. If your small children become restless and vocal, we invite you to the children's room especially designed for them at the rear of the Sanctuary. They are also welcome in the nursery. Older children should also be encouraged to come to church prepared to stay in their pew throughout the service.

One of our pastors will be available after the service to pray for you or to offer helpful direction regarding your spiritual life. He will be in the Gathering Room, which is the first room on your left as you exit the southwest door of the Sanctuary (closest to the pulpit). You may also send your confidential email to pastor@2pc.org with questions about your spiritual life.