# Order for the Public Worship of God

# The Nineteenth Day of June, Two Thousand and Eleven *Trinity Sunday*

8:15 and 11:00 a.m. • The Sanctuary

As you enter the Sanctuary, please assume a quiet and respectful attitude of worship.

Please silence your mobile devices.

"Under the shadow of Your Throne, Your saints have dwelt secure."

- William Croft, 1719

Lenora Morrow, Organist

Text from Psalm 46:10

Be still and know that I am God: I will be exalted among the heathen: I will be exalted in all the earth.

> The Westminster Singers (8:15) · The Chancel Choir (11:00) Gabriel C. Statom, Director of Music Hannah Good, Soloist

**†**HYMN TO THE TRINITY:

No. 103 "Holy God, We Praise Your Name" . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Grosser Gott, Wir Loben Dich

READING FROM THE EPISTLES: Ephesians 1:3-14 . . . . . . . . . . Bill C. Weber (8:15) Christopher M. Taylor (11:00)

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him.

In love he predestined us for adoption as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved.

In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.

In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will, so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of his glory.

In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit,

who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of his glory.

 CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE
 GROSSER GOTT, WIR LOBEN DICH

Father, Son, and Holy Ghost

We are gathered all to hear You.

Grant that we Your grace receive,

That we seek and love and fear You. Now receive the songs we raise

To Your everlasting praise.

### **†PRAYER OF ADORATION**

READING FROM THE GOSPELS . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Matthew 23:37-39

"O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it!

How often would I have gathered your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you would not!

See, your house is left to you desolate.

For I tell you, you will not see me again, until you say, 'Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.'"

#### CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God,

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,

Who is to be worshipped, adored, trusted, and served,

we confess that we, Your people,

have often refused to gather under Your wings,

but as rebellious children have sought pleasure and refuge elsewhere.

Our wayward lives have become desolate.

Please forgive our foolish pride, our wayward deeds, and our hard hearts. Rule over us again,

and restore to us the joy of our salvation

and the purpose of our lives,

that we may forever exalt Your Holy Name,

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

## INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

# ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

♦HYMN OF SALVATION: No. 457 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" . . . . . Nettleton

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS TO GOD . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Andrew P. Wells

Salvation is created in the midst of the earth, O God, our God. Alleluia.

 CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE
 Amazing Grace

Amazing grace! how sweet the sound— That saved a wretch like me!

I once was lost, but now am found,

Was blind, but now I see.

Thro' many dangers, toils and snares, I have already come;

'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far, And grace will lead me home.

When we've been there ten thousand years, Bright shining as the sun, We've no less days to sing God's praise

Than when we've first begun.

#### **†PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION**

#### **†**GREETINGS

#### PRAYER FOR OUR FATHERS

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN (8:15) ...... Margaret S. Stephens

#### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION 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.

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

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)

SERMON The Essence of Grace

Sanders L. Willson

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

 $\phi$ HYMN OF WONDER: No. 455 "And Can It Be That I Should Gain" . . . . . . . . SAGINAstanzas~1, 4~&~5

### **†BENEDICTION**

**†**CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

♦Indicates congregation standing

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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.

# Sunday Night Worship - 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

We gather each Sunday evening for an informal worship service — a time of prayer, praise, and teaching from God's Word. Our morning and evening services frame our weekly Lord's Day worship. We invite you to worship with us.