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The Eleventh Day of September, Two Thousand and Eleven 8:15 a.m. · The Sanctuary

SEASON of TRINITY

ENTERING HIS PRESENCE WITH REVERENCE

ORGAN PRELUDE: "Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation"Richard Proulx Lenora Morrow, organist

As you enter the Sanctuary, please assume a quiet and respectful attitude of worship. Please silence your mobile devices.

CALL TO CONFESSION: II Chronicles 7:14Timothy L. Russell

If my people who are called by my name humble themselves, and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways,

then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land.

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Heavenly Father, Who bids us humble ourselves and seek Your face that we may receive Your grace and forgiveness, we now turn from the idols of this world to the beauty of Your love, asking that You forgive us for all of our sins: our pride and greed and lust and foolishness, our hard heartedness and our worldly mindedness. We are truly sorry, and we earnestly repent. Grant to us the joy of our salvation and the power of Your Spirit that we may hereafter honor You with our faithfulness, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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.

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.

SINGING HIS PRAISE WITH REJOICING

DECLARATION OF HIS GLORY

stanzas 1, 4 & 5 Latecomers will be seated at this time.

†PRAYER OF ADORATION

SCRIPTURE READING: Daniel 4	Ben J. Scott
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)
CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE	OLD HUNDREDTH
Our God is King of all the earth, With grateful heart His praise make known; O'er all the nations God does reign, Exalted on His holy throne.	
Praise God from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.	
PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS	Michael G. Stokke
OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "My Eternal King" Jane M. Marshall	
My God, I love Thee; not just for the hope of heaven thereby, Nor yet because who love Thee not must die eternally. Thou, O my Jesus, Thou didst me upon the cross embrace; For me didst nails and spear, and manifold grace. Why, then why, O blessed Jesus Christ, should I not love Thee well? Not just the hope of winning heaven, Nor of escaping hell, nor with the hope of gaining aught Nor seeking a reward; but as Thyself has loved me, O everloving Lord! E'en so I love Thee, and will love and in Thy praise will sing; Simply because Thou are my God, and my Eternal King.	
The Westminster Singers Gabriel C. Statom, Director of Music	

Sing praise to God Who reigns above, the God of all creation, The God of pow'r, the God of love, the God of our salvation. With healing balm my soul He fills, and ev'ry faithless murmur stills: To God all praise and glory.

What God's almighty pow'r hath made His gracious mercy keepeth, By morning glow or evening shade His watchful eye ne'er sleepeth. Within the kingdom of His might, lo! All is just and all is right: To God all praise and glory.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

♦GREETINGS

HEARING HIS WORD WITH REPENTANCE AND FAITH

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN (8:15)W. Brian Lewis

PRAYER FOR OUR CHURCH TEACHERS

SERMON

Text: Daniel 4:37

"Now I, Nebuchadnezzar, praise and extol and honor the King of heaven, for all his works are right and his ways are just; and those who walk in pride he is able to humble."

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 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 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.

*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.

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.

THE COMMUNION OF BREAD AND 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.

"At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing" ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR

At the Lamb's high feast we sing Praise to our victorious King, Who has washed us in the tide Flowing from His pierced side; Praise we Him whose love divine Gives His sacred blood for wine, Gives His body for the feast, Christ the victim Christ the priest.

Where the paschal blood is poured, Death's dread angel sheathes the sword; Israel's hosts triumphant go Through the wave that drowns the foe. Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, Paschal victim, paschal bread; With sincerity and love Eat we manna from above.

Mighty victim from the sky, Hell's fierce pow'rs beneath You lie; You have conquered in the fight, You have brought us life and light: Hymns of glory and of praise, Risen Lord, to Thee we raise; Holy Father, praise to Thee, With the Spirit, ever be.

"Before the Throne of God Above" Bancroft/Cook

Before the throne of God above, I have a strong and 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 of 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. "Lead On, O King Eternal"..... LANCASHIRE

Lead on, O King eternal, the day of march has come; Henceforth in fields of conquest Thy tents shall be our home: Through days of preparation Thy grace has made us strong, And now, O King eternal, we lift our battle song.

Lead on, O King eternal, till sin's fierce war shall cease, And holiness shall whisper the sweet amen of peace; For not with swords loud clashing, nor roll of stirring drums, But deeds of love and mercy, the heav'nly Kingdom comes.

Lead on, O King eternal: we follow, not with fears; For gladness breaks like morning wher-e'er Thy face appears; Thy cross is lifted o'er us; we journey in its light: The crown awaits the conquest; lead on, O God of might.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

HYMN OF SUPPLICATION: No. 713 "Great King of Nations, Hear Our Prayer" . . ST. ANNE stanzas 1, 4 & 6

♦BENEDICTION

†CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

ORGAN POSTLUDE: "Allegro Maestoso from Sonata IV" F. Mendelssohn

†*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.