

THINK.

FOUNDATIONS *of a* CHRISTIAN WORLDVIEW



going deeper

“Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind”

ROMANS 12:2



Order for the Public Worship of God

Season of Epiphany

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

ORCHESTRAL PRELUDE: "Brandenburg Concerto No. 2" J.S. Bach

Lenora Morrow, Organist

Praising God with Rejoicing

CHORAL INTROIT: "Achieved Is the Glorious Work" Haydn

Achieved is the glorious work;
Our song let be the praise of God.
He sole on high exalted reigns. Hallelujah!
Glory to His name forever. Hallelujah!

*The Westminster Singers (8:15), The Chancel Choir (11:00)
Gabriel C. Statom, Director of Music*

CALL TO WORSHIP D. Todd Erickson

✦HYMN OF PRAISE: "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" ODE TO JOY

**Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee, opening to the sun above,
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive the dark of doubt away;
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.**

**All Thy works with joy surround Thee, earth and heaven reflect Thy rays,
Stars and angels sing around Thee, center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea,
Chanting bird and flowing fountain, call us to rejoice in Thee.**

**Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest,
Wellspring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ, our Brother— all who live in love are Thine;
Teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine.**

**Mortals, join the happy chorus which the morning stars began;
Father love is reigning o'er us, brother love binds man to man.
Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife,
Joyful music leads us sunward in the triumph song of life.**

✦READING FROM THE PSALMS: Psalm 8 Courtney T. Humphreys (8:15)
Gregory T. Wilkinson (11:00)

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!
You have set your glory above the heavens.

**Out of the mouth of babies and infants,
you have established strength because of your foes,
to still the enemy and the avenger.**

When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,

the moon and the stars, which you have set in place,

what is man that you are mindful of him,

and the son of man that you care for him?

Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings

and crowned him with glory and honor.

You have given him dominion over the works of your hands;

**you have put all things under his feet,
all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field,**

the birds of the heavens, and the fish of the sea,
whatever passes along the paths of the seas.

**O Lord, our Lord,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!**

✠CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE ODE TO JOY

**God of glory, power, mercy, all creation praises Thee;
We, Thy creatures, would adore Thee now and through eternity.
Saved to magnify Thy goodness, grant that we extol Thy Name;
With our hearts as with our voices now Thy praises to proclaim.**

✠PRAYER OF ADORATION

Approaching God with Reverence

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Almighty God, Creator of the heavens and the earth,
Who made us in Your image to rule over all Your creation,
we confess with sorrow that we have failed to serve You faithfully:
we have selfishly sinned against our neighbor,
and we have foolishly violated Your commandments.
We are truly sorry and humbly repent.
Please forgive us for all of our transgressions,
and renew within us a right spirit
that we may forever serve You and thereby glorify Your matchless Name,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

✠HYMN OF SALVATION: "In Christ Alone" Keith Getty

**In Christ alone my hope is found,
He is my light, my strength, my song;
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My Comforter, my All in All,
Here in the love of Christ I stand.**

**In Christ alone! Who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save:
Till on that cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied—
For every sin on Him was laid;
Here in the death of Christ I live.**

**There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain:
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
For I am His and He is mine—
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.**

**No guilt in life, no fear in death,
This is the power of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand;
Till He returns or calls me home,
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.**

**No power of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand;
Till He returns or calls me home,
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.**

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "By Faith" Keith Getty

By faith we see the hand of God
In the light of creation's grand design,
In the lives of those who prove His faithfulness,
Who walk by faith and not by sight.

By faith our fathers roamed the earth
With pow'r of His promise in their hearts
Of a holy city built by God's own hand,
A place where peace and justice reign.

*We will stand as children of the promise;
We will fix our eyes on Him our soul's reward.
Till the race is finished and the work is done,
We'll walk by faith and not by sight.*

By faith the prophets saw a day
When the longed-for Messiah would appear
With the pow'r to break the chains of sin and death
And rise triumphant from the grave.

By faith the church was called to go
In the pow'r of the Spirit to the lost
To deliver captives and to preach good news
In ev'ry corner of the earth.

By faith this mountain shall be moved,
And the pow'r of the gospel shall prevail.
For we know in Christ all things are possible
For all who call upon His name.

♠ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE Keith Getty

**We will stand as children of the promise;
We will fix our eyes on Him our soul's reward.
Till the race is finished and the work is done,
We'll walk by faith and not by sight.**

♠ PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

♠ GREETINGS

Hearing God's Word with Repentance and Faith

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN (8:15)

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER. Sanders L. Willson

**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.**

READING FROM THE ACTS. Acts 17:16-34
(page 926 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)

SERMON *Worldview Evangelism* Philip G. Ryken

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

♣PSALM OF MISSION: No. 437 "O God, to Us Show Mercy" MEIRIONYDD

♣BENEDICTION

♣CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

ORGAN POSTLUDE: "Praeludium in C" J.S. Bach

♣Indicates congregation standing *CCLI License #252778*

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.

Philip Ryken

Our preacher this morning is Wheaton College's eighth president. He earned a master of divinity degree from Westminster Theological Seminary and a doctorate in historical theology from the University of Oxford. Ryken returned from England to join the pastoral staff at Tenth Presbyterian Church in Philadelphia in 1995, preaching there until his appointment at Wheaton.



Combined CCs with Michael Ramsden

All adult Congregational Communities (CCs) will meet together in the Sanctuary at 9:45 a.m. today with Michael Ramsden as part of our CLC conference. Ramsden has been the European Director of RZIM Zacharias Trust since its foundation in 1997. He grew up in the Middle East, is a passionate evangelist and apologist, and a Lecturer in Christian Apologetics at Wycliffe Hall, University of Oxford, where his main involvement is with the Oxford Centre for Christian Apologetics.

Sunday Night Worship

Tonight's worship service at 6 p.m. in the Sanctuary will conclude our Christian Life Conference. Don't miss our final conference message, "The Christian Worldview: Arrogant, Ignorant, or Accurate?" with Michael Ramsden.