

Order *for the* Public
Worship *of* God

March 18, 2012



Praising His Name

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

ORCHESTRAL PRELUDE: "What Wondrous Love Is This" arr. Paul Jones

A WORD ON WORSHIP *Purchased By His Blood* Sanders L. Willson

CHORAL INTROIT: "Surely, He Hath Borne Our Grievs" G.F. Handel
text from Isaiah 53:4-5

Surely, surely, He hath borne our griefs,
And carried our sorrows: He was wounded for our transgressions,
He was bruised for our iniquities:
The chastisement of our peace was upon Him.

*Laudis Domini Vocal Ensemble
Gabriel C. Statom, Director of Music*

CALL TO WORSHIP D. Todd Erickson

✦HYMN OF ADORATION: No. 247 "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded" PASSION CHORALE

✦PSALTER READING: Psalm 22:1-4, 6, 16-23. Margaret S. Stephens (8:15)
David T. Popwell (11:00)

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?
Why are you so far from saving me, from the words of my groaning?

**O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer,
and by night, but I find no rest.**

Yet you are holy, enthroned on the praises of Israel.

**In you our fathers trusted;
they trusted, and you delivered them.**

But I am a worm and not a man,
scorned by mankind and despised by the people.

**For dogs encompass me; a company of evildoers encircles me;
they have pierced my hands and feet—**

I can count all my bones— they stare and gloat over me;
they divide my garments among them,
and for my clothing they cast lots.

**But you, O Lord, do not be far off!
O you my help, come quickly to my aid!**

Deliver my soul from the sword,
my precious life from the power of the dog!

**Save me from the mouth of the lion!
You have rescued me from the horns of the wild oxen!**

I will tell of your name to my brothers;
in the midst of the congregation I will praise you:

**You who fear the Lord, praise him!
All you offspring of Jacob, glorify him,
and stand in awe of him, all you offspring of Israel!**

✦CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE PASSION CHORALE

**O Jesus, we adore Thee, upon the cross, our King!
We bow our hearts before Thee, Thy gracious name we sing.
That name hath brought salvation, that name in life our stay,
Our peace, our consolation, when life shall fade away.**

✦PRAYER OF DEVOTION

INSTRUMENTAL PRAISE: "Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee" arr. Michael Pinner

*Jesus, the very thought of Thee with sweetness fills my breast;
But sweeter far Thy face to see, and in Thy presence rest.*

Receiving His Grace

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Lord Jesus Christ,
Who suffered and died for us,
we have sinned against You by failing to love as we have been loved.
Please forgive us for all our sins,
and renew our hearts
that we may love you and our neighbor
and thereby glorify Your matchless Name. Amen.**

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

✦HYMN OF ATONEMENT: No. 254 "Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed" . . . MARTYRDOM

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS. Timothy L. Russell

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "O Death, Where Is Thy Sting"G.F. Handel
text from 1 Corinthians 15:55-57

O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?
The sting of death is sin, and the strength of sin is the law.
But thanks be to God, Who giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

✦CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE HALLELUJAH, WHAT A SAVIOR!

**Man, of Sorrows! what a name for the Son of God, Who came
Ruined sinners to reclaim: Hallelujah! what a Savior!**

**Bearing shame and scoffing rude, in my place condemned He stood,
Sealed my pardon with His blood: Hallelujah! what a Savior!**

**When He comes, our glorious King, all His ransomed home to bring,
Then anew this song we'll sing: Hallelujah! what a Savior!**

✦PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

✦GREETINGS

Believing His Word

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN (8:15)Robert C. O'Kelley

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS (11:00)

Angela Bringham, Alyssa Champion, Lois Crenshaw, Allison Day, David and Pam Dennis, Parker Dixon, Buck and Kim Dougherty, Daniel and Sherrill French, Ann Clare Guest, Patrick and Ashley Hodges, Jean Jones, John Killeen, Wes and Bre Lacey, Julie Martinet, Rick and Elena Pendell, Justin and Anna Pepper, Keaton and Jana Smith, *Angea Stewart-Woods, Rhea and Emily Taylor, Doug Tuttle, Josh and Jennifer Yates

To be received March 25, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.

*Emily Escue, Sonia Greer, Amanda Kull, Kay Lichterman, Tim and Courtney Morgan, Stephen and Missy Perkins, KaiCee Ponds, Sarah Quintal, Caroline Williamson

**to be baptised*

MEMBERSHIP VOWS

Do you acknowledge yourselves to be sinners in the sight of God and without hope for your salvation except in His sovereign mercy?

Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God and Savior of sinners, and do you receive and depend upon Him alone for your salvation as He is offered in the Gospel?

Do you now promise and resolve, in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit, that you will endeavor to live as becomes the followers of Christ?

Do you promise to serve Christ in His church by supporting and participating with this congregation in its service of God and its ministry to others to the best of your ability?

Do you submit yourselves to the government and discipline of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church and to the spiritual oversight of this church session, and do you promise to promote the unity, purity, and peace of the Church?

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.**

GOSPEL READING Mark 3:7-19
(page 838 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 *The Christian’s Calling* Sanders L. Willson

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

✦HYMN OF OBEDIENCE: No. 591 “Jesus Calls Us” GALILEE

✦BENEDICTION

✦CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

Please join our new members in the Connector just west of the Sanctuary following the 11:00 a.m. service to welcome them.

ORGAN POSTLUDE: “Festive Overture” G.F. Handel

✦Indicates congregation standing CCLI License #252778

Instrumentalists: Long Long Kang, Rebecca Ly, Amanda Kull, Tim Shiu, Paul Turnbow, violin; Beth Luscombe, Michelle-Pellay Walker, viola; Melina Albrecht, Ruth Burgess, cello; John Chiego, bass

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.