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PUBLIC WORSHIP *of* GOD

August 12, 2012
8:15 a.m.



The Liturgy of the Word

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

INSTRUMENTAL PRELUDE: "Adagio" from *Piano Concerto No. 5* . . . Ludwig Beethoven
Ginger Statom, piano with Chamber Orchestra

CHORAL INTROIT: "Praise the Lord" W.A. Mozart

Praise the Lord!
Joyfully sing to God forever.
Glory be to God, the Lord of all;
Praise the Lord forever!

*The Westminster Singers
Gabriel C. Statom, Director of Music*

CALL TO WORSHIP Andrew P. Wells

✦HYMN OF PRAISE: No. 53 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" LOBE DEN HERREN

✦PSALTER READING: Psalm 103:1-5, 20-22. Olin F. Morris

Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and all that is within me,
bless his holy name!

**Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and forget not all his benefits,**

who forgives all your iniquity,

who heals all your diseases,

who redeems your life from the pit,
who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,

**who satisfies you with good
so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.**

Bless the Lord, O you his angels,
you mighty ones who do his word,
obeying the voice of his word!

**Bless the Lord, all his hosts,
his ministers, who do his will!**

Bless the Lord, all his works,
in all places of his dominion.

Bless the Lord, O my soul!

✦DOXOLOGY OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

✦PRAYER OF ADORATION

COMMISSIONING OF THE WESTMINSTER SINGERS

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place"Johannes Brahms

Text from Psalm 84:1-2, 4

How lovely is Thy dwelling place, O Lord of Hosts.
For my soul, it longeth, yea, fainteth for the courts of the Lord;
My soul and body crieth out, yea, for the living God.
Blest are they that dwell within Thy house;
They praise Thy name evermore.

✠CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE MEIRIONYDD

**O Lord of Hosts, how lovely the place where Thou dost dwell!
Thy tabernacles holy in pleasantness excel.
My soul is longing, fainting, Jehovah's courts to see;
My heart and flesh are crying, O living God, for Thee.**

**Blest who Thy house inhabit, they ever give Thee praise;
Blest all whom Thou dost strengthen, who love the sacred ways.
So they from strength unwearied go forward unto strength,
Till they appear in Zion before the Lord at length.**

✠PRAYER OF DEDICATION A. Mitchell Moore

✠GREETINGS

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

GOSPEL READING Mark 8:1-21
(page 843 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 Shocking Power of Unbelief* Sanders L. Willson

Fellowship of the Table

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 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!**

PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

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 printed in bold below.

“Come to the Waters” Paul Jones

**Come to the waters, whoever is thirsty; drink from the Fountain that never runs dry.
Jesus, the Living One, offers you mercy, life more abundant in boundless supply.**

**Come to the Savior, the God of salvation. God has provided an end to sin's strife.
Why will you suffer the Law's condemnation? Take the free gift of the water of life.**

“My Jesus, I Love Thee” CARITAS

**My Jesus, I love Thee, I know Thou art mine;
For Thee all the follies of sin I resign.
My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art Thou;
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.**

**I love Thee because Thou hast first loved me,
And purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree.
I love Thee for wearing the thorns on Thy brow;
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.**

**I'll love Thee in life, I will love Thee in death;
And praise Thee as long as Thou lendest me breath;
And say, when the death-dew lies cold on my brow:
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.**

**In mansions of glory and endless delight,
I'll ever adore Thee in heaven so bright;
I'll sing with the glittering crown on my brow:
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.**

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 ev'ry 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 pow'r of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow'r 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.

'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!
Oh, 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.

