

ORDER FOR THE PUBLIC WORSHIP of GOD

September 9, 2012, 11:00 a.m.



Praising His Name

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

Please silence your mobile devices.

David Dennis, piano A WORD ON WORSHIP Reverent Amazement Sanders L. Willson CHORAL INTROIT: "Jesus Loves Me"arr. Doris Nelson Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so. Little ones to Him belong. They are weak, but He is strong. Yes, Jesus loves me. The Bible tells me so. Jesus loves me! He will stay close beside me, all the way. If I love Him when I die, He will take me home on high. Laudis Domini Vocal Ensemble Gabriel C. Statom, Director of Music ♦HYMN OF PRAISE: No. 535 "O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus" EBENEZER Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. For one will scarcely die for a righteous person though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies

we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life.

♦CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE...... EBENEZER

O what wonder! how amazing! Jesus, glorious King of kings, Deigns to call us His beloved, lets us rest beneath His wings.

Let our hands perform His bidding, let our feet run in His ways: Let our eyes see Jesus only, let our lips speak forth His praise.

PRAYER OF ADORATION

Receiving His Grace

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord Jesus Christ, Who loved us and gave Yourself for us, and Who bids us come and follow You, we confess that we have not always believed Your love and have followed after other lords and lusts. Please forgive us for our foolish and shameful ways, for we are truly sorry, and we humbly repent of everything that grieves You. Restore us to intimate fellowship with You, and grant that we may glorify You in every thought, word, and deed, that all the nations may know that You are the Lord and Savior of the world. Amen.

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

HYMN OF THE WONDER: "The Love of God".....LOVE OF GOD

Stanza 3 was penciled on the wall of a narrow room in an insane asylum by a man said to have been demented. The lines were discovered when they laid him in his coffin.

Soloist:

The love of God is greater far Than tongue or pen can ever tell; It goes beyond the highest star, And reaches to the lowest hell; The guilty pair, bowed down with care, God gave His Son to win; His erring child He reconciled, And pardoned from his sin.

O, love of God, how rich and pure! How measureless and strong! It shall forevermore endure— The saints' and angels' song.

Choir:

When hoary time shall pass away, And earthly thrones and kingdoms fall, When men who here refuse to pray, On rocks and hills and mountains call, God's love so sure, shall still endure, All measureless and strong; Redeeming grace to Adam's race— The saints' and angels' song.

Refrain

Congregation:

Could we with ink the ocean fill, And were the skies of parchment made, Were every stalk on earth a quill, And every man a scribe by trade; To write the love of God above Would drain the ocean dry; Nor could the scroll contain the whole, Though stretched from sky to sky.

O, love of God, how rich and pure! How measureless and strong! It shall forevermore endure— The saints' and angels' song.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS..... Timothy L. Russell OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "God So Loved the World" John Stainer John 3:16, 17 God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, That whoso believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved.
 *CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE
 HYFRYDOL
 Love divine, all loves excelling, Joy of heav'n, to earth come down: Fix in us Thy humble dwelling, all Thy faithful mercies crown: Jesus, Thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love Thou art; Visit us with Thy salvation, enter ev'ry trembling heart. PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION *†GREETINGS* **Believing His Word** 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 9:2-13 (page 844 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) Sanders L. Willson **SERMON** Up and Down the Mountain PRAYER OF COMMITMENT ♦HYMN TO CHRIST: No. 170 "Fairest Lord Jesus" CRUSADER'S HYMN **†BENEDICTION †CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN**

ORGAN POSTLUDE: "Finale" from Symphony No. 1.....Louis Vierne Molly Johnson, organ

♦Indicates congregation standing

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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.