



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.*

PIANO PRELUDE: "Sinfonia" from *Partita in C Minor* J.S. Bach
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*

CALL TO WORSHIP A. Mitchell Moore

✦HYMN OF PRAISE: No. 535 "O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus" EBENEZER

✦EPISTLE READING: Romans 5:1, 6-10 Trina L. Jones

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.**

