

SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

ORDER FOR THE PUBLIC WORSHIP of GOD

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CALLED to FREEDOM

A STUDY OF GALATIANS

♦GATHERING SONG: "Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come" Isaac Watts

Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth receive her King; Let every heart prepare Him room, And Heaven and nature sing, and Heaven and nature sing, And Heaven, and Heaven, and nature sing.

Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns! Let men their songs employ; While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains Repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy, Repeat, repeat, the sounding joy.

No more let sins and sorrows grow, Nor thorns infest the ground; He comes to make His blessings flow Far as the curse is found, far as the curse is found, Far as, far as, the curse is found.

He rules the world with truth and grace, And makes the nations prove The glories of His righteousness, And wonders of His love, and wonders of His love, And wonders, wonders, of His love.

♦ CALL TO WORSHIP		Todd Erickson
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SINGING HIS PRAISE

Let us love and sing and wonder, Let us praise the Savior's Name! He has hushed the law's loud thunder, He has quenched Mount Sinai's flame. He has washed us with His blood, He has washed us with His blood, He has washed us with His blood, He has brought us nigh to God.

Let us love the Lord Who bought us, Pitied us when enemies, Called us by His grace, and taught us, Gave us ears and gave us eyes: He has washed us with His blood, He has washed us with His blood, He has washed us with His blood, He presents our souls to God.

Let us sing, though fierce temptation Threaten hard to bear us down! For the Lord, our strong Salvation, Holds in view the conqueror's crown: He, Who washed us with His blood, He, Who washed us with His blood, He, Who washed us with His blood, Soon will bring us home to God.

Let us wonder; grace and justice Join and point to mercy's store; When through grace in Christ our trust is, Justice smiles and asks no more: He, Who washed us with His blood, He, Who washed us with His blood, He, Who washed us with His blood, Has secured our way to God.

Let us praise, and join the chorus Of the saints enthroned on high; Here they trusted Him before us, Now their praises fill the sky: Thou hast washed us with Your blood; Thou hast washed us with Your blood; Thou hast washed us with Your blood; Thou art worthy, Lamb of God! O, to see the dawn of the darkest day– Christ on the road to Calvary. Tried by sinful men, torn and beaten, then Nailed to a cross of wood.

This, the pow'r of the cross: Christ became sin for us; Took the blame, bore the wrath– We stand forgiven at the cross.

O, to see the pain written on Your face, Bearing the awesome weight of sin. Ev'ry bitter thought, ev'ry evil deed Crowning Your bloodstained brow.

Chorus

Now the daylight flees; now the ground beneath Quakes as its Maker bows His head. Curtain torn in two, dead are raised to life; "Finished!" the vict'ry cry.

This, the pow'r of the cross: Son of God-slain for us. What a love! What a cost! We stand forgiven at the cross.

O, to see my name written in the wounds, For through Your suffering I am free. Death is crushed to death; life is mine to live, Won through Your selfless love.

Chorus

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

+SONG OF ASSURANCE: "Jesus Paid It All"Pat Sczebel

I hear the Savior say, "Thy strength indeed is small; Child of weakness, watch and pray, find in Me thine all in all."

Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe; Sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow. Lord, now indeed I find Thy pow'r, and Thine alone, Can change the leper's spots and melt the heart of stone.

Chorus

And when before the throne, I stand in Him complete, Jesus dies my soul to save my lips shall still repeat.

Chorus

O praise the One who paid my debt And raised this life up from the dead. O praise the One who paid my debt And raised this life up from the dead.

Chorus

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TESTIMONYByron, Malise, Caroline, Merrill, and Evans Culpepper

†SONG OF SALVATION: "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me" Augustus Toplady

Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in Thee; Let the water and the blood from Thy wounded side which flowed, Be of sin the double cure; save from wrath and make me pure.

Not the labors of my hands can fulfill Thy law's demands; Could my zeal no respite know, could my tears forever flow, All for sin could not atone; Thou must save, and Thou alone.

Nothing in my hand I bring, simply to the cross I cling; Naked, come to Thee for dress; helpless, look to Thee for grace; Foul, I to the fountain fly; wash me, Savior, or I die.

While I draw this fleeting breath, when mine eyes shall close in death, When I soar to worlds unknown, see Thee on Thy judgment throne, Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in Thee.

HEARING GOD'S WORD

SERMON

"Called to Freedom"

Sandy Willson

Galatians 1:1-5 Sermon outline available on inside back cover.

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

†SONG OF COMMITMENT: "Grace Like Rain"..... C. Collins, E. Excell, J. Newton, T. Agnew

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound– That saved a wretch like me! I once was lost but now I'm found, Was blind but now I see!

> Hallelujah, grace like rain falls down on me. Hallelujah, all my stains are washed away. Hallelujah, grace like rain falls down on me. Hallelujah, all my stains are washed away, washed away.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace my fears relieved; How precious did that grace appear The hour I first believed!

Chorus

When we've been there ten thousand years, Bright shining as the sun, We've no less days to sing Your praise Than when we first begun.

Chorus

SENDING OUT GOD'S PEOPLE

BENEDICTION