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March 3, 2013



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: "Prayer of St. Gregory" Alan Hovahness

Lenora Morrow, organ; John Schuesselin, trumpet

Trumpets resound! Let all wisdom sing praise to the Lord, exalting the Lord. Trumpets resound! Let all knowledge sing praise to the Lord, exalting the Lord. Trumpets resound! Let all silence sing praise to the Lord, exalting the Lord.

O sing a new song to the Lord. Sing to the Lord! And then let all creation break forth into glorious praise to the Lord!

> Youth Choir Ginger Statom, Director

†HYMN OF PRAISE: No. 53 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" LOBE DEN HERREN stanzas 1-4

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!

♦CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE......LOBE DEN HERREN

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him! All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him! Let the amen sound from His people again; Gladly fore'er we adore Him!

†PRAYER OF ADORATION

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

O Christ, Who spared not any cost, Nor any grace withheld, But poured forth Your redeeming blood In love unparalleled; What would You have me offer, Lord?

What must I count as loss That I may taste the fellowship That brings me near the cross? Why should I cling to gifts You give? Why grasp in foolish pride What You who gave Yourself for me Now bid me lay aside?

To know You is my highest gain, Worth any sacrifice, A treasure worthy to possess At any earthly price. Yet if behind my open hands, My heart shrinks from the cost, Teach me nothing offered You is ever truly lost.

A hundred-fold reward awaits In one glimpse of Your face, My sacrifice forgotten In the riches of your grace.

Lizzie Young, soloist

In heavenly love abiding, no change my heart shall fear; And safe is such confiding, for nothing changes here. The storm may roar around me, my heart may low be laid; But God is round about me, and can I be dismayed?

Green pastures are before me, which yet I have not seen; Bright skies will soon be o'er me where darkest clouds have been; My hope I cannot measure, my path to life is free; My Savior has my treasure, and He will walk with me.

♦PRAYER OF DEDICATION......Ronald G. Sadlow

†GREETINGS

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Emilie Ball, Kathy Butler, Sara Byrd, Scottie Cain, Michael and Serena Davis, Hunter Dawson, Raif and Susie Elsakr, Ashley Gagnon, Jonathan Hawkins, Jason and Nicole Hindman, Bryce and Noreen King, Cindy Kirk*, Susan Kosko, Caesar Lomo, Anthony and Sarah Mattox, Nicholas Norman, J. T. Pitner, Sara Rolin, Jonny Scott, Anthony Serpico, Amy Smith, Kevin and Dana Stout, Steve and Elizabeth Thompson, Katherine Thompson, Jason and Erica Tucker, Pat VanHoozer, Liza Wellford, Patience Whitten, William and Emily Young

*to be baptized

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

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)

HOMILY An Upside Down, Right Side Up Gospel: Lose Control T. Barton Kimbro

The Liturgy 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. An elder will serve gluton free communion bread to those who raise their hands.

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;

waker of fleavell 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! Dear God,

Who graciously reached down into our brokenness and became one of us through the advent of Your Son in order that we may have redemption, we confess with humility and saddened hearts that we have continued to rebel against You and have continued to try to maintain control and live by our own authority.

Please forgive us for all our sins, for we are truly sorry and earnestly repent.

Renew us by Your grace and enable us by Your Spirit to live unto You, enjoy You, and glorify Your matchless Name.

Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer we pray, Amen.

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

LITANY OF PRAISE

Lift up your hearts.

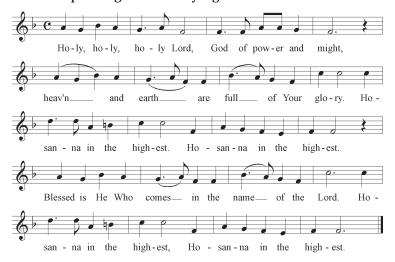
We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

It is meet and right so to do.

It is very meet, right, and our joyful duty, that we should at all times and in all places, give thanks unto You, O Holy Lord, Father Almighty, Everlasting God. And we praise You for Jesus Christ our Lord, Who has come to bring us light and life;

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify Your glorious Name; evermore praising You and saying:



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.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

INSTRUMENTAL MEDITATION: "What Wondrous Love Is This" . . . WONDROUS LOVE

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,

What wondrous love is this, O my soul!

What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss

To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,

To bear the dreadful curse for my soul!

To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing,

To God and to the Lamb, I will sing;

To God and to the Lamb, who is the great I AM,

While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,

While millions join the theme, I will sing!

SHARING OF THE CUP

INSTRUMENTAL MEDITATION: "The Power of the Cross"......Getty, arr. Statom

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.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Beautiful Savior! Lord of the nations! Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor, praise, adoration, Now and forevermore be thine.

†BENEDICTION

†CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

ORGAN POSTLUDE: "Postlude on 'Dunedin'" William H. Bates

♦ Indicates congregation standing

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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.