

Sunday Night Worship

SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

ORDER FOR THE
PUBLIC WORSHIP of GOD

March 10, 2013

CALLLED *to* FREEDOM

A STUDY OF GALATIANS

INSTRUMENTAL PRELUDE: "How Firm a Foundation" Trad. American Melody

✦RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP: Ephesians 1:3-10 Michael Davis

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing
in the heavenly places,

**even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world,
that we should be holy and blameless before him.**

In love he predestined us for adoption as sons through Jesus Christ,
according to the purpose of his will,

**to the praise of his glorious grace,
with which he has blessed us in the Beloved.**

In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our
trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, which he lavished upon us,
in all wisdom and insight making known to us the mystery of his will,

**according to his purpose,
which he set forth in Christ as a plan for the fullness of time,
to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.**

SINGING HIS PRAISE

✦No. 94: "How Firm a Foundation" Trad. American Melody

stanzas 1-4 & 6

♠ "Give Us Clean Hands" Charlie Hall

We bow our hearts, we bend our knees; Oh Spir-it, come make us hum-ble. We turn our eyes from e-vil things; Oh Lord, we cast down our i-dols. Give us clean hands, give us pure hearts; Let us not lift our souls to an-oth-er. Give us clean hands, give us pure hearts; Let us not lift our souls to an-oth-er. And oh God, let us be a gen-er-a-tion that seeks, that seeks Your face, oh God of Ja-cob; And oh God, let us be a gen-er-a-tion that seeks, that seeks Your face, oh God of Ja-cob.

♠ PRAYER OF ADORATION

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

HEARING GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING Galatians 4:1-7

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"From Slavery to Sonship"

Dick Cain

THE PARTICIPATION OF THE BREAD AND CUP

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

SONG OF MEDITATION: "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded" Bernard of Clairvaux

O sacred Head, now wounded, with grief and shame weighted down;
Now scornfully surrounded with thorns, Thine only crown;
O sacred Head, what glory, what bliss till now was Thine!
Yet, though despised and gory, I joy to call Thee mine.

What Thou, my Lord, has suffered was all for sinners' gain:
Mine, mine was the transgression, but Thine the deadly pain.
Lo, here I fall, my Savior! 'Tis I deserve Thy place;
Look on me with Thy favor, vouch-safe to me Thy grace.

What language shall I borrow to thank Thee, dearest Friend,
For this, Thy dying sorrow, Thy pity without end?
O make me Thine forever; and should I fainting be,
Lord, let me never, never outlive my love to Thee.

Lesleigh Perdue, soloist

No. 261: "What Wondrous Love Is This" Amercian Folk Hymn

No. 252: "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" Isaac Watts

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

1. There is a Re - deem - er Je - sus, God's own Son; _____
 2. Je - sus, my Re - deem - er, name a - bove all names; _____
 3. When I stand in glo - ry, I will see His face; _____

Pre - cious Lamb of God, Mes - si - ah, Ho - ly One.
 Pre - cious Lamb of God, Mes - si - ah, O _____ for sin - ners slain.
 There I'll serve my King for - ev - er in _____ that ho - ly place.

Thank You, O my Fa - ther, for giv - ing us Your Son, _____ And

leav - ing Your Spir - it till the work _____ on _____ earth _____ is done.

SENDING OUT GOD'S PEOPLE

♠ BENEDICTION

♠ Indicates congregation standing
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If you want to judge how well a person understands Christianity, find out how much he makes of the thought of being God's child, and having God as his Father. If this is not the thought that prompts and controls his worship and prayers and his whole outlook on life, it means that he does not understand Christianity very well at all...

Do I, as a Christian, understand myself? Do I know my own real identity? My own real destiny? I am a child of God. God is my Father; heaven is my home; every day is one day nearer. My Savior is my brother; every Christian is my brother, too. Say it over and over to yourself first thing in the morning, last thing at night, as you wait for the bus, any time when your mind is free, and ask that you may be enabled to live as one who knows it is all utterly and completely true. For this is the Christian's secret of – a happy life? – yes, certainly, but we have something both higher and profounder to say. This is the secret of a Christian life, and of a God-honoring life: and these are the aspects of the situation that really matter. May this secret become fully yours, and fully mine.

– J. I. Packer, *Knowing God*, p. 207

