

# ORDER FOR THE PUBLIC WORSHIP of GOD

November 24, 2013



# Give Us Thankful Hearts to Praise

As you enter the Sanctuary, please assume a quiet and respectful attitude of worship. Please silence your mobile devices.

### PRAYER OF PREPARATION

You are invited to pray, perhaps including the following prayer, as you prepare for worship. Heavenly Father, grant us a sense of Your presence as we gather now for worship. Grant us gratitude as we remember Your goodness, repentance as we remember our sins, and joy as we remember Your love. Enable us to lift up our hearts in humble prayer and fervent praise, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen. ORGAN IMPROVISATION: "Now Thank We All Our God" .....NUN DANKET Lenora Morrow, organ

**ORCHESTRAL PRELUDE:** "Morning Has Broken" and "This Is My Father's World" .....arr. Mack Wilberg CHORAL INTROIT: "For the Fruit of All Creation"......Welsh Hymn arr. Sterling Procter For the fruit of all creation, thanks be to God. For His gifts to every nation, thanks be to God. For the plowing, sowing, reaping, Silent growth while we are sleeping, Future needs in earth's safekeeping, thanks be to God. In the just reward of labor, God's will is done. In the help we give our neighbor, God's will is done. In our worldwide task of caring For the hungry and despairing, In the harvests we are sharing, God's will is done. For the harvests of the Spirit, thanks be to God. For the good we all inherit, thanks be to God. For the wonders that astound us, For the truths that still confound us, Most of all that love has found us, thanks be to God. Chancel. Youth. and Children's Choirs Gabriel C. Statom, Conductor CALL TO WORSHIP ...... A. Mitchell Moore **+**HYMN OF THANKSGIVING: No. 715 "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come" ...... ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR **PSALM OF THANKSGIVING: Psalm 92:1-5, 12-15..... Courtney T. Humphreys (8:15)** Blanche P. Tosh (11:00) It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to your name, O Most High; to declare your steadfast love in the morning, and your faithfulness by night, to the music of the lute and the harp, to the melody of the lyre. For you, O Lord, have made me glad by your work; at the works of your hands I sing for joy. How great are your works, O Lord! Your thoughts are very deep! The righteous flourish like the palm tree and grow like a cedar in Lebanon.

They are planted in the house of the Lord;

## they flourish in the courts of our God.

They still bear fruit in old age; they are ever full of sap and green, to declare that the Lord is upright;

#### he is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in him.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE ...... ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR

Glory be to God on high, and to Christ His only Son; Praise we too the Holy Ghost, binding all the church as one. Thankful people worship Thee, and our grateful hearts resound To our God and Savior who offers blessings all around.

#### **†**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

## SACRAMENT OF CHRISTIAN BAPTISM

8:15 a.m.

Richard Charlton Moore IV, born June 22, 2013, son of Taylor and Richard Moore III James Hunter Witherington, born January 1, 2013, son of Molly and Hunter Witherington Kaizen Chase Lowther, born March 8, 2013, son of Abi and Roger Lowther

#### 11:00 a.m.

Pettey Ryan Joiner, born June 3, 2013, daughter of Whitney and Grant Joiner Benjamin Matthew Robbins, born December 20, 2012, son of Emily and Matt Robbins Rebecca Abbay Sayle, born March 4, 2013, daughter of Mallory and Jim Sayle George Bernard Thomas II, born June 10, 2013, son of Jessica and George Thomas

#### PARENTAL VOWS

Do you acknowledge your child's need of the cleansing blood of the Lord Jesus Christ and the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit?

Do you claim God's covenant promises on his behalf, and do you look to the Lord Jesus Christ for his salvation, as you do for your own?

Do you unreservedly dedicate your child to God, and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before him a godly example, that you will pray with and for him, that you will teach him the sacred Scriptures, and that you will strive, by all the means that God provides you, to bring him up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?

#### CONGREGATIONAL VOW

Do you undertake the responsibility to assist these parents in the Christian nurture of their child?

SONG OF ENCOURAGEMENT: "Jesus Loves You" ...... JESUS LOVES ME

Jesus loves you, this we know, for the Bible tells us so; Little ones to Him belong, you are weak but He is strong. Yes, Jesus loves you! Yes, Jesus loves you! Yes, Jesus loves you! The Bible tells us so.

# Give Us Thankful Hearts to See

#### CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God, our heavenly Father, You are our creator, redeemer, and sustainer. Every good and perfect gift comes from You. Yet we confess that we have received Your gifts with a thankless heart and have doubted Your generous heart that delights to give what is good to Your children. We ask Your forgiveness for our thanklessness and unbelief knowing that they are an affront and insult to You. Fill us anew with Your Holy Spirit so that He might rekindle a fire of thankfulness in our hearts. For we pray in the name of the One Who is Your indescribable gift, our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

#### INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

#### ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS......D. Todd Erickson

A special Thanksgiving offering will be received through December 1 to benefit typhoon recovery efforts in the Philippines. To contribute to this special offering, please note "Thanksgiving" on your check or use the special envelope located in the pew rack.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "Look at the World"...... John Rutter

Look at the world, everything all around us, Look at the world and marvel every day. Look at the world: so many joys and wonders, So many miracles along our way.

Praise to Thee, O Lord, for all creation. Give us thankful hearts that we may see All the gifts we share, and every blessing, All things come of Thee.

Look at the earth bringing forth fruit and flower; Look at the sky, the sunshine and the rain; Look at the hills, look at the trees and mountains, Valley and flowing river, field and plain.

Think of the spring, think of the warmth of summer Bringing the harvest before winter's cold. Everything grows, everything has a season, Till it is gathered to the Father's fold.

Every good gift, all that we need and cherish Comes from the Lord in token of His love; We are His hands, stewards of all His bounty; His is the earth, and His the heavens above.

## DOXOLOGY..... LASST UNS ERFREUN

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Alleluia, alleluia! Praise Him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

**†**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

**†**GREETINGS

# Give Us Thankful Hearts to Hear

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN (8:15)

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.

READING FROM THE EPISTLES......Ephesians 5:18-21 (page 978 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)

SERMON

Spirit-filled Thanksgiving

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

+HYMN OF THANKSGIVING: No. 98 "Now Thank We All Our God" ... NUN DANKET

*<b>†BENEDICTION* 

**†**CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

ORGAN POSTLUDE: "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow" .... John Ferguson

*†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.

