

ORDER FOR THE PUBLIC WORSHIP of GOD

August 3, 2014



REST IN HIS RIGHTEOUSNESS

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 and reflect on the following prayer as you prepare for worship.

Let Your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend Your Church and, because it cannot continue in safety without Your help, protect and govern it always by Your goodness through Jesus Christ our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

ORGAN PRELUDE:

Variations on "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"	Albert Travis
"I Call to Thee, Lord Jesus"	J.S. Bach
Samuel Metzger, organ	

PROPHETIC LESSON: Isaiah 61:1-3, 10-11Grace J. Knight (8:15)Jay L. Cofield (11:00)

The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me to bring good news to the poor;

he has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to those who are bound;

to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor, and the day of vengeance of our God;

to comfort all who mourn; to grant to those who mourn in Zion—

to give them a beautiful headdress instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the garment of praise instead of a faint spirit;

that they may be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, that he may be glorified.

I will greatly rejoice in the Lord; my soul shall exult in my God,

for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation; he has covered me with the robe of righteousness,

as a bridegroom decks himself like a priest with a beautiful headdress, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

For as the earth brings forth its sprouts, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to sprout up, so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise to sprout up before all the nations.

Amazing love! How can it be That Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

PRAYER OF ADORATION

REJOICE IN HIS GRACE

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of all grace,

You have clothed us with the bridegroom's robe,

decking us with the beauty of His holiness.

Yet we confess that we too frequently live

in the rags of our own self-righteousness.

Our best deeds are like filthy garments before You.

We ask Your forgiveness for

our wayward hearts and prodigal ways.

Pour Your lavish and unrestrained love into our hearts.

Thank you for Your readiness to forgive us

and bring forth the best robe to cover us.

May we never lose sight of the exceeding wonder of Your grace found in Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

HYMN OF ASSURANCE: No. 500 "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me" . . NEW CITY FELLOWSHIP No. 499 "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me" stanza 1 TOPLADY

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

MUSICAL OFFERING: "Deep River" arr. Mark Hayes

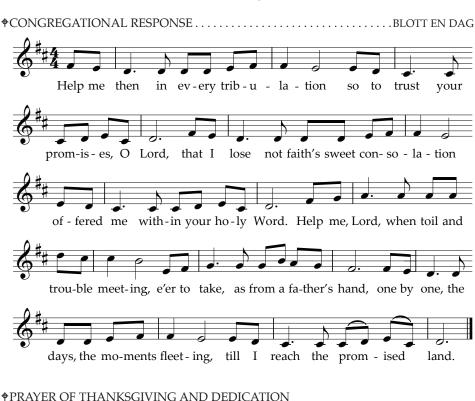
Deep river, my home is over Jordan.

Deep river, Lord, I want to cross over into campground.

Oh, don't you want to go to that gospel feast,

That promised land where all is peace?

Brett Trimble, soloist



†GREETINGS

RESPOND TO HIS WORD

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.

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.

Hard Words for the Self-Satisfied Church

(Isaiah 40:6b, 8) Michael G. Stokke

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

♦SENDING HYMN: No. 307 "Nothing but the Blood" PLAINFIELD

†BENEDICTION

SERMON

¢CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

ORGAN POSTLUDE: Toccata on "O God Our Help in Ages Past" Frederick Swann

♦ 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.