



ORDER FOR THE
PUBLIC WORSHIP *of* GOD

January 11, 2015



PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

*As you enter the Sanctuary, please prepare your heart for worship
and silence your mobile devices.*

Prayer of Preparation

O Lord our God, we come today to ordain and install officers in Your church.
No human being is adequate and worthy for such a sacred task.
Equip Your servants to stand in Your house and serve Your people.
May they devote themselves completely to You, both body and soul.
Fill their memory with the record of Your mighty works.
Enlighten their understanding with the light of Your Holy Spirit.
Make them instruments of salvation for the people entrusted to their care.
May they prove themselves godly examples to Your flock.
Enliven their devotion to You;
in praises, heighten their love and gratitude for You;
in teaching, give them readiness of thought and expression;
in shepherding, grant them the discerning and loving heart of Jesus;
and in administrating, deepen their wisdom and faith.
May many be drawn into Your heavenly kingdom through their ministries.
Make us people who make their work a joy and not a burden.
We ask all this for the sake of Your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

ORGAN PRELUDE: "Tell Out, My Soul, the Greatness of the Lord" Denis Bédard

INSTRUMENTAL PRELUDE: "Violin Sonata in G Major" J.S. Bach
Long Long Kang, violin; Samuel Metzger, organ

CHORAL INTROIT: "O Jesus, I Have Promised" arr. Evelyn Larter

O Jesus, I have promised to serve You to the end;
Be now and always near me, my Master and my Friend.
I need not fear the battle if You are by my side,
Nor wander from the pathway if Thou wilt be my guide.

O Jesus, You have promised to all who follow You
That where You are in glory Your servant shall be, too.
And, Jesus, I have promised to serve You to the end;
O give me grace to follow my Master and my Friend.

*The Westminster Singer (8:15), The Chancel Choir (11:00)
Gabriel C. Statom, Director of Music*

CALL TO WORSHIP Richard G. Cain

✦HYMN OF FAITH: No. 498 "Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners" HYFRYDOL
stanzas 1-3

✦FIRST GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 11:25-30 Grace J. Knight (8:15)
Marjorie A. Bowman (11:00)

At that time Jesus declared, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth,
that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding
and revealed them to little children;

yes, Father, for such was your gracious will.

All things have been handed over to me by my Father,
and no one knows the Son except the Father,

**and no one knows the Father except the Son
and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.**

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden,
and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me,

**for I am gentle and lowly in heart,
and you will find rest for your souls.
For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."**

✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE HYFRYDOL

**Jesus! what a guide and keeper! While the tempest still is high,
Storms about me, night o’ertakes me, He, my pilot, hears my cry.
Hallelujah! what a Savior! Hallelujah! what a Friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving, He is with me to the end.**

✦ PRAYER OF ADORATION

RENEWING OUR FAITH

PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

RESPONSE OF ASSURANCE HYFRYDOL

**Jesus! I do now receive Him, more than all in Him I find;
He hath granted me forgiveness, I am His, and He is mine.
Hallelujah! what a Savior! Hallelujah! what a Friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving, He is with me to the end.**

✦ HYMN OF CHRIST’S COMFORT:

No. 304 “I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say” VOX DILECTI

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS D. Todd Erickson

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: “Arise, My Soul, Arise” Dan Forrest
Text by Charles Wesley

Arise, my soul, arise, shake off thy guilty fears.
The bleeding Sacrifice in my behalf appears;
Before the throne my Surety stands; my name is written on His hands.

Five bleeding wounds He bears, received on Calvary;
They pour effectual prayers, they strongly plead for me:
“Forgive him, O forgive,” they cry! “Nor let that ransomed sinner die.”

My God is reconciled, His pard’ning voice I hear;
He owns me for His child, I can no longer fear;
With confidence I now draw nigh, and “Father, Abba Father!” cry.

✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE LENOX

**Arise, my soul, arise, shake off thy guilty fears
The bleeding Sacrifice in my behalf appears;
Before the throne my Surety stands, before the throne my Surety stands,
My name is written on His hands.**

✦ PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

RESPONDING IN THANKSGIVING

✦GREETINGS

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN (8:15).....Robert C. O'Kelley

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF CHURCH OFFICERS. . . . J. Robert Coleman
Clerk of Session

(8:15) Deacons:

John Alexander, Jeff Billions, *Rob Carson, Marshall Clark, *Tony Dentman,
Stuart Harris, *Ross Hurst, Mason Kauffman, George Klepper, Carey Moore,
Debbie Perkins, *Jason Rauls, *Lisa Ritenour, King Rogers, Tina Walker

(11:00) Elders:

Jay Cofield, *Dean Franklin, John Good, *Andrew Keasling, Rick Moore,
Paul Neal, Bryan Nearn, Bill Overcast, Robert Sayle, Matt Terhune,
Alex Thompson, *Wade West

**to be ordained*

Officers' Vows

Do you reaffirm your faith in Jesus Christ as your own personal Lord and Savior?

Do you believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be uniquely and fully inspired by the Holy Spirit, and the supreme and final authority in all matters on which they speak?

With any exception that you have stated to the Session, do you sincerely receive and adopt the Westminster Confession of Faith and the Catechisms of this Church, as containing the system of doctrine taught in the Holy Scriptures?

Do you promise that if at any time you find yourself out of accord with any of the essentials of the faith you will, on your own initiative, make known to your church Session the change which has taken place in your views since the assumption of this ordination vow?

Do you affirm and adopt the "Essentials of Our Faith" without exception?

Do you subscribe to the government and discipline of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church?

Do you promise subjection to your fellow Presbyters in the Lord?

Have you been induced, as far as you know your own heart, to accept the office of deacon/ruling elder from love of God and sincere desire to promote His glory in the Gospel of His Son?

Do you promise to be zealous and faithful in promoting the truths of the Gospel and the purity and peace of the Church, whatever persecution or opposition may arise to you on that account?

Will you seek to be faithful and diligent in the exercise of all your duties as deacon/elder whether personal or relative, private or public; and to endeavor by the grace of God to adorn the profession of the Gospel in your manner of life, and to walk with exemplary piety before this congregation of which God will make you an officer?

Are you now willing to take responsibility in the life of this congregation as a deacon/elder and will you seek to discharge your duties, relying upon the grace of God, in such a way that the entire church of Jesus Christ will be blessed?

Congregational Vow

Do you, the members of this congregation, receive these persons as officers in our church, and do you promise to yield them and all your officers all that honor, encouragement, and obedience in the Lord to which their ordination as officers entitles them, according to the Word of God and the Constitution of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church?

Prayer of Ordination and Installation

Charge to Officers and Congregation

**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.**

SECOND GOSPEL LESSON John 4:16-26
(page 889 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 *Jesus, The Messiah* Sanders L. Willson

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

✦SENDING HYMN: "Jesus Comes with Clouds Descending" WESTMINSTER ABBEY



1. Je - sus comes, with clouds des - cen - ding, once for our sal -
2. Ev - 'ry eye shall now be - hold him, robed in dread - ful
3. Yea, a - men! let all a - dore thee, high on thine e -



va - tion slain; thou - sand thou - sand saints at - ten - ding
ma - jes - ty; those who set at naught and sold him
ter - nal throne; Sa - vior, take the power and glo - ry,



swell the tri - umph of his train: Al - le - lu - ia!
pierced, and nailed him to the tree, deep - ly wail - ing,
claim the king - dom for thine own: Al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia! Christ the Lord re - turns to reign.
dee - ply wail - ing, shall the true Mes - si - ah see.
Al - le - lu - ia! Thou shalt reign, and thou a - lone.

✦BENEDICTION

✦CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

ORGAN POSTLUDE: Toccata on "Amazing Grace" Christopher Pardini

✦Indicates congregation standing

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Getting Connected

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