

Sunday Night Worship

SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

ORDER FOR THE
PUBLIC WORSHIP *of* GOD

March 8, 2015

Welcome to Second Presbyterian Church.
May our worship open our hearts to God's love,
our eyes to God's beauty, our minds to God's truth,
and our will to God's service.

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QUESTIONS
CHRISTIANS FACE

CURRENT SERMON SERIES

GOD PREPARES US FOR WORSHIP

You are invited to pray and meditate on this prayer to prepare for worship.

God our heavenly Father, we thank You that there was One
who into earth's bitter waters of sin, injustice, hatred, and revenge
poured a crimson flood to make them sweet.

Never was any man more unjustly sinned against.
The world He loved drove nails into His hands and feet.
Yet He prayed to you, "Father, forgive them."

Remind us, Lord, that we, Your servants, are not above our Lord.
Help us as we worship to experience Your pardoning and transforming grace.

Then, empower us to trust Your goodness and forgive others
the same way that You have forgiven us.
Do this for our good and Your glory, Amen.

GOD CALLS US INTO HIS PRESENCE

✦CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 145:1-2, 8-9

I will extol you, my God and King, and bless your name forever and ever.
Every day I will bless you and praise your name forever and ever.

**The Lord is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
The Lord is good to all,
and his mercy is over all that he has made.**

GOD RECEIVES OUR PRAISES

✦ "Mighty to Save" Ben Fielding, Reuben Morgan

**Everyone needs compassion, a love that's never failing – let mercy fall on me.
Everyone needs forgiveness, the kindness of a Savior – the Hope of nations.**

Chorus:

**Savior, He can move the mountains –
My God is mighty to save. He is mighty to save.
Forever, author of Salvation, He rose and conquered the grave.
Jesus conquered the grave.**

**So take me as You find me, all my fears and failures – fill my life again.
I give my life to follow, everything I believe in – now I surrender.**

Chorus

Refrain:

**Shine Your light and let the whole world see
We're singing for the glory of the risen King – Jesus.
Shine Your light and let the whole world see
We're singing for the glory of the risen King.**

Chorus, Refrain, Chorus

✦ "Bless the Lord" Jonas Myrin, Matt Redman

Chorus:

**Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul. Worship His holy name.
Sing like never before, O my soul. I'll worship Your holy name.**

**The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning.
It's time to sing Your song again.
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me,
Let me be singing when the evening comes.**

**You're rich in love and You're slow to anger,
Your name is great and Your heart is kind.
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing,
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.**

Chorus

**And on that day when my strength is failing,
The end draws near and my time has come.
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending,
Ten thousand years and then forevermore.**

Chorus

✦ PRAYER OF ADORATION Michael Davis

Assistant Pastor, Young Adults

GOD CALLS US TO OFFER OURSELVES TO HIM

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Worshippers at the end of a row should pass the collection bag to those in the row behind them.

No. 94 "How Firm a Foundation" FOUNDATION

✦ PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

✦ GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

We ask that everyone, including members and visitors, write their names, addresses, and other information in the spaces provided on the attendance pad as it is passed down the row.

GOD SPEAKS TO US HIS WORD

SCRIPTURE READING Genesis 5:15-21
(page 44 in the church Bible)

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

How Can We Trust a Good God in an Evil World?

Dick Cain
Assistant Pastor

GOD INVITES US TO HIS TABLE

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

Gluten free bread is offered in the transverse aisle in the back of the sanctuary.

SONGS FOR THE TABLE

"Behold the Lamb" Keith Getty, Stuart Townend

**Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away,
Slain for us – and we remember
The promise made that all who come in faith
Find forgiveness at the cross.
So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of peace around the table of the King.**

**The body of our Savior Jesus Christ,
Torn for you - eat and remember
The wounds that heal, the death that brings us life
Paid the price to make us one.
So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of love around the table of the King.**

**The blood that cleanses every stain of sin,
Shed for you – drink and remember
He drained death's cup that all may enter in
To receive the life of God.
So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of grace around the table of the King.**

**And so with thankfulness and faith we rise
To respond – and to remember
Our call to follow in the steps of Christ
As His body here on earth.
As we share in His suffering we proclaim Christ will come again!
And we'll join in the feast of heaven around the table of the King.**

"Isaiah 43" Public Domain

**When you pass through the waters, I will be with you,
And the waves will not overcome you.
Do not fear, for I have redeemed you,
I have called you by name, you are Mine.**

Chorus:
**For I am the Lord your God (I am the Lord your God),
I am the Lord your God (I am)
The Holy One of Israel, Your Savior.**

I am the Lord (do not fear).

**When you walk through the fire you'll not be burned,
And the flames will not consume you.
Do not fear, for I have redeemed you,
I have called you by name, you are Mine.**

Chorus

"By Thy Mercy" John Cummins, Greg Thompson

**Jesus, Lord of life and glory, bend from heaven thy gracious ear;
While our waiting souls adore Thee, Friend of helpless sinners, hear:**

**From the depth of nature's blindness, from the hardening power of sin,
From all malice and unkindness, from the pride that lurks within,**

Chorus:

By thy mercy, O deliver us, good Lord.

By thy mercy, O deliver us, good Lord, good Lord.

**When temptation sorely presses, in the day of Satan's power,
In our times of deep distresses, in each dark and trying hour,**

**When the world around is smiling, in the time of wealth and ease,
Earthly joys our hearts beguiling, in the day of health and peace.**

Chorus

**In the weary hours of sickness, in the times of grief and pain,
When we feel our mortal weakness, when all human help is vain,**

**In the solemn hour of dying, in the awful judgment day,
May our souls, on thee relying, find thee still our Rock and Stay.**

Chorus

GOD BLESSES US AND SENDS US OUT TO SERVE

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

✠BENEDICTION

✠*Indicates congregation standing*

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Getting Connected at Second

To find out more about who we are and how you can become part of our church community, contact Todd Erickson at (901) 531-8895 or todd.erickson@2pc.org.