



ORDER FOR THE
PUBLIC WORSHIP *of* GOD

February 21, 2016



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.*

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

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

According to our sermon text today, the Holy Spirit's primary role is to shine the spotlight on Jesus Christ and to lead us into God's truth. The Holy Spirit alone enables us to understand God's Word and apply it to our lives. Our role is to pray for the Holy Spirit's illumination as we read and study the Scriptures.

J.C. Ryle offers this challenge: "We must not wonder if we find the Bible a dark and difficult book, if we do not regularly seek light from Him by whom it was first inspired. In this, as in many other things, 'we have not because we ask not.'"

Why not prepare for worship by simply praying Psalm 119:18? "Open my eyes that I may behold wondrous things out of your law." Thomas Cranmer's beloved prayer for illumination fleshes out this verse from the Psalms.

*Blessed Lord, You have caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning;
grant that we may hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them,
that by patience and comfort of Your holy Word,
we may embrace, and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life,
that You have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.*

THE WORD OF GOD SPEAKS

ORGAN PRELUDE: "O Church Arise" Keith Getty
"Elegy" G.T. Thalben-Ball
Gabriel C. Statom, organ

CHORAL INTROIT: "If You Love Me" Mark Patterson
*If you love me, keep my commandments.
If you trust me, live in faith,
And the Father will send you the Spirit of truth
And the Spirit will show you the way.*

The world will not understand the ways of the Lord.
They do not trust Him, they do not seek Him, they do not know Him at all.
But you know the Spirit of the living God lives in you
And will be with you both now and forever.

*Spirit and Song Choir
Terri Theil, Director
Mary Lawrence Flinn, piano; Dee Walker, flute*

CALL TO WORSHIP Joshua D. Yates

✦ HYMN OF FAITHFULNESS: No. 94 "How Firm a Foundation" FOUNDATION
stanzas 1-4

✦PROPHETIC LESSON: Isaiah 43:1-7Bill Jorgensen (8:15)
Brandon Morrison (11:00)

But now thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob,
he who formed you, O Israel:

**“Fear not, for I have redeemed you;
I have called you by name, you are mine.**

When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;
and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;

**when you walk through fire
you shall not be burned,
and the flame shall not consume you.**

For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.
I give Egypt as your ransom, Cush and Seba in exchange for you.

**Because you are precious in my eyes,
and honored, and I love you,**

I give men in return for you, peoples in exchange for your life.

**Fear not, for I am with you;
I will bring your offspring from the east,
and from the west I will gather you.**

I will say to the north, ‘Give up,’ and to the south, ‘Do not withhold;
bring my sons from afar and my daughters from the end of the earth,

**everyone who is called by my name,
whom I created for my glory,
whom I formed and made.”**

✦CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSEFOUNDATION

**The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to his foes;
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I’ll never, no never, no never forsake.**

✦PRAYER OF ADORATION

SACRAMENT OF CHRISTIAN BAPTISM (11:00)

*Mary Ruth Crowley, born May 22, 2015, daughter of Hannah and AJ Crowley
Lloyd Montague Mustin IV, born January 13, 2016, son of Sarah and Link Mustin*

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.**

THE SHEPHERD OF GOD SAVES

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God
unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hid:
Cleanse our impure thinking and living
so that we take captive every thought to obey Jesus.
Forgive our careless, critical speech
and our failures in doing justice, loving mercy, and walking humbly.
Transform us by Your Holy Spirit
so that we live in a manner worthy of Your Gospel,
for we pray in the name of King Jesus
Who is our Good Shepherd —
The One who bore all of our sins in His body on the tree, Amen.

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

✦HYMN OF ASSURANCE: No. 679 “’Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus” TRUST IN JESUS

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS. Michael G. Stokke

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: “Behold the Shepherd” Natalie Sleeth

Behold the shepherd on the hill; he tends the flock while all is still.
 He scans the height and probes the deep, content to suffer for his sheep.

Behold what burdens he must bear, the wayward lambs within his care;
 He watches well while others sleep, content to suffer for his sheep.

Miserere nobis, Lord, have mercy, grant to him Thy peace.

Behold his love for one and all, his sacrifice for great and small;
 A lonely vigil he must keep, to save his sheep, his wayward sheep.

All we like sheep have gone astray, but Christ would shepherd us always,
 And for our sins in sorrow weep, content to suffer for his sheep.

*Youth Choir
 Ginger Statom, Director*

✦CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE TRINITY

Come, thou Almighty King,
Help us Thy name to sing, help us to praise.
Father, all glorious, o’er all victorious,
Come and reign over us, Ancient of Days.

✦PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

THE SPIRIT OF GOD COMES

✦GREETINGS

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN (8:15)

A WORD ON WORLD MISSIONS STEWARDSHIP Mike Cross

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.** (Isaiah 40:6b, 8)

SERMON

When He Comes

Sanders L. Willson

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

✦SENDING HYMN: "O Church, Arise" Keith Getty, Stuart Townend



1. O Church, a - rise and put your ar - mor on; Hear the
2. Our call to war, to love the cap - tive soul, But to
3. Come, see the cross where love and mer - cy meet, As the
4. So Spi - rit, come, put strength in ev - 'ry stride, Give



call of Christ our cap - tain; For now the weak can say that
rage a - gainst the cap - tor; And with the sword that makes the
Son of God is strick - en; Then see His foes lie crushed be -
grace for ev - 'ry hur - dle, That we may run with faith to



they are strong In the strength that God has gi - ven. With
wound - ed whole We will fight with faith and val - or. When
neath His feet, For the Con - quer - er has ris - en! And
win the prize Of a ser - vant good and faith - ful. As



shield of faith and belt of truth We'll stand a - gainst the
faced with trials on ev - 'ry side, We know the out - come
as the stone is rolled a - way, And Christ e - mer - ges
saints of old still line the way, Re - tell - ing tri - umphs



de - vil's lies; An ar - my bold, whose bat - tle -
is se - cure, And Christ will have the prize for
from the grave, This vic - t'ry march con - tin - ues
of His grace, We hear their calls and hun - ger



cry is "Love!" Reach - ing out to those in dark - ness.
which He died - An in - her - it - ance of na - tions.
till the day Ev - 'ry eye and heart shall see Him.
for the day When, with Christ, we stand in glo - ry.

✦BENEDICTION

✦CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

ORGAN POSTLUDE: "Toccata" Theodore Dubois

✦Indicates congregation standing

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