



ORDER FOR THE
PUBLIC WORSHIP *of* GOD

July 12, 2015
8:15 a.m.



PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

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

At Second, we believe that God demonstrates His grace to us in the radical love and sacrifice of Jesus Christ. This gospel alone has the power to transform our lives, our city, and our world. Thus, the essential work of our church centers on remaining loyally devoted to the gospel and faithfully proclaiming it. Our worship services are designed with this in mind.

Our worship service will fulfill its purpose today

- if you are made increasingly aware of God's exceeding beauty and worth,
- if you see with greater clarity the depth of your own sinfulness and need,
- if you are strengthened by the continued, fresh discovery of the pardoning and sanctifying grace of our Lord revealed in the cross.

Why not stop and ask the Lord to fulfill these three things in your life?
May your worship of our Lord strengthen you spiritually and inspire you to commend Him to others!

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

ORGAN PRELUDE: "Emperors Fanfare" Antonio Soler
Samuel Metzger, organ

PIANO PRELUDE: "This Is My Father's World" arr. Brad Jones
Brad Jones, piano

CALL TO WORSHIP David A. Bowen

♠ HYMN OF THE TRINITY: No. 101 "Come, Thou Almighty King" TRINITY
stanzas 1-3

♠ FIRST EPISTLE LESSON: I Timothy 6:12-16 William R. Jorgensen

Fight the good fight of the faith.
Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called

**and about which you made the good confession
in the presence of many witnesses.**

I charge you in the presence of God, who gives life to all things,
and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate
made the good confession,

**to keep the commandment unstained and free from reproach
until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ,
which he will display at the proper time—**

He who is the blessed and only Sovereign,
the King of kings and Lord of lords,

**who alone has immortality, who dwells in unapproachable light,
whom no one has ever seen or can see.**

To him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE TRINITY

**To the great One in Three
Eternal praises be, hence evermore.
His sovereign majesty may we in glory see,
And to eternity love and adore.**

✦ PRAYER OF ADORATION

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

SOLO OFFERTORY: "Because of Who You Are" Martha Munizzi

Because of who You are, I give You glory.
Because of who You are, I give You praise.

Because of who You are, I give You glory.
Because of who You are, I give You praise.
Because of who You are, I will lift my voice and say;
Lord, I worship You because of who You are.

Jehovah Jireh, my provider.
Jehovah Nissi, Lord, You reign in victory.
Jehovah Shalom, my Prince of Peace;
And I worship You because of who You are.

And I worship You because of who,
And I worship You because of who You are.

Ephie Johnson, soloist

✦ DOXOLOGY OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

✦ PRAYER OF DEDICATION Michael C. Davis

✦ GREETINGS

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN L. Brett Wynne

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

SECOND EPISTLE LESSON II Timothy 1:8-14
(page 995 in the 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)*

HOMILY *Finishing Well: Stunning Grandeur ... Sobering Call* Richard G. Cain

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

✦ INVITATION TO THE TABLE

All those who have publicly professed their faith and joined a Christian church as a communing member are warmly welcomed to receive communion today. Non-communing worshipers are encouraged to contemplate the love of Jesus Christ during this time. At Second Presbyterian, we encourage our children not to take communion until they have joined the church as communicant members.

We do, however, encourage non-communing children to come forward with their parents to receive a blessing. Those wishing to be served communion together as a group or family, please stand together in front of the two serving elders before taking the elements.

Gluten free communion bread is available upon request from the elder at the east side of the transverse aisle (opposite from the door leading to the Connector).

✦ PROFESSION OF OUR FAITH The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth;
and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord;
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead and buried;
He descended into hell;
The third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead;
I believe in the Holy Ghost;
the holy catholic church;
the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body;
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

✦ GLORIA PATRI GREATorex

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen!**

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Heavenly Father,
because of Your tender mercies and abundant goodness
in Jesus Christ our Lord,
graciously pardon...
our lack of soul-absorbing confidence in Your gospel,
our deficiency in outspoken zeal for Your gospel,
our reluctance to suffer for Your gospel,
and our lazy watchfulness over Your gospel.
Go forth, O conquering God, and show us the cross
mighty to subdue our restless hearts,
mighty to comfort our grieving hearts,
and mighty to save our sinful hearts.
For we pray in Jesus' name and for His glory, Amen.**

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION 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.**

SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

For those unable to come forward for communion, please raise your hand and an elder will serve you in your seat. Throughout this time of communion, we invite you to join in singing the hymns printed in bold below.

INSTRUMENTAL MEDITATION: "Fairest Lord, Jesus" arr. Brad Jones

"The Blood Will Never Lose Its Power" André Crouch

The blood that Jesus shed for me, way back on Calvary;
The blood that gives me strength from day to day, it will never lose its power.
It reaches to the highest mountain, and it flows to the lowest valley;
The blood that gives me strength from day to day, it will never lose its power.
It soothes my doubts and calms my fears, and it dries all my tears;
The blood that gives me strength from day to day, it will never lose its power.

"Amazing Grace!"AMAZING GRACE
Reference page 460 in the Hymnal for music.

**Amazing grace! How sweet the sound — that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.
'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!
'Thro' many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already come;
'Tis grace has brought me safe this far, and grace will lead me home.
The Lord has promised good to me, His Word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be, as long as life endures.
When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise than when we've first begun.**

"It Is Well with My Soul" VILLE DU HAVRE
Reference page 691 in the Hymnal for music.

**When peace, like a river, attendeth my way,
When sorrows like sea billows roll;
Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say,
"It is well, it is well with my soul."**

*It is well with my soul;
It is well, it is well with my soul.*

**Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,
Let this blest assurance control,
That Christ has regarded my helpless estate,
And has shed His own blood for my soul.**

**My sin — O the bliss of this glorious thought!
My sin, not in part, but the whole,
Is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more;
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!**

**O Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight,
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll,
The trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend,
"Even so" it is well with my soul.**

"We Rest on Thee" FINLANDIA
Reference page 449 in the Hymnal for music.

**Yea, "In Thy name," O Captain of salvation!
In Thy dear name, all other names above:
Jesus our righteousness, our sure foundation,
Our Prince of glory and our King of love,
Jesus our righteousness, our sure foundation,
Our Prince of glory and our King of love.**

**"We go" in faith, our own great weakness feeling,
And needing more each day Thy grace to know:
Yet from our hearts a song of triumph pealing,
"We rest on Thee, and in Thy name we go,"
Yet from our hearts a song of triumph pealing,
"We rest on Thee, and in Thy name we go."**

**"We rest on Thee" our shield and our defender!
Thine is the battle, Thine shall be the praise
When passing through the gates of pearly splendor,
Victors — we rest with Thee, though endless days,
When passing through the gates of pearly splendor,
Victors — we rest with Thee, though endless days.**

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

✦SENDING HYMN FINLANDIA

**We rest on Thee — our shield and our defender!
We go not forth alone against the foe;
Strong in Thy strength, safe in Thy keeping tender,
We rest on Thee, and in Thy name we go,
Strong in Thy strength, safe in Thy keeping tender,
We rest on Thee, and in Thy name we go.**

✦BENEDICTION

✦CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

ORGAN POSTLUDE: "Toccata on Amazing Grace" Christopher Pardini
Samuel Metzger, organ

✦Indicates congregation standing

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