



ORDER FOR THE  
PUBLIC WORSHIP *of* GOD

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July 12, 2015  
11:00 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 strength 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 . . . . . Marjorie Bowman

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

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. An elder will serve gluten free communion bread to those who raise their hands.*

## ✦ 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

LITANY OF PRAISE

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

**It is meet and right so to do.**

It is very meet, right, and our joyful duty, that we should at all times and in all places, give thanks unto You, O Holy Lord, Father Almighty, Everlasting God. And we praise You for Jesus Christ our Lord, Who has come to bring us light and life;

**Therefore with angels and archangels,  
and with all the company of heaven,  
we laud and magnify Your glorious Name;  
evermore praising You and saying:**

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might, heaven and  
earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high-est. Ho-  
san-na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the  
Lord. Ho - san - na in the high-est, Ho - san-na in the high-est.

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.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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

SHARING OF THE CUP

SOLO MEDITATION: "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.

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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