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**PUBLIC WORSHIP *of* GOD**

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## PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

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

In corporate worship, we devote significant time to prayer. We do this primarily because God commands us to seek Him in believing prayer. Prayer serves as one of the primary ways that we exercise our faith in God as well as an antidote to our propensity to worry (Luke 18:1).

If you have attempted to pray at all, you recognize that prayer is hard work and that it is a struggle to pray well. Therefore, we constantly need our Lord's guidance. This is why we regularly use the Lord's Prayer as a pattern for our own praying.

According to the Lord's Prayer, evil exists in the world and has its origin in the Evil One. All of us easily succumb to the devil's agenda when we profane God's name, oppose God's kingdom, resist God's will, fail to forgive those who sin against us, and fail to resist temptation. On the contrary, Jesus' prayer crystallizes our priorities in prayer: His praise, His program, His plan, His provision, His pardon, and His protection.

Today when we bow our heads and hearts in prayer, let us remember that we are participating with our Lord in His uprising against the disorder of our hearts and our world. Let us ask Him to strengthen our capacity to trust Him for He has promised to rescue us from our perilous life on earth and bring us safely home to heaven.

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

ORGAN PRELUDE: "A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing" . . . . . Rebecca Groom Te Velde  
*Samuel Metzger, organ*

INSTRUMENTAL PRELUDE: "It Is Well With My Soul" . . . . . Mark Hayes  
*Brad Jones, piano*

CHORAL INTROIT: "Who Will Keep the Little Lambs?" . . . Antonin Dvorak; arr. Gilpin

Who will feed the little lambs for the Lord today?  
Lead them to green pastures or find them when they stray?  
Who will show them quiet streams with a loving hand?  
Who will protect the fold of God? Who will keep God's lambs?

I will feed the little lambs for the Lord today.  
Lead them to green pastures and find them when they stray.  
I will show them quiet streams with a loving hand.  
I will protect the fold of God. I will keep God's lambs.

Jesus said to feed His sheep while He is away.  
Will you take your rod and staff, guard His sheep today?

Will you feed the little lambs for the Lord today?  
Lead them to green pastures or find them when they stray?  
Will you show them quiet streams with a loving hand?  
Will you protect the fold of God? Will you keep God's lambs?

*Music Makers and Spirit & Song Choirs  
Terri Theil, Director  
Mary Lawrence Flinn, Accompanist*

SCRIPTURAL CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 95:6-7. . . . . Richard G. Cain

Oh come, let us worship and bow down;  
let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

**For he is our God,  
and we are the people of his pasture,  
and the sheep of his hand.**

◆HYMN OF ADORATION: No. 101 "Come, Thou Almighty King" . . . . . TRINITY

◆PSALTER LESSON: Psalm 65:1-8 . . . . . Grace Knight

Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion,  
and to you shall vows be performed.

**O you who hear prayer,  
to you shall all flesh come.**

When iniquities prevail against me,  
you atone for our transgressions.

**Blessed is the one you choose and bring near,  
to dwell in your courts!**

We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house,  
the holiness of your temple!

**By awesome deeds  
you answer us with righteousness,**

O God of our salvation,  
the hope of all the ends of the earth  
and of the farthest seas;

**the one who by his strength established the mountains,  
being girded with might;**

who stills the roaring of the seas,  
the roaring of their waves, the tumult of the peoples,  
so that those who dwell at the ends of the earth  
are in awe at your signs.

**You make the going out of the morning  
and the evening to shout for joy.**

◆CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE . . . . . TRINITY

**Jesus, our Lord, arise, scatter your enemies, and make them fall;  
Let Thine almighty aid our sure defense be made,  
Souls that on Thee be stayed; Lord, hear our call. Amen.**

◆PRAYER OF ADORATION

◆GREETINGS

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN . . . . . Will Nease

SENIOR PASTOR SEARCH UPDATE . . . . . J. Robert Coleman

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION . . . . . Michael G. Stokke

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*If you have not yet submitted your pledge to the World Missions budget,  
pledge cards are available in the pew racks and may be placed in the offering plate.*

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "The Lord Is My Shepherd" . . . . . Allen Pote

The Lord is my shepherd. Nothing shall I want.  
My shepherd makes me lie in fields of green, leads me beside still waters.  
The Lord is my shepherd, who restores my life.  
Leads me in the paths of righteousness for the sake of the Lord's name.  
And even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,  
I will fear no evil, for You are with me, Your rod and staff will comfort me.  
You prepare a table before me, in the presence of my enemies.  
You anoint my head with oil, my cup overflows.  
Surely goodness and mercy, shall follow me all the days of my life,  
And in the house of my God I will live forever.

*The Youth Ensemble  
Christy Young, Director*

**Great King of nations, hear our prayer  
While at Your feet we fall,  
And humbly with united cry,  
To You for mercy call.**

**When dangers, like a stormy sea,  
Beset our country round,  
To You we looked, to You we cried,  
And help in You was found.**

✠ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON . . . . . Colossians 1:9-11  
(page 983 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 *A Prayer for the Church* D. Todd Erickson

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 . . . . . GREATOR EX

**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

God our heavenly Father,  
every day of my life proves me guilty in Your sight.  
Prayers are uttered from a prayerless heart;  
praise is often praiseless sound.  
My best services are like filthy rags.  
Blessed Jesus, may Your blood cover me  
and wash me whiter than snow.  
Though my sins rise to heaven, Your merits soar above them.  
All things in me call for my rejection;  
all things in You plead for my acceptance.  
Go forth and show me Your cross  
and flood my heart with Your amazing love.  
So a very amen we say in Your Name  
for You are the Lamb of God slain for sinners. Amen.

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

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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.*

"Before the Throne of God Above" . . . . . Charitie Lees Bancroft, Vikki Cook

**Before the throne of God above,  
I have a strong, a perfect plea,  
A great High Priest whose name is "Love,"  
Who ever lives and pleads for me.  
My name is graven on His hands,  
My name is written on His heart;  
I know that while in heav'n He stands  
No tongue can bid me thence depart.  
No tongue can bid me thence depart.**

**When Satan tempts me to despair,  
And tells me of the guilt within,  
Upward I look and see Him there  
Who made an end to all my sin.  
Because the sinless Savior died,  
My sinful soul is counted free;  
For God, the Just, is satisfied  
To look on Him and pardon me.  
To look on Him and pardon me.**

**Behold Him there the risen Lamb,  
My perfect, spotless Righteousness,  
The great unchangeable I AM,  
The King of glory and of grace!  
One with Himself I cannot die,  
My soul is purchased by His blood;  
My life is hid with Christ on high,  
With Christ, my Savior and my God.  
With Christ, my Savior and my God.**

*“Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed”* . . . . . MARTYRDOM  
*Reference page 254 in the Hymnal for music.*

**Alas! and did my Savior bleed, and did my Sovereign die!  
Would He devote that sacred head for such a worm as I!  
Was it for crimes that I had done He groaned upon the tree!  
Amazing pity! Grace unknown! And love beyond degree!  
Well might the sun in darkness hide, and shut His glories in,  
When Christ, the mighty Maker, died for man the creature’s sin.  
Thus might I hide my blushing face while His dear cross appears;  
Dissolve my heart in thankfulness and melt mine eyes in tears.  
But drops of grief can ne’er repay the debt of love I owe;  
Here, Lord, I give myself away, ‘tis all that I can do.**

*“Shepherd of Souls, Refresh and Bless”* . . . . . QUEBEC

**Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless Your chosen pilgrim flock  
With manna in the wilderness, with water from the rock.  
We would not live by bread alone, but by Your word of grace,  
In strength of which we travel on to our abiding place.  
Be known to us in breaking bread, but do not then depart;  
Savior, abide with us, and spread Your table in our heart.  
Lord, sup with us in love divine, Your body and Your blood,  
That living bread, that heavenly wine, be our immortal food.**

*“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”* . . . . . HAMBURG  
*Reference page 252 in the Hymnal for music.*

**When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died,  
My richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.  
Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ my God:  
All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to His blood.  
See, from His head, His hands, His feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down:  
Did e’er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?**

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

✦HYMN OF COMMITMENT . . . . . HAMBURG

**Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small;  
Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.**

✦BENEDICTION

✦CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

ORGAN POSTLUDE: “Toccata” . . . . . John Weaver

✦Indicates congregation standing

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