



ORDER FOR THE  
PUBLIC WORSHIP *of* GOD

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November 26 2017  
*Thanksgiving Sunday*

  
**Second**  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

## PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

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

Every time we gather for worship, we remind ourselves of how beautiful and powerful the name of our Lord is. The Apostle Peter declares: "in the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk!" (Acts 3:6)

The name of Jesus is one of the most precious and powerful words in the vocabulary of a Jesus follower: The name "Jesus" means "the Lord saves." The angel tells Mary why she is to give this name to her baby: "For He will save His people from their sins" (Matthew 1:21).

The Apostle Peter makes an astonishing claim in Acts 4:11-12: "This Jesus is the stone that was rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone. And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."

Therefore, if you have never trusted Jesus Christ as your Savior, would you do so today? For today can be your day of salvation! If you have already trusted Him, then seize this opportunity to offer joyful worship with a thankful heart to the One you call "friend, Lord, and Savior!"

## PRAISE HIS MAJESTIC NAME

ORGAN PRELUDE: "Thanksgiving Suite" . . . . . Charles Callahan  
*Samuel Metzger, organ; Stephanie Hancock, clarinet*

CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 8:1, 9; 124:8; Philippians 2:9-11 . . . . . David A. Bowen  
O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

**Our help is in the name of the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth.**

For this reason also, God highly exalted Him,  
and bestowed on Him the name which is above every name,

**So that at the name of Jesus every knee will bow,  
of those who are in heaven and on earth and under the earth,  
and that every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.**

◆HYMN OF PRAISE: No. 164 "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" . . . . . AZMON  
*stanzas 1-5*

◆PSALTER LESSON: Select verses from Psalm 92 . . . . . Amanda Coop (8:15)  
Blanche Tosh (11:00)

It is good to give thanks to the Lord,  
to sing praises to your name, O Most High;

**to declare your steadfast love in the morning,  
and your faithfulness by night,**

to the music of the lute and the harp, to the melody of the lyre.

**For you, O Lord, have made me glad by your work;  
at the works of your hands I sing for joy.**

How great are your works, O Lord! Your thoughts are very deep!

**The righteous flourish like the palm tree  
and grow like a cedar in Lebanon.**

They are planted in the house of the Lord;

**they flourish in the courts of our God.**

They still bear fruit in old age; they are ever full of sap and green,  
to declare that the Lord is upright;

**he is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in him.**

**Hear Him, ye deaf; His praise, ye dumb, your loosen'd tongues employ;  
Ye blind, behold your Savior come; and leap, ye lame, for joy.**

♠ INVOCATION (*please raise hands*)

## RECEIVE HIS GRACIOUS PARDON

### CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Gracious God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
whose will it is for us to give thanks for all things,  
we confess that we have often received Your blessings  
with thankless hearts.**

**We have been slow to cast all our cares on You who cares for us.  
Forgive us for allowing faithless fears  
and worldly anxieties to drive our decisions.**

**Work in our hearts so that no clouds of this mortal life  
may hide from us the light of Your love, which is immortal,  
and which You have revealed to us in Your Son,  
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

#### ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

♠ HYMN OF ASSURANCE:

“My Heart Is Filled with Thankfulness” ..... Keith Getty, Stuart Townend



1. My heart is filled with thank-ful-ness to Him who  
2. My heart is filled with thank-ful-ness to Him who  
3. My heart is filled with thank-ful-ness to Him who



bore my pain; Who plumbed the depths of my dis-  
walks be-side; Who floods my weak-ness-es with  
reigns a-bove; Whose wis-dom is my per-fect



grace and gave me life a-gain; Who crushed my curse of  
strength and caus-es fears to fly. Whose ev-'ry prom-ise  
peace, whose ev-'ry thought is love. For ev-'ry day I



sin-ful-ness and clothed me with His light and wrote His  
is e-nough for ev-'ry step I take. Sus-tain-ing  
have on earth is giv-en by the King. So I will



law of right-eous-ness with pow'r up-on my heart.  
me with arms of love and crown-ing me with grace.  
give my life, my all, to love and fol-low Him.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS. . . . . L. Brett Wynne

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "Thanks Be to Thee" . . . . . G.F. Handel, arr. Harris

Thanks be to Thee, thanks be to Thee;  
Glory and praise we sing to Thee.  
For Thy great mercies, thanks be to Thee.

Like as a shepherd hast Thou been our guide,  
Through the dark valley Thou wast ever by our side.  
Lord, God Almighty, thanks be to Thee.

*The Westminster Singers (8:15), The Chancel Choir (11:00)  
Christy Young, director*

✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE . . . . . EBENEZER

**Glorious is Your name, Most Holy, God and Father of us all;  
We, Your servants, bow before You, strive to answer every call.  
You with life's great good have blessed us, cared for us from earliest years;  
Now to You our thanks we offer; Your deep love o'ercomes all fears.**  
**For our world of need and anguish we would lift to You our prayer.  
Faithful stewards of Your bounty, may we with our brothers share.  
In the name of Christ our Savior, who redeems and sets us free,  
Gifts we bring of heart and treasure, that our lives may worthier be.**

✦ PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

## EXPERIENCE HIS HEALING GRACE

✦ GREETINGS

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN (8:15)

✦ 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.**

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON . . . . . Acts 3:1-26  
*(page 911 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. (Isaiah 40:6b, 8)**

SERMON *Power in the Name* George W. Robertson

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

✦ HYMN OF COMMITMENT: No. 98 "Now Thank We All Our God" . . . . NUN DANKET

✦ BENEDICTION *(please raise hands)*

✦ CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

ORGAN POSTLUDE: Toccata on "Now Thank We All Our God" . . . . . Egil Hovland

✦ *Indicates congregation standing* CCLI License #252778

**I. Powerful to Heal the Body** (*Acts 3:1-13*)

A. More Than a Commodity

1. Useful to Assuage Consciences

2. Inherently Worthy

B. More Than This Body

**II. Powerful to Restore the Soul** (*Acts 3:14-26*)

A. Guilt

B. Grace

C. Guide