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October 6, 2019  
*World Communion Sunday*



## PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

*Please prepare your heart for worship and silence your mobile devices.*

Today is Worldwide Communion Sunday. Christians in every culture break the bread and pour the cup to remember Christ's death. We also affirm that He alone is the Lord and Head of His Church. Whether the Lord's Supper is shared in a grand sanctuary, a mud hut, outside on a hilltop, or in a storefront, this meal teaches us that "we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread" (I Corinthians 10:17).

During communion, we not only take time to look back and reflect on our crucified Savior's love, but we also look ahead and anticipate a coming Savior's glory. This frees us from despair as we face hostility, adversity, and heartache.

Participating in the Lord's Supper should awaken in us a longing for another feast — the ultimate feast, when our Lord will make all things new. He will swallow up death forever. He will wipe away tears from all faces, and we will forever rejoice in our Lord's salvation.

Let us praise the Lord as we accept His invitation to feast upon His Word and at His table!

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### ORGAN PRELUDE:

"Andante larghetto et staccato" from *Concerto in G Minor* . . . G. F. Handel; arr. Metzger  
*Samuel Metzger, organ*

INSTRUMENTAL MEDITATION: "The Power of the Cross" . . . . . Lloyd Larson  
*Samuel Metzger, piano*

CALL TO WORSHIP . . . . . Todd Erickson

♠HYMN OF PRAISE: "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" . . . . . ST. ANNE  
*Words: Isaac Watts / Music: William Croft; arr. Metzger / Psalm 90:1*  
*This is our Hymn of the Month.*

1. O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,  
2. Un - der the shad - ow of your throne your saints have dwelt se - cure,  
3. Be - fore the hills in or - der stood, or earth re - ceived her frame,  
4. A thou - sand a - ges in your sight are like an eve - ning gone;  
5. Time, like an ev - er - roll - ing stream, bears all its sons a - way;  
6. O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come;  
our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home;  
suf - fi - cient is your arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.  
from ev - er - last - ing you are God, to end - less years the same.  
short as the watch that ends the night be - fore the ris - ing sun.  
they fly for - got - ten, as a dream dies at the o - p'ning day.  
O be our guard while trou - bles last, and our e - ter - nal home.

♠INVOCATION (*Please lift hands*)

CHORAL ANTHEM: "Morning Stars, Singing Together" . . . . .Helen Kemp

*Words: Albert Bayly / Music: Tochter Sion, 1741; arr. Kemp / Job 38:7*

Morning stars singing together.

When the morning stars together their creator's glory sang,  
And the angel host all shouted 'til with joy the heavens rang,  
Then Your wisdom and Your greatness their exultant music told,  
All the beauty and the splendor which Your mighty works unfold.

Lord, we bring our gift of music; touch our lips and fire our hearts,  
Teach our minds and train our senses, fit us for this sacred art.  
Then with skill and consecration we would serve You, Lord,  
And give all our pow'rs to glorify You, and in serving fully live.

Morning stars singing together.

*Music Makers Children's Choir  
Mary Lawrence Flinn, piano  
Hannah Crowley, director*

✦STATEMENT OF FAITH: Westminster Shorter Catechism Q. 28 . . .Marjorie Bowman (8:15)  
Don Batchelor (11:00)

How is Christ exalted?

**Christ is exalted by His rising from the dead on the third day,  
His going up into heaven,  
His sitting at the right hand of God the Father,  
and His coming to judge the world at the last day.**

*This catechism will be the topic of the sermon this evening.*

✦CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: "Crown Him with Many Crowns" . . . DIADEMATA

*Words: Matthew Bridges / Music: George Elvey / Revelation 19:12*

**Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon His throne;  
Hark! how the heav'nly anthem drowns all music but its own:  
Awake, my soul, and sing of Him who died for Thee,  
And hail Him as Thy matchless King through all eternity.**

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "Let All the People Praise!" . . . . . Craig Courtney

*Words: Psalm 148 / Music: Craig Courtney*

*Sing praise to the Father, sing praise to the Son,  
Sing praise to the Spirit, our God, Three in One.  
Let all the people praise the name of the Lord.*

All voices and instruments praising together;  
The people are many, the Body is one.  
In singing and dancing, in writing and painting;  
One in the Spirit, the old and the young.

The Lord has been faithful to all generations,  
Walking beside us through smoke and through flame.  
In sunshine and shadow, protecting, providing;  
In all times and seasons, ever the same!

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,  
Our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home!

*Spirit & Song Children's Choir  
Christy Young, director  
Faithline Youth Choir and The Chancel Choir  
Calvin Ellis, director*

**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.**

GREETINGS

PRAYER FOR THE SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH MUSIC MINISTRY

*Words and Music: Stuart Townend / Romans 5:8*



1. How deep the Fa-ther's love for us, how vast be - yond all mea -  
2. Be - hold the Man up - on a cross, my sin up - on His shoul -  
3. I will not boast in an - y - thing: no gifts, no power, no wis -



sure that He should give His on - ly Son to make a  
ders. A - shamed I hear my mock-ing voice, call out a -  
dom. But I will boast in Je - sus Christ, His death and



wretch His trea - sure. How great the pain of sear - ing loss,  
mong the scof - fers. It was my sin that held Him there,  
re - sur - rec - tion. Why should I gain from His re - ward?



the Fa - ther turns His face a - way, as wounds which mar the  
un - til it was ac - com - plished. His dy - ing breath has  
I can - not give an an - swer; but this I know with



cho - sen One, bring ma - ny sons to glo - ry.  
brought me life; I know that it is fi - nished.  
all my heart; His wounds have paid my ran - som.

*Led by our Sunday Night Worship Team*

The grass withers, the flower fades,

**but the Word of our God will stand forever.** *(Isaiah 40:8)*

# THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

## INVITATION TO THE TABLE

*This is the Lord's table. All who profess their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ are invited to receive communion. If this is not your faith, we would still encourage you to walk forward, knowing that no one will make you take the elements. Any of our elders or pastors will be happy to talk to you about questions or doubts you have about faith in Christ. We encourage children not to take communion until they have joined the church but do welcome them to come forward with their parents to receive a blessing. If you are unable to come forward, please raise your hand and an elder will serve you in your seat.*

*For those in the balcony, please remain seated, and the elements will be served to you in your pew. All communion wafers are gluten free.*

## ✦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

**Most holy and merciful Father,  
we confess to You and to one another,  
that we have sinned against You by what we have done  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved You with our whole hearts, minds, and strength.  
We have not fully loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We have not always had in us the mind of Christ.  
You alone know how often we have grieved You  
by wasting Your gifts and by wandering from Your ways.  
Forgive us, we pray, most merciful Father; and free us from our sin.  
Renew in us the grace and strength of Your Holy Spirit,  
for the sake of Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Savior.**

## INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

### ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON . . . . . Titus 3:4-6

*But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared,  
he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness,  
but according to his own mercy,  
by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit,  
whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior.*

## 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

*During this time, we invite you to join in singing the hymns printed in bold below.*

**"Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!"** . . . . . HYFRYDOL

*Words: J. Wilbur Chapman / Music: Rowland Hugh Pritchard / Matthew 11:19*

**Jesus! What a friend for sinners! Jesus! Lover of my soul;  
Friends may fail me, foes assail me, He, my Savior, makes me whole.**

*Hallelujah! What a Savior! Hallelujah! What a friend!  
Saving, helping, keeping, loving, He is with me to the end.*

**Jesus! What a strength in weakness! Let me hide myself in Him.  
Tempted, tried, and sometimes failing, He, my strength, my victory wins.**

**Jesus! What a help in sorrow! While the billows o'er me roll,  
Even when my heart is breaking, He, my comfort, helps my soul.**

**Jesus! What a guide and keeper! While the tempest still is high,  
Storms about me, night o'ertakes me, He, my pilot, hears my cry.**

**Jesus! I do now receive Him, more than all in Him I find.  
He hath granted me forgiveness, I am His, and He is mine.**

**"Behold the Lamb"** . . . . . Keith Getty, Stuart Townend

*Words and Music: Keith Getty and Stuart Townend / Ezekiel 44:16*

**Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away,  
Slain for us — and we remember  
The promise made that all who come in faith  
Find forgiveness at the cross.  
So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of His sacrifice  
As a sign of our bonds of peace around the table of the King.**

**The body of our Savior Jesus Christ,  
Torn for you — eat and remember.  
The wounds that heal, the death that brings us life  
Paid the price to make us one.  
So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of His sacrifice  
As a sign of our bonds of love around the table of the King.**

**The blood that cleanses every stain of sin,  
Shed for you — drink and remember.  
He drained death's cup that all may enter in  
To receive the life of God.  
So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of His sacrifice  
As a sign of our bonds of grace around the table of the King.**

INSTRUMENTAL MEDITATION:

**"There Is a Fountain Filled With Blood"** . . . . . Gilbert Martin

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

♠HYMN OF RESPONSE..... Keith Getty, Stuart Townend

*Words and Music: Keith Getty and Stuart Townend / Ezekiel 44:16*

**And so with thankfulness and faith we rise  
To respond — and to remember  
Our call to follow in the steps of Christ  
As His body here on earth.  
As we share in His suffering we proclaim Christ will come again!  
And we'll join in the feast of heaven around the table of the King.**

♠BENEDICTION (*please raise hands*)

♠CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

ORGAN POSTLUDE: "Toccata Brevis" ..... Daniel Gawthroppe

♠Indicates congregation standing

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**Your Arm's Too Short**

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**I. Over Evil Spirits** (*Exodus 9:8-11*)

**II. Over Human Heart** (*Exodus 9:12*)

**Getting Connected at Second**

A pastor will be available after the service to pray for you in the Gathering Room, located on the left as you exit the southwest door of the Sanctuary. To find out more about who we are and how you can become part of our church community, or for help with specific concerns, you may contact a member of our pastoral team listed below by calling (901) 454-0034 or emailing [firstname.lastname@2pc.org](mailto:firstname.lastname@2pc.org).

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