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September 8, 2019 Trinity Season



Preparation for Worship

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

Good morning, and welcome to Second Presbyterian Church! If you are a guest or a college student, we are especially grateful to have you with us as we worship the one, true, and living God!

As we begin a new ministry year, it is good to remind ourselves why we design our worship services with several liturgical movements. One of the reasons is to allow the Spirit of God to reorient our hearts and minds to the only story that matters: the story of God.

The first movement starts when the Lord calls us to worship Him. The Westminster Shorter Catechism teaches us that the chief end of man is to glorify God and to enjoy Him forever. We also see from Exodus 8:1 that the Lord redeems us so that we may worship Him; so we begin our services by answering God's call to worship Him "in spirit and in truth."

The second movement focuses on the Lord cleansing us of sin as we confess our sins and receive anew His pardoning grace. Each of us falls short of the glory of God, but each Sunday we remind ourselves of and rejoice over the Good News of the Gospel. We are saved by grace through faith in Jesus Christ alone!

The third movement centers on God strengthening us and speaking to us through the public reading and proclamation of the Scriptures. The other means by which the Lord consecrates and strengthens us are the sacraments and intercessory prayer.

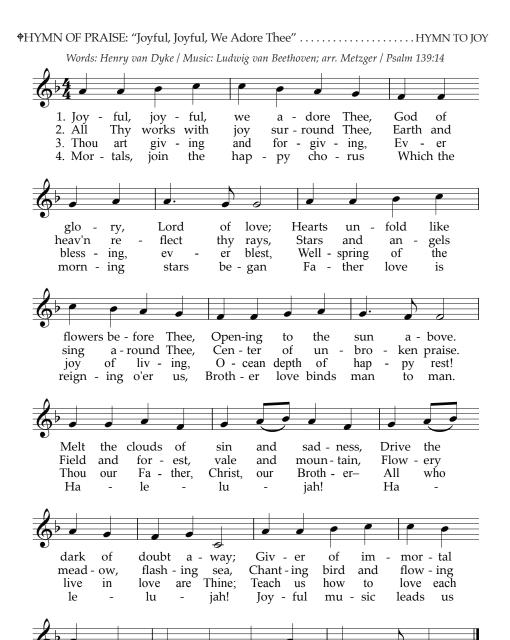
The final movement occurs as the Lord blesses us and sends us out to be His Kingdom representatives in the world. Worshiping as a gathered community is never the final act of the Church in this world. Instead, we are sent forth as God's servants to express and embody the Gospel of Jesus to a lost and dying world.

Therefore, let us pray that our worship would not be rote and mechanical but rather glorify God and reorient our hearts to His story!

LET US ASCRIBE GLORY TO GOD

ORGAN PRELUDE: "Paean – A Song of Triumph" Wilson Oliphant

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How is Christ a king?

As a king, Christ brings us under His power, rules and defends us, and restrains and conquers all His and all our enemies.

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 heavn'ly 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.

LET US RECEIVE THE GRACE OF GOD

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious Father,

in Your great love, You sent Your Son to save us,

to adopt us into Your family,

and to use us as Your kingdom representatives in the world;

But we confess that in our sin,

we often haven't responded to Your grace as we should have.

Rather than love You with all our heart, soul, and mind,

we have loved ourselves.

Rather than love and serve our neighbors,

in our self-centeredness, we have ignored the needs of others.

Rather than build Your kingdom, we have sought to build our own.

Give us Your enabling grace to repent of our disobedience and return us to the joy of our salvation in Christ,

so that we may love and follow Him all the days of our lives.

For we pray this in His matchless name.

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

I formed you; you are my servant; O Israel, you will not be forgotten by me.

I have blotted out your transgressions like a cloud
and your sins like mist; return to me, for I have redeemed you.

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "My Jesus, I Love Thee" arr. Paul Sjolund

Words: William Featherstone / Music: Adoniram Gordon; arr. Paul Sjolund / I John 4:19

My Jesus, I love Thee, I know Thou art mine;

For Thee all the follies of sin I resign;

My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art Thou:

If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

I love Thee because Thou hast first loved me,

And purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree.

I love Thee for wearing the thorns on Thy brow:

If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

In mansions of glory and endless delight

I'll ever adore Thee in heaven so bright;

I'll sing with the glittering crown on my brow:

If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art Thou:

If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

My Jesus, 'tis now.

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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 THANKSGIVING.
 Tim Russell

†GREETINGS

LET US HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER FOR THE 2019-20 FELLOWS

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (please stand)

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.

HYMN OF PREPARATION:

Words and Music: Keith Getty / Psalm 27

Christy Young, soloist:

The grace of God has reached for me, and pulled me from the raging sea.

And I am safe on this solid ground. The Lord is my salvation.

I will not fear when darkness falls. His strength will help me scale these walls. I'll see the dawn of the rising sun. The Lord is my salvation.

Who is like the Lord our God? Strong to save, faithful in love,

My debt is paid in love, my debt is paid

And the vict'ry won, the Lord is my salvation.

†Congregation stands and sings:



SCRIPTURE LESSO	ON	Exodus 8:20-32 (page 50 in the pew Bible)
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SERMON	Take Your Stand!	George Robertson
PRAYER OF COM	MMITMENT	
	MITMENT: No. 575 "Soldiers of Christ, Charles Wesley / Music: George Elvey; arr. Metz	
*BENEDICTION ()	please raise hands)	
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ORGAN POSTLU	JDE: "Toccata from Symphony No. 5" .	Charles-Marie Widor
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Take Your Stand	1	September 8, 2019
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III. Provides Red	demptive Grace (Exodus 8:23, 29-32)	