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PUBLIC WORSHIP *of* GOD

March 25, 2012, 8:15 a.m.



In the Word

*As you enter the Sanctuary, please assume a quiet and respectful attitude of worship.
Please silence your mobile devices.*

INSTRUMENTAL PRELUDE: "Adagio from Enigma Variations" Edward Elgar
*Sam Compton, French horn
Lenora Morrow, organ*

CHORAL INTROIT: "Jesus, Lover of My Soul" HOLLINGSIDE
Jesus, lover of my soul, let me to Thy bosom fly,
While the nearer waters roll, while the tempest still is high.
Hide me, O my Savior, hide, till the storm of life is past;
Safe into the haven guide, O receive my soul at last!
*The Westminster Singers
Gabriel C. Statom, Director of Music*

CALL TO WORSHIP A. Mitchell Moore

✦ HYMN OF PRAISE: No. 529 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" BEECHER

✦ PSALTER READING: Psalm 136:1-9, 23-26. Courtney T. Humphreys

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,
for his steadfast love endures forever.

Give thanks to the God of gods,
for his steadfast love endures forever.

Give thanks to the Lord of lords,
for his steadfast love endures forever;

to him who alone does great wonders,
for his steadfast love endures forever;

to him who by understanding made the heavens,
for his steadfast love endures forever;

to him who spread out the earth above the waters,
for his steadfast love endures forever;

to him who made the great lights,
for his steadfast love endures forever;

the sun to rule over the day,
for his steadfast love endures forever;

the moon and stars to rule over the night,
for his steadfast love endures forever;

It is he who remembered us in our low estate,
for his steadfast love endures forever;

and rescued us from our foes,
for his steadfast love endures forever;

he who gives food to all flesh,
for his steadfast love endures forever.

Give thanks to the God of heaven,
for his steadfast love endures forever.

✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE BEECHER

**Give to God our highest praises, unto Him our voices raise;
Love and goodness go before Him, truth and mercy are His ways.
He Who made the earth and heavens, and redeemed us by His grace,
Be forever loved and worshiped, as we serve before His face.**

✦ PRAYER OF ADORATION

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS TO GOD Michael R. Gatliff

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "My Song Is Love Unknown" Bradley Nelson

My song is love unknown, my Savior's love to me;
Love to the loveless shown that they might lovely be.
O who am I, that for my sake my Lord should give His flesh and die?

Sometimes they strew His way, and His sweet praises sing;
Resounding all the day hosannas to their King.
The "Crucify!" is all their breath, and for His death they thirst and cry.

Why, what has my Lord done to cause this rage and spite?
He made the lame to run, He gave the blind their sight.
Sweet injuries! Yet these are why the Lord Most High so cruelly dies.

Here might I stay and sing of Him my soul adores.
Never was love, dear King, no, never grief like Yours!
This is my Friend, in Whose sweet praise I all my days could gladly spend.

My song is love unknown, my Savior's love to me.

✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE REGENT SQUARE

**Praise the Savior now and ever; praise Him, all beneath the skies;
Prostrate lying, suff'ring, dying on the cross, a sacrifice.
Vict'ry gaining, life obtaining, now in glory He doth rise.**

**Sin's bond severed, we're delivered; Christ has bruised the serpent's head;
Death no longer is the stronger; hell itself is captive led.
Christ has risen from death's prison; o'er the tomb He light has shed.**

✦ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

✦ GREETINGS

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN Lance M. Stockton

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

GOSPEL READING Mark 3:20-35
(page 838 in 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)

SERMON *Is Jesus Out of His Mind?* Sanders L. Willson

At 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.

✦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

**Lord Jesus Christ,
Who loved us with a perfect love
by laying down Your life for us when we were yet sinners,
and Who calls us to love You, each other, and our neighbor,
we confess that we have loved neither You,
nor each other, nor our neighbor as we ought.
We are truly sorry and humbly repent of our unloving lives.
Please forgive us,
and renew within us a sincere desire to walk in Your loving steps,
that we may hereafter honor and glorify You. 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 in bold print.

"Come, Ye Disconsolate" Terre Johnson

Come, ye disconsolate, where'er ye languish.
Come to the mercy seat, fervently kneel.
Here bring your wounded hearts, here tell Your anguish;
Earth has no sorrow that heav'n cannot heal.

Joy of the desolate, Light of the straying,
Hope when all others die, fadeless and pure!
Here speaks the Comforter, tenderly saying,
"Earth has no sorrow that heav'n cannot cure."

Here see the Bread of Life, see waters flowing
Forth from the throne of God, pure from above.
Come to the feast of love; Come, ever knowing
Earth has no sorrow but heav'n can remove.

"My Jesus, I Love Thee" CARITAS

**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.**

**I'll love Thee in life, I will love Thee in death;
And praise Thee as long as Thou lendest me breath;
And say, when the death-dew lies cold on my 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.**

"O Love that Will Not Let Me Go" Ralph Manuel

O Love that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in Thee;
I give Thee back the life I owe, that in Thine ocean depths its flow
May richer, fuller be.

O Light that foll'west all my way, I yield my flick'ring torch to Thee;
My heart restores its borrowed ray, that in Thy sunshine's glow its day
May brighter, fairer be.

O Joy that seekest me through pain, I cannot close my heart to Thee;
I trace the rainbow through the rain, and feel the promise is not vain
That morn shall tearless be.

O Cross that liftest up my head, I dare not ask to hide from Thee;
I lay in dust life's glory dead, and from the ground there blossoms red
Life that shall endless be.

"O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus!" EBENEZER

**O the deep, deep love of Jesus!
Vast, unmeasured, boundless free;
Rolling as a mighty ocean in its fullness over me.
Underneath me, all around me,
Is the current of Thy love;
Leading onward, leading homeward,
To Thy glorious rest above.**

O the deep, deep love of Jesus!
Spread His praise from shore to shore;
How He loveth, ever loveth, changeth never, nevermore;
How He watches o'er His loved ones,
Died to call them all His own;
How for them He intercedeth,
Watcheth o'er them from the throne.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus!
Love of ev'ry love the best:
'Tis an ocean vast of blessing, 'tis a haven sweet of rest.
O the deep, deep love of Jesus!
'Tis a heav'n of heav'ns to me;
And it lifts me up to glory,
For it lifts me up to Thee.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

✦HYMN OF DEVOTIONHAMBURG

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.
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: "Flourish for an Occasion" William H. Harris

✦Indicates congregation standing CCLI License #252778

We consider it a privilege to have our children in worship with us. If your small children become restless and vocal, we invite you to the children's room especially designed for them at the rear of the Sanctuary. They are also welcome in the nursery. Older children should also be encouraged to come to church prepared to stay in their pew throughout the service.

One of our pastors will be available after the service to pray for you or to offer helpful direction regarding your spiritual life. He will be in the Gathering Room, which is the first room on your left as you exit the southwest door of the Sanctuary (closest to the pulpit). You may also send your confidential email to pastor@2pc.org with questions about your spiritual life.

Holy Week Worship Begins Sunday, April 1

Our Holy Week preaching series, which begins on Palm Sunday — April 1, will focus on John's account of the passion of Christ. Monday through Friday, we will study Jesus' time with the disciples in the Upper Room before His crucifixion.

We invite you to worship with us daily to hear Jesus' words to encourage and prepare His followers for His death, resurrection, and ascension. See today's bulletin insert or visit www.2pc.org/easter for a full worship schedule.

Easter Flower Form

I/We wish to contribute \$_____ to the Flower Ministry of Second Presbyterian Church for use in decorating the church for Easter in memory or in honor of loved ones. Please acknowledge the gift (omitting the amount) in the bulletin on Sunday, April 8 as follows:

Please check **ONLY one**: ___ in Memory of ___ in Honor of ___ in Gratitude for
Name: _____

Given By: _____ Phone # of Donor: _____

April 1, 2011 is the deadline for the inclusion of names in the bulletin.
Please return this form with your check to Second Presbyterian, 4055 Poplar,
Memphis, TN 38111, clearly designating the gift for "The Flower Ministry."