

# ORDER FOR THE PUBLIC WORSHIP of GOD

October 6, 2013, 11:00 a.m. World Communion Sunday



# **Celebrating Grace**

As you enter the Sanctuary, please assume a quiet and respectful attitude of worship.

Please silence your mobile devices.

#### PRAYER OF PREPARATION

one God, forever and ever. Amen.

You are invited to pray, perhaps including the following prayer, as you prepare for worship.

Almighty and everlasting God,
You are always more ready to hear than we to pray
and to give more than we either desire or deserve:
Pour upon us the abundance of Your mercy,
forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid
and giving us those good things
for which we are not worthy to ask,
except through the merits and mediation
of Jesus Christ our Savior,
who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,

ORGAN IMPROVISATION: "By Grace I Am an Heir of Heaven"...........NEUMARK

Lenora Morrow, organ

STRINGS PRELUDE: "His Eye Is on the Sparrow" ...... arr. Jeff Anderson

Why should I feel discouraged, why should the shadows come, Why should my heart be lonely, and long for heaven and home, When Jesus is my portion? My constant friend is He: His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me. I sing because I'm happy, I sing because I'm free, For His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me.

CHORAL INTROIT: "By Grace I Am an Heir of Heaven" ......NEUMARK

By grace I am an heir of heaven: why doubt this, O my trembling heart? If what the Scriptures promise clearly is true and firm in ev'ry part, This also must be truth divine: by grace a crown of life is mine.

By grace alone shall I inherit that blissful home beyond the skies. Works count for naught, the Lord incarnate has won for me the heav'nly prize. Salvation by His death He wrought, His grace alone my pardon bought.

By grace! Be this in death my comfort; despite my fears, 'tis well with me. I know my sin in all its greatness, but also Him who sets me free. My heart to naught but joy gives place since I am saved by grace, by grace.

The Chancel Choir Gabriel C. Statom, Director of Music

♦HYMN OF GRACE: No. 460 "Amazing Grace!"...... AMAZING GRACE

♦READING FROM THE EPISTLES: Ephesians 2:8-10 . . . . . . Candace C. Willis

For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

♦CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . OLD HUNDREDTH In Thy dear cross a grace is found; It flows from every streaming wound. Whose power our inbred sin controls Breaks the firm bond and frees our souls. Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen. **PRAYER OF ADORATION** PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "It Is Well with My Soul" ...... arr. Eric Nelson When peace like a river attendeth my way, When sorrows like sea billows roll, Whatever my lot, Thou has taught me to say, It is well, it is well with my soul. It is well, it is well with my soul. Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come, Let this blest assurance control, That Christ hath regarded my helpless estate, And hath shed His own blood for my soul. My sin, oh, the bliss of that glorious thought; My sin, not in part, but the whole, Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more; Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! It is well, it is well with my soul. And Lord, haste the day when our faith shall be sight, The clouds be rolled back as a scroll, The trumpet shall resound, and the Lord shall descend; Even so, it is well with my soul. It is well, it is well with my soul. ♦CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE ....... VILLE DU HAVRE It is well with my soul. It is well, it is well with my soul. **†**GREETINGS Speaking Grace PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION READING FROM THE EPISTLES..... Ephesians 4:29 (page 978 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) **HOMILY** A. Mitchell Moore Saved by Grace to Give Grace PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

# **Receiving Grace**

#### 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.

## †HYMN OF INVITATION ST. COLUMBA

How sweet and awesome is the place with Christ within the doors, While everlasting love displays the choicest of her stores.

"Why was I made to hear Your voice, and enter while there's room, When thousands make a wretched choice, and rather starve than come?"

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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 ..... GREATOREX

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

O Father, we ask that You forgive our sins – especially the misuse of our tongues.

We confess that we have spoken harshly and critically of our family, friends, and others in Your church.

We have maligned those created in Your image and have used our tongues deceitfully – praising You one minute and tearing down Your children the next. Forgive us, we pray.

Tame our tongues so that our worship of You will be pure and free from hypocrisy so that many would come to worship You

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

In Jesus' name. Amen.

by seeing the love we have for one another.

#### ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

#### LITANY OF PRAISE

Lift up your hearts.

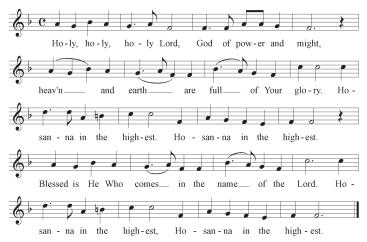
We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

It is meet and right so to do.

It is very meet, right, and our joyful duty, that we should at all times and in all places, give thanks unto You, O Holy Lord, Father Almighty, Everlasting God. And we praise You for Your one and only Son, Jesus Christ, Who lovingly gave Himself for us that we may have life forevermore.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify Your glorious Name; evermore praising You and saying:



#### 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.

#### †HYMN OF APPROACH. ST. COLUMBA

While all our hearts and all our songs join to admire the feast, Each of us cries, with thankful tongue, "Lord, why was I a guest?"

'Twas the same love that spread the feast that sweetly drew us in; Else we had still refused to taste, and perished in our sin.

#### BREAKING OF THE BREAD

INSTRUMENTAL MEDITATION: "My Faith Looks Up to Thee"..... arr. Dan Askins

My faith looks up to Thee, Thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine! Now hear me while I pray, take all my guilt away, O let me from this day be wholly Thine!

May Thy rich grace impart strength to my fainting heart, my zeal inspire!

As Thou hast died for me, O may my love to Thee,

Pure warm, and changeless be, a living fire!

#### SHARING OF THE CUP

#### INSTRUMENTAL MEDITATION:

"Fairest Lord, Jesus" . . . . . arr. Joan Pinkston

Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature, Son of God and Son of Man! Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor, Thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

"Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee" . . . . . . . . . . . . . . arr. Diane Pinner

Jesus, the very thought of Thee with sweetness fills my breast; But sweeter far Thy face to see, and in Thy presence rest.

#### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

†HYMN OF COMMITMENT: No. 585 "Take My Life, and Let It Be" . . . . . . . . . HENDONstanzas 1, 3 & 6

#### **†BENEDICTION**

 CHORAL RESPONSE: "The Peace of God"
 John Rutter

The peace of God,
Which passeth all understanding,
Keep your hearts and minds
In the knowledge and love of God,
And of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
And the blessing of God almighty,
The Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost
Be amongst you and remain with you always.
Amen.

ORGAN POSTLUDE: "The Crown Imperial" . . . . . . . . . William Walton

♦Indicates congregation standing

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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.