



ORDER FOR THE
PUBLIC WORSHIP *of* GOD

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8:15 a.m.


Second
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

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

Throughout the history of the church, Christians have devoted themselves to reading, praying, and singing the Psalms in worship. This book of praises serves beautifully as our manual of corporate prayer and praise. It also functions as a treasury of devotion for our private communing with God.

This morning we particularly focus on Psalm 19, 90, and 91. These Psalms teach us that the transcendent Creator God who made all things to declare His glory is the same God who is a sure refuge and protector of His people.

Why should we commit ourselves to regularly reading, praying, and singing the Psalms? Eugene Peterson provides a compelling answer: "The Psalms teach us how to answer God. They are God's gift to train us in prayer that is comprehensive and honest. In the history of prayer they stand out with an awkward singularity. What is essential in prayer is not that we learn to express ourselves, but that we learn to answer God. The Psalms show us how to answer God." May our worship today help us learn better how to answer our God!

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

ORGAN PRELUDE: "Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah" Paul Manz
Samuel Metzger, organ

ORCHESTRAL PRELUDE: "Andante" from *Piano Concerto No. 21 in C* . . .W.A. Mozart
David Dennis, piano

CHORAL INTROIT: "The Heavens Declare"G.F. Handel
From Psalm 19:1-2

The heav'ns declare the works of God, and the firmament resounds.
Day unto day eternally sings; from night to night doth wisdom wing.

*The Youth Choir
Ginger Statom, Director*

CALL TO WORSHIPDavid A. Bowen

♣HYMN OF GOD'S GLORY: No. 122 "God, All Nature Sings Thy Glory" . . .ODE TO JOY

♣PSALTER LESSON: Psalm 19:1-6. Ethan Knight

The heavens declare the glory of God,
and the sky above proclaims his handiwork.

**Day to day pours out speech,
and night to night reveals knowledge.**

There is no speech, nor are there words,
whose voice is not heard.

**Their voice goes out through all the earth,
and their words to the end of the world.**

In them he has set a tent for the sun,
which comes out like a bridegroom leaving his chamber,
and, like a strong man, runs its course with joy.

**Its rising is from the end of the heavens,
and its circuit to the end of them,
and there is nothing hidden from its heat.**

✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE ODE TO JOY

**Hallelujah, praise Jehovah, from the heavens praise His name;
Praise Jehovah in the highest, all His angels, praise proclaim.
All His hosts, together praise Him, sun and moon and stars on high;
Praise Him, O you heav'ns of heavens, and you floods above the sky.**

✦ PRAYER OF ADORATION

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM:

“All Who Dwell in the Shadow of the Lord” Z. Randall Stroope
Based on Psalms 90 and 91

At the first light of day, Lauda, laudé!
When the sun reaches noon, Lauda, laudé!
And then at sunset, Lauda, laudé!
Or at the midnight, Lauda, laudé!
All who dwell in the shadow of the Lord, find a refuge and fortress;
Nation, village or faith of a small child, home they find in him.

May we sing, sing for joy, Lauda, laudé!
May our days all be glad, Lauda, laudé!
May we have wisdom, Lauda, laude! May we have truth, Lauda, laude!
All who dwell in the shadow of the Lord, find a refuge and fortress;
Nation, village or faith of a small child, home they find in him.

Plagues and serpents of the dark, pestilence that stalks the night,
They who harm, who destroy, those who spread fear and terror,
But those who make the Lord most high their refuge and their dwelling,
No fear, no harm, no foe will come near your land,
No shame, no death, no evil consume or destroy. Lauda, laudé!

All who dwell in the shadow of the Lord, find a refuge and fortress,
Lauda, laudé! Lauda, laudé! Lauda, laudé!

Lauda and Laudé both are Latin for “praise.”

*The Westminster Singers
Gabriel C. Statom, Director of Music*

✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE ST. ANNE

**A thousand ages in Your sight are like an evening gone;
Short as the watch that ends the night before the rising sun.
Our God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come:
O be our guard while troubles last, and our eternal home.**

✦ PRAYER OF DEDICATION Richard G. Cain

✦ GREETINGS

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN Margaret S. Stephens

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

GOSPEL LESSON John 5:1-18
(page 890 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. Amen.** *(Isaiah 40:6b, 8)*

HOMILY *Healed After 38 Years* Sanders L. Willson

THE LITURGY OF 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.

Gluten free communion bread is available upon request from the elder at the east side of the transverse aisle (opposite from the door leading to the Connector).

✦ PROFESSION OF 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

**Merciful Father, for the things we have done that we regret, forgive us;
for the things we have failed to do that we regret, forgive us;
for the times we have acted without love, forgive us;
for the times we have reacted without thought, forgive us;
for the times we have withdrawn care, forgive us;
for the times we have refused to forgive, forgive us.
For hurtful words said and helpful words unsaid,
God of all time, forgive us and help us to lay down our burden of regret
so that we experience anew the wonder of abounding grace
and costly love through Jesus Christ our Lord, 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 printed in bold below.

"My Faith Has Found a Resting Place" LANDAS
Reference page 468 in the hymnal for music.

**My faith has found a resting place, not in device or creed;
I trust the ever living One, His wounds for me shall plead.**

*I need no other argument, I need no other plea,
It is enough that Jesus died, and that He died for me.*

**Enough for me that Jesus saves, this ends my fear and doubt;
A sinful soul I come to Him, He'll never cast me out.**

**My heart is leaning on the Word, the living Word of God,
Salvation by my Savior's Name, salvation through His blood.**

**My great Physician heals the sick, the lost He came to save;
For me His precious blood He shed, for me His life He gave.**

"Communion Hymn" Keith Getty



1. Be - hold the Lamb who bears our sins a - way, slain for us:
2. The bod - y of our Sav - ior, Je - sus Christ, torn for you:
3. The blood that cleans - es ev - 'ry stain of sin, shed for you:
4. And so with thank - ful - ness and faith we rise to re-pond



And we re-mem - ber the prom - ise made that all who
Eat and re-mem - ber the wounds that heal, the death that
Drink and re-mem - ber He drained death's cup that all may
and to re-mem - ber our call to fol - low in the



come in faith find for - give - ness at the cross. So, we share in this
brings us life, paid the price to make us one. So, we share in this
en - ter in to re - ceive the life of God. So, we share in this
steps of Christ as His bod - y here on earth. As we share in His



Bread of Life, and we drink of His sac - ri - fice, as a sign
Bread of Life, and we drink of His sac - ri - fice, as a sign
Bread of Life, and we drink of His sac - ri - fice, as a sign
Suf - fer - ing, we pro - claim: Christ will come a - gain! And we'll join



of our bonds of peace a - round the ta - ble of the King.
of our bonds of love a - round the ta - ble of the King.
of our bonds of grace a - round the ta - ble of the King.
in the feast of heav'n a - round the ta - ble of the King.

"How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds" ST. PETER
Reference page 647 in the hymnal for music.

**How sweet the Name of Jesus sounds in a believer's ear!
It soothes his sorrows, heals his wounds, and drives away his fear.**

**It makes the wounded spirit whole, and calms the troubled breast;
'Tis manna to the hungry soul, and to the weary, rest.**

**Dear Name, the Rock on which I build, my Shield and Hiding Place,
My never failing treasury, filled with boundless stores of grace!**

**Jesus! my Shepherd, Husband, Friend, O Prophet, Priest and King,
My Lord, my Life, my Way, my End, accept the praise I bring.**

**Weak is the effort of my heart, and cold my warmest thought;
But when I see Thee as Thou art, I'll praise Thee as I ought.**

**Till then I would Thy love proclaim with every fleeting breath,
And may the music of Thy Name refresh my soul in death!**

"Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me" NEW CITY FELLOWSHIP
Reference page 500 in the hymnal for music.

**Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in Thee;
Let the water and the blood, from Thy wounded side which flowed,
Be of sin the double cure; save from wrath and make me pure.**

**Not the labor of my hands can fulfill Thy law's demands;
Could my zeal no respite know, could my tears forever flow,
All for sin could not atone; Thou must save, and Thou alone.**

**Nothing in my hand I bring, simply to the cross I cling;
Naked, come to Thee for dress; helpless look to Thee for grace;
Foul, I to the fountain fly; wash me, Savior, or I die.**

**While I draw this fleeting breath, when mine eyelids close in death,
When I soar to worlds unknown, see Thee on Thy judgment throne,
Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in Thee.**

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

✦ DOXOLOGY OLD HUNDRETH

**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.**

✦ BENEDICTION

✦ CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

ORGAN POSTLUDE: "Toccata" from *Symphony No. 5* Charles-Marie Widor

✦ *Indicates congregation standing* CCLI License #252778

Getting Connected

To find out more about who we are and how you can become part of our church community, contact Todd Erickson at (901) 531-8895 or todd.erickson@2pc.org.