

# ORDER FOR THE PUBLIC WORSHIP of GOD

July 10, 2016 8:15 a.m.



### WORSHIP REFLECTIONS

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

In our study of the Ten Commandments this summer, we are learning that each commandment offers us insight into God's character. For example, what kind of God would say to us, "You shall not steal"? Only a just and generous God who can be fully trusted, who would never rob us or defraud us, who would never lie or cheat, who would never hold out on us wrongly, who is not out for Himself, who feels no need but only overflowing kindness. This is Jesus Christ, our Lord.

In fact, "Jesus transforms the eighth commandment by helping us to set our hearts on true treasure. Private property keeps its value only as long as this earth lasts. True treasure can only be stored up in heaven. Jesus himself brought the treasure of heaven to us by coming to establish a lasting kingdom, in which we have an inheritance. That inheritance is his very presence, for he is the treasure which we must value above all others." — *Edmund Clowney* 

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

INSTRUMENTAL PRELUDE: "Echoes of Joy"
Samuel Metzger, piano; Dee Walker, flute and piccolo
CALL TO WORSHIP
HYMN OF PRAISE: No. 172 "Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder" ALL SAINTS OLD stanzas 1-4
PRAYER OF ADORATION
*GREETINGS
A WORD TO THE CHILDRENLee Taylor
PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION
PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS
Today and next Sunday, we are collecting a special offering for the Caring Ministry Fund.  This fund assists those in need among our members and in our community.  If you would like to contribute, please use the special envelope in the pew rack  or mark your check "for Caring Ministry."
INSTRUMENTAL OFFERTORY: "Jesus, Priceless Treasure"
Jesus, priceless treasure, source of purest pleasure, truest Friend to me: Ah, how long in anguish shall my spirit languish, yearning, Lord, for Thee? Thine I am, O spotless Lamb! I will suffer naught to hide Thee, naught I ask beside Thee.
Hence with earthly treasure! Thou art all my pleasure, Jesus, all my choice. Hence, Thou empty glory! Naught to me Thy story, told my tempting voice. Pain or loss or shame or cross shall not from my Savior move me, since He deigns to love me.
♦CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE
Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise, Thou mine inheritance, now and always: Thou and Thou only, first in my heart, High King of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won,

Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,

Still be my vision, O ruler of all.

May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!

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

The Ten Commandments: No Stealing

Michael G. Stokke

## 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).

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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

God our heavenly Father,
You are a just and generous God
who calls us to sacrificially love others
since Your Son gave Himself for us on the cross.
Forgive us for the ways
that we have wronged, deprived, and cheated others.
Pardon us for allowing worldly cares, deceitful riches
and inordinate desires for other things
to choke out the fruit of Your Word in our lives.
We confess that we have not been as diligent, generous,
fair, honest, punctual, and faithful as You call us to be.
Have mercy upon us for the sake of Your Son, our Savior, Amen.

#### ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

#### 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

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 below.



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

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?"

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?"

'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.

Pity the nations, O our God, constrain the earth to come; Send Your victorious Word abroad, and bring the strangers home.

We long to see Your churches full, that all the chosen race May, with one voice and heart and soul, sing Your redeeming grace.

"At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing" .......ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR Reference page 420 in the hymnal for music.

At the Lamb's high feast we sing praise to our victorious King, Who has washed us in the tide flowing from His pierced side; Praise we Him whose love divine gives His sacred blood for wine, Gives His body for the feast, Christ the victim, Christ the priest.

Where the paschal blood is poured, death's dark angel sheathes his sword Israel's hosts triumphant go through the wave that drowns the foe. Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, paschal victim, paschal bread; With sincerity and love eat we manna from above.

Mighty victim from the sky, pow'rs of hell beneath thee lie; Death is conquered in the fight, Thou hast brought us life and light: Hymns of glory and of praise, risen Lord, to Thee we raise; Holy Father, praise to Thee, with the Spirit, ever be.

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

 CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE
 ALL SAINTS OLD

Let us praise, and join the chorus of the saints enthroned on high; Here they trusted Him before us, now their praises fill the sky: "You have washed us with Your blood; You are worthy, Lamb of God!"

## **†BENEDICTION**

