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July 16, 2017, 8:15 a.m. Trinity Season



Preparation for Worship

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

Today we come to worship the Lord Jesus Christ who has revealed Himself as the Good Shepherd. What is His distinguishing mark? The true shepherd lays down His life for the sheep. David was a shepherd. You remember that when a lion and a bear came and took away the sheep, David went after his sheep and rescued it, and slew both the lion and the bear (I Samuel 17:35). Yet David did not give his life for the sheep. But Christ gave Himself for us. (Ephesians 5:25). He so loved us that He gave His life.

Note what Jesus offers you — HIMSELF. "I am the good shepherd, the good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep." What is Jesus saying? I am willing to do two things: Lay down my life for you, and, secondly, give myself to you. And, in embracing me for who I am, you will be compelled to lay down your life for others (I John 3:16).

Let us prepare to worship our Savior for His sacrificial love of us so that we might be equipped to imitate Him in sacrificially loving others!

Adapted from Robert Murray McCheyne, A Basket of Fragments, 1843

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

ORGAN PRELUDE: Fanfare on "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"
SCRIPTURAL CALL TO WORSHIP
PHYMN OF PRAISE: No. 302 "Come, Christians, Join to Sing"
PSALTER LESSON: Psalm 23
The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He makes me to lie down in green pastures;
He leads me beside the still waters.
He restores my soul;
He leads me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake.
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil;
For You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.
You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil; my cup runs over.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life;
And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Come to the Savior all; Alleluia, Amen! Hear now His loving call; Alleluia, Amen! Come find for ev'ry grief in Him, a sure relief; His arm will safely keep; Alleluia, Amen!

†PRAYER OF ADORATION

†GREETINGS

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN .	Da	ın

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

I am the Shepherd. You are mine.

I lead you to pasture. Come and follow!

I give to you my boundless life.

I am the Shepherd. You are mine.

You are a gift from the Father,

That no one can take from my hand.

He and I are one with you, and we love you forever.

I am the Shepherd. You are mine.

I lay down my life and do it gladly.

I give myself for you, my friend.

I am the Shepherd. You are mine.

You are mine forever.

Women's Ensemble Christy Young, Director Terri Theil, Director

The King of love my Shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never; I nothing lack if I am His and He is mine forever.

Where streams of living water flow my ransomed soul He leadeth, And where the verdant pastures grow, with food celestial feedeth.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

. John 10:11-18 (page 896 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

I AM the Good Shepherd

Gerry A. Peak

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).

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.

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

Almighty God, we ask You for grace to recall our needs:
To know Your will, to care for others, to repent daily of our sin, to pray consistently, to be zealous for Your glory, and to find our deepest joy and delight in You and in Your holy will. We confess that we have failed to seek out Your will in Scripture, that we have kept You at bay while enjoying our sin, and have sought our own ends and lived for our own glory. Have mercy upon us and forgive us.
Work in us a transforming repentance, a grief for sin that trembles and fears yet ever trusts and sees clearly the brightness and glories of the saving cross; for the sake of Jesus our Savior. Amen.

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

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 in bold below.

Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, but yet in love He sought me, And on His shoulder gently laid, and home, rejoicing, brought me.

In death's dark vale I fear no ill with Thee, dear Lord, beside me; Thy rod and staff my comfort still, Thy cross before to guide me.

Thou spread'st a table in my sight; Thine unction grace bestoweth; And O what transport of delight from Thy pure chalice floweth.

And so through all the length of days Thy goodness faileth never: Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise within Thy house forever.

There is a fountain filled with blood, drawn from Immanuel's veins; And sinners, plunged beneath that flood, lose all their guilty stains: Lose all their guilty stains, lose all their guilty stains; And sinners, plunged beneath that flood, lose all their guilty stains.

The dying thief rejoiced to see that fountain in His day; And there have I, as vile as he, washed all my sins away: Washed all my sins away, washed all my sins away; And there have I, as vile as he, washed all my sins away.

E'er since by faith I saw the stream your flowing wounds supply, Redeeming love has been my theme, and shall be till I die: And shall be till I die, and shall be till I die; Redeeming love has been my theme, and shall be till I die.

Then in a nobler, sweeter song I'll sing your pow'r to save, When this poor lisping, stamm'ring tongue lies silent in the grave: Lies silent in the grave, lies silent in the grave; When this poor lisping, stamm'ring tongue lies silent in the grave.

Dear dying Lamb, Your precious blood shall never lose its pow'r, Till all the ransomed church of God be saved to sin no more: Be saved to sin no more, be saved to sin no more; Till all the ransomed church of God be saved to sin no more.

"Jesus Paid It All"......ALL TO CHRIST Reference page 308 in the Hymnal for music.

I hear the Savior say, "Your strength indeed is small; Child of weakness, watch and pray, find in Me your all in all."

Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe; Sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow.

Lord, now indeed I find Your power, and yours alone, Can change the leper's spots, and melt the heart of stone.

For nothing good have I whereby Your grace to claim— I'll wash my garments white in the blood of Calv'ry's Lamb.

And when, before the throne, I stand in Him complete, "Jesus died my soul to save," my lips shall still repeat.

"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"	HAMBURG
Reference page 252 in the Hymnal for music.	

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.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ my God: All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to His blood.

See, from His head, His hands, His feet, sorrow and love flow mingled dowr Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

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**

♦ Indicates congregation standing

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