

# Order for the Public Worship of God

The First Day of May, Two Thousand and Eleven

Season of Eastertide

8:15 and 11:00 a.m. • The Sanctuary

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

ORGAN PRELUDE: "Jesus, Priceless Treasure" . . . . . J.S. Bach

*Lenora Morrow, Organist*

CHORAL INTROIT: "Sing Alleluia" . . . . . David Perry

Arise and welcome the dawn: the night of darkness is gone.  
Sing alleluia, sing alleluia; sing praise to the glory of God.

Rejoice with jubilant sound; the hills with echoes resound.  
Sing alleluia, sing alleluia; with voices of praise, now arise!

The glory of the Lord shines over heaven and earth.  
His mighty deeds are known: His wisdom and His pow'r.

*Youth Choir  
Ginger Statom, Director*

CALL TO WORSHIP . . . . . Andrew P. Wells

♠HYMN OF RESURRECTION: No. 273 "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today" . . . . . LLANFAIR

♠READING FROM THE PSALMS: Psalm 148 . . . . . Kathy B. Hammond (8:15)  
David T. Popwell (11:00)

Praise the Lord!

**Praise the Lord from the heavens;  
praise him in the heights!**

Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his hosts!

**Praise him, sun and moon,  
praise him, all you shining stars!**

Praise him, you highest heavens,  
and you waters above the heavens!

**Let them praise the name of the Lord!  
For he commanded and they were created.**

And he established them forever and ever;

**he gave a decree, and it shall not pass away.**

Praise the Lord from the earth, you great sea creatures and all deeps,

**fire and hail, snow and mist,  
stormy wind fulfilling his word!**

Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars!

**Beasts and all livestock,  
creeping things and flying birds!**

Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth!

**Young men and maidens together,  
old men and children!**

Let them praise the name of the Lord, for his name alone is exalted;

**his majesty is above earth and heaven.**

He has raised up a horn for his people,  
praise for all his saints, for the people of Israel who are near to him.

**Praise the Lord!**

♣ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE . . . . . LLANFAIR

**Hail, the Lord of earth and heav'n! Alleluia!  
Praise to Thee by both be giv'n; Alleluia!  
Thee we greet triumphant now; Alleluia!  
Hail, the Resurrection, thou! Alleluia!**

♣ PRAYER OF ADORATION

READING FROM THE EPISTLES . . . . . Philippians 3:17-21  
*(page 981 in pew Bible)*

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
Who graciously sent Your Son to triumph over sin and death,  
and Who calls us to live as children of the light,  
we confess that we have often failed to walk in resurrection power,  
but have followed the devices and desires of our own hearts  
and have set our minds on earthly things.  
Please forgive our sin, our rebellion, and our ingratitude.  
Enable us again to walk faithfully with You,  
in eager anticipation of the glorious day  
when You shall transform us by Your power  
into the very likeness of Your Son,  
in Whose wonderful Name we pray. Amen.**

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

♣ HYMN OF GRATITUDE . . . . . REDHEAD 76

**When I stand before the throne, dressed in beauty not my own,  
When I see Thee as Thou art, love Thee with un sinning heart,  
Then, Lord, shall I fully know, not till then, how much I owe.  
  
When the praise of heav'n I hear, loud as thunders to the ear,  
Loud as many waters' noise, sweet as harp's melodious voice,  
Then, Lord, shall I fully know, not till then, how much I owe.**

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS TO GOD . . . . . Michael G. Stokke

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "City Called Heaven" . . . . . Spiritual/arr. Poelinitz

I am a pilgrim of sorrow,  
I'm left in this wide world alone!  
I ain't got no hope for tomorrow,  
I'm trying to make it, make heaven my home.

Sometimes I'm tossed and I'm driven, Lord.  
Sometimes I just don't know which way to turn.  
Oh, I heard of a city called Heaven,  
I'm trying to make it, make Heaven my home.

*John Edwards, soloist*

♣ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE . . . . . ROLL CALL

**When the trumpet of the Lord shall sound and time shall be no more,  
And the morning breaks, eternal, bright, and fair;  
When the saved of earth shall gather over on the other shore,  
And the roll is called up yonder, I'll be there.  
  
When the roll is called up yonder,  
When the roll is called up yonder,  
When the roll is called up yonder,  
When the roll is called up yonder, I'll be there.**

✦PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

✦GREETINGS

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN (8:15)

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION 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.**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

READING FROM THE GOSPELS . . . . . Luke 16:10-13  
(page 875 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 *Living in the World:  
Managing Possessions* Sanders L. Willson

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

✦HYMN OF DEDICATION: No. 585 "Take My Life, and Let It Be" . . . . . HENDON  
stanzas 1, 4 & 6

✦BENEDICTION

✦CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

ORGAN POSTLUDE: "Carillon-Sortie" . . . . . Henri Mulet

✦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.*