

# ORDER FOR THE PUBLIC WORSHIP of GOD

August 26, 2012



## **Praising His Name**

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

Please silence your mobile devices.

> The Westminster Singers (8:15), The Chancel Choir (11:00) Gabriel C. Statom, Director of Music

 $\Phi$ HYMN OF PRAISE: No. 167 "When Morning Gilds the Skies" . . . . . LAUDES DOMINI stanzas 1-4

PSALTER READING: Psalm 34:1-10Kathy B. Hammond (8:15)Blanche P. Tosh (11:00)

I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

My soul makes its boast in the Lord; let the humble hear and be glad.

Oh, magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together!

I sought the Lord, and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears.

Those who look to him are radiant, and their faces shall never be ashamed.

This poor man cried, and the Lord heard him and saved him out of all his troubles.

The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him, and delivers them.

Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!

Oh, fear the Lord, you his saints, for those who fear him have no lack!

The young lions suffer want and hunger; but those who seek the Lord lack no good thing.

♦CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE......LAUDES DOMINI

Let earth's wide circle round in joyful notes resound: May Jesus Christ be praised. Let air and sea and sky, from depth to height, reply: May Jesus Christ be praised.

Be this, while life is mine, my canticle divine: May Jesus Christ be praised. Be this th'eternal song, through all the ages on: May Jesus Christ be praised.

**†PRAYER OF ADORATION** 

## **Receiving His Grace**

### CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty and merciful Father, we are thankful that Your mercy is higher than the heavens, wider than our wanderings, deeper than all our sin. Forgive our careless attitudes toward Your purposes, our refusal to relieve the suffering of others, our envy of those who have more than we have, our obsession with creating a life of constant pleasure, our indifference to the treasures of heaven, our neglect of Your wise and gracious law. Help us to change our way of life so that we may desire what is good, love what You love, and do what You command, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

#### ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

♦HYMN OF GRACE AND ASSURANCE:

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS...... Ronald G. Sadlow

Text from Isaiah 40:21-31

Have you not known? Have you not heard? Has it not been told you that the everlasting God Dwells on high in starry splendor? His glory is unspeakable; His pow'r shall never fail.

They that wait on the Lord shall renew their strength. They shall mount up as eagles; they shall run and not grow weary; They shall walk and never faint.

To whom will God, the Lord, compare? Who can stand His equal? By His word He formed the heav'ns; By His pow'r He e'er sustains them. Vain rulers perish hopelessly; strong nations come to naught.

Then why complain, O Israel? Why downcast, O Jacob? Do you think He does not see? Is your way now disregarded? His knowledge is unsearchable, His wisdom strong and sure.

Have you not known? Have you not heard? Has it not been told you that the everlasting God Neither tires nor grows weary? E'en youths shall stumble helplessly, the young grow weak and faint.

♦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!

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

**†**GREETINGS

## **Believing His Word**

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.

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** 

This Changes Everything

D. Todd Erickson

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

\*HYMN OF WONDER: No. 296 "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!" . . . CORONATIONstanzas 1, 2, 5 & 6

- **†BENEDICTION**
- *†***CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN**

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

♦ 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.

## **Congregational Meeting**

The Session has called the congregation to meet today at the 8:15 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. worship services to approve the slate of 2013 officer nominees.

**Elder nominees:** Earl Blankenship, Lee Burns, Bob Coleman, John Hammons, John E. Holmes, David Leake, Joe Morrison, Chip Peebles, Jerry Roberts, Andy Turnage, Daniel Williams and Lewis Williamson.

**Deacon nominees:** Nancy Coe, Danny Donovan, Jim Echols, Blake Elliott, Bill Finnell, Sean Haynes, McKee Humphreys, Blake Neill, Michael Stockburger, Mike Taylor, Tread Thompson, Jud Towner, Reg Udouj, Roy West, Sheng Zhou; **2-year term:** Jerry Bowman, Jim Cantrell, Randy Flatt, Frank Stallworth and Vicki Weber.

**Elder Emeriti nominees:** Sam Barry, Mickey Ison, John P. Holmes and Traverse Read.