



ORDER FOR THE
PUBLIC WORSHIP *of* GOD

September 16, 2012



Praising His Name

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

ORGAN PRELUDE: "When Love Is Found" arr. Emma Lou Diemer
Lenora Morrow, Organist

A WORD ON WORSHIP *With Heart and Voice* Sanders L. Willson

CHORAL INTROIT: "How Can I Keep from Singing" Quaker Hymn/arr. Tyler

My life flows on in endless song;
Above earth's lamentation
I hear the sweet though far off hymn
That hails a new creation:
No storm can shake my inmost calm
While to that rock I'm clinging;
Since Christ is Lord of Heav'n and earth,
How can I keep from singing?

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

CALL TO WORSHIP Andrew P. Wells

♠HYMN OF PRAISE: No. 604 "Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart" MARION

♠PSALTER READING: Psalm 100. Courtney T. Humphreys (8:15)
Candace C. Willis (11:00)

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!

**Serve the Lord with gladness!
Come into his presence with singing!**

Know that the Lord, he is God!
It is he who made us, and we are his;

we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise!

Give thanks to him; bless his name!

For the Lord is good;

**his steadfast love endures forever,
and his faithfulness to all generations.**

♠CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE. MARION

**We people of His choice,
Our grateful praises bring,
For all will make a joyful noise,
When they behold their King!
Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing.**

♠PRAYER OF ADORATION

Praying His Will

EPISTLE READING I John 5:14,15

And this is the confidence that we have toward him,
that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us.

**And if we know that he hears us in whatever we ask,
we know that we have the requests that we have asked of him.**

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Almighty God,
Who accepts our praises and hears our prayers,
We confess that we have at times given our praise to others
and have not always trusted You with our prayers.
Please forgive our rebellious and calloused hearts,
for we are truly sorry, and we earnestly repent.
Grant that we may ever sing Your praises
and that we may pray without ceasing
that You may be exalted in Your people and in all the earth,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

✦HYMN OF PRAYER: No. 528 "My Faith Looks Up to Thee"OLIVET

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS.....D. Todd Erickson

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" arr. Harold Best

What a friend we have in Jesus,
All our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry
Everything to God in prayer!
O what peace we often forfeit,
O what needless pain we bear,
All because we do not carry
Everything to God in prayer!

Have we trials and temptations?
Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged,
Take it to the Lord in prayer.
Can we find a friend so faithful?
Who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our every weakness,
Take it to the Lord in prayer.

Are we weak and heavy laden,
Cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior still our Refuge,
Take it to the Lord in prayer.
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee?
Take it to the Lord in prayer.
In His arms He'll take and shield thee,
Thou wilt find a solace there.

✦CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE HENDON

**Come, my soul, thy suit prepare:
Jesus loves to answer prayer;
He Himself has bid thee pray,
Therefore will not say thee nay;
Therefore will not say thee nay.**

**Thou art coming to a King,
Large petitions with thee bring;
For His grace and power are such,
None can ever ask too much;
None can ever ask too much.**

✦PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

✦GREETINGS

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN (8:15)..... W. Lee Taylor

PRAYER FOR SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH FELLOWS

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.**

Hearing His Word

GOSPEL READING.....Mark 9:14-29
(page 844 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 *Only Through Prayer* Sanders L. Willson

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

♣HYMN OF TRUST.....OLD HUNDREDTH

**To God my earnest voice I raise,
To God my voice imploring prays;
Before His face my grief I show
And tell my trouble and my woe.**

**Be Thou my help when troubles throng,
For I am weak and foes are strong;
My captive soul from prison bring,
And thankful praises I will sing.**

**Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

♣BENEDICTION

♣CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

ORGAN POSTLUDE: Variations on "God Be Merciful to Me" REDHEAD 76

♣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.

Sunday Night Worship - 6 p.m. in the Sanctuary

We gather each Sunday evening for an informal service of prayer, praise and teaching from God's Word. Our morning and evening services frame our weekly Lord's Day worship. We invite you to worship with us.