



ORDER FOR THE
PUBLIC WORSHIP *of* GOD

July 13, 2014
11:00 a.m.



THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

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

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

You are invited to pray the following prayer as you prepare for worship.

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of Your people who call upon You,
and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do,
and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. Amen.

ORGAN PRELUDE: "Crown Him with Many Crowns" Jonathan Reuss
"Lamento" from *Suite* Denis Bédard
Samuel Metzger, organ

CALL TO WORSHIP D. Todd Erickson

♠HYMN OF PRAISE: No. 94 "How Firm a Foundation" FOUNDATION
stanzas 1-4

♠READING FROM THE PROPHETS: Select verses from Isaiah 41 and 43. . Austin Freeman

Fear not, for I am with you;
be not dismayed, for I am your God;

**I will strengthen you, I will help you,
I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.**

For I, the Lord your God,
hold your right hand;
it is I who say to you, "Fear not,

**I am the one who helps you."
Fear not, you worm Jacob,
you men of Israel!**

I am the one who helps you, declares the Lord;
your Redeemer is the Holy One of Israel.

**Fear not, for I have redeemed you;
I have called you by name, you are mine.**

When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;
and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;

**when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,
and the flame shall not consume you.**

For I am the Lord your God,

the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.

♠CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE FOUNDATION

**The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to His foes;
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no never, no never forsake.**

♠PRAYER OF ADORATION

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

SOLO REFLECTION: "Know My Heart" Benjamin Harlan, arr. Ron Boud

*Lord, You have searched me, you know everything I do.
When I rise, when I lie down, You are with me.
Before I speak, You hear me, Your presence follows day by day.
O know my heart, O God.*

If I ascend into heaven,
You are there on the wings of the morning
Or in my deepest despair.
His hand shall lead me,
His right hand will guide me, tho' darkness should cover me,
Light shall surround me, and I will praise the Lord, I will praise the Lord,
I will praise Him with my whole heart!

Sophie Blatt, soloist

✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE FOUNDATION

**All laud we would render; O help us to see
'Tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee,
And so let Thy glory, Almighty, impart,
Through Christ in His story, Thy Christ to the heart.**

✦ PRAYER OF DEDICATION Gerry A. Peak

✦ GREETINGS

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

READING FROM THE EPISTLES Revelation 2:8-17
(page 1028 in church 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 *Faithfully Witnessing Despite Opposition* Dan G. Burns

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. An elder will serve gluten free communion bread to those who raise their hands.

✦ PROFESSION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed

**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 GREATOR EX

**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 of all truth,
we come confessing our tendency to embrace tolerance over truth,
the approval of others over Yours.
Have mercy upon us for our timidity in standing up for Your truth.
Forgive us for our lack of tact and graciousness in the fight for truth.
Pardon us for resisting Your refining fire
when we suffer for defending Your truth.
Empower us for greater faithfulness in communicating Your gospel truth.
For we make our prayer in the name of the One who is the truth,
Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.**

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

LITANY OF PRAISE

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

It is meet and right so to do.

It is very meet, right, and our joyful duty, that we should at all times and in all places, give thanks unto You, O Holy Lord, Father Almighty, Everlasting God. And we praise You for Jesus Christ our Lord, Who has come to bring us light and life;

**Therefore with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we laud and magnify Your glorious Name;
evermore praising You and saying:**

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might, heaven and
earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the high-est. Ho-
san-na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the
Lord. Ho - san - na in the high-est, Ho - san-na in the high-est.

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.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

INSTRUMENTAL MEDITATION: "Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross" Gilbert Martin

*Jesus keep me near the cross; there a precious fountain,
Free to all — a healing stream — flows from Calv'ry's mountain.
In the cross, in the cross, be my glory ever;
Till my raptured soul shall find rest beyond the river.*

SHARING OF THE CUP

MUSICAL MEDITATION: "O Divine Redeemer" Charles Gounod

Ah! Turn me not away, receive me, though unworthy!
Hear Thou my cry, behold, Lord, my distress!
Answer me from Thy throne, haste Thee, Lord, to mine aid,
Thy pity show in my deep anguish!
Let not the sword of vengeance smite me, though righteous Thine anger,
O Lord! Shield me in danger. O regard me! On Thee, Lord, alone will I call.

O Divine Redeemer! I pray Thee, grant me pardon,
And remember not, remember not my sins!
Forgive me, O Divine Redeemer!
Night gathers round my soul; fearful, I cry to Thee!
Come to my aid, O Lord!
Haste Thee, Lord, haste to help me!

Hear my cry! Save me, Lord, in Thy mercy;
Come and save me, O Lord.
Save, in the day of retribution;
From Death shield Thou me, O my God!
O Divine Redeemer, have mercy!
Help me, my Savior!

Sophie Blatt and Terri Theil, duet

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE LANCASHIRE

**Lead on, O king eternal: we follow, not with fears;
For gladness breaks like morning wheree'er Thy face appears;
Thy cross is lifted o'er us; we journey in its light:
The crown awaits the conquest; lead on, O God of might.**

✦ BENEDICTION

✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE ST. LEONARDS

**May the Word of God dwell richly in my heart from hour to hour,
So that all may see I triumph only through His pow'r.**

ORGAN POSTLUDE: "Carillon de Westminster" Louis Vierne

✦ *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.