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PUBLIC WORSHIP *of* GOD

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Trinity Season


Second
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Please prepare your heart for worship and silence your mobile devices.

Our Hymn of Preparation is “He Will Hold Me Fast” by Ada Henderson and Matt Merker. Though it was first penned and corporately sung in the early 1900s, Keith and Kristyn Getty have reintroduced this wonderful hymn of assurance to the Church.

The words reflect on the wonderful truth that God watches over and sustains the faith of His people. Scripture is clear about the saving and preserving grace of God:

*“We have this as a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul,
a hope that enters into the inner place behind the curtain” (Hebrews 6:19).*

*“Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you
blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy...” (Jude 24-25).*

*“And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you
will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ” (Philippians 1:6).*

With our weaknesses continually before us, it is easy to believe that one day they will nullify our faith. However, this hymn reminds us of the gospel promises God gives us in His Word: not only does God save us according to the riches of His grace, He also keeps us!

Let us, as those firmly in the grip of the Lord, praise Him together!

LIFT HIGH THE NAME OF THE LORD

ORGAN PRELUDE: “Andante larghetto et staccato” G. F. Handel; Dupré
Samuel Metzger, organ

INSTRUMENTAL MEDITATION: “Steal Away” Hal Hopson
Arron Powell, violin; Samuel Metzger, piano

CALL TO WORSHIP Brett Wynne

♠HYMN OF PRAISE: No. 521 “My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less” SOLID ROCK
Words: Edward Mote / Music: Dmitri Bortniansky; arr. Metzger / I Corinthians 3:11

♠INVOCATION (*Please lift hands*)

♠STATEMENT OF FAITH: Westminster Shorter Catechism Q. 15 Rusty Shappley (8:15)
Rong Guo Zhou (11:00)

By what sin did our first parents fall from their original condition?

Our first parents’ sin was eating the forbidden fruit.

This catechism will be the topic of the sermon this evening.

♠CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: “God, Be Merciful to Me” REDHEAD 76
Music: Richard Redhead / Psalm 51:1

**God, be merciful to me, on Thy grace I rest my plea;
Plenteous in compassion Thou, blot out my transgressions now;
Wash me, make me pure within, cleanse, O cleanse me from my sin.**

RECEIVE THE GRACE OF THE LORD

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Eternal and merciful God,
 You have loved us with a love beyond our understanding,
 and You have set us on paths of righteousness for Your name's sake.
 We confess we have strayed from Your way;
 we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed,
 through what we have done and what we have left undone.
 As we remember the lavish gift of Your grace
 manifested perfectly in the sacrifice of Your Son,
 we praise You and give You thanks that You forgive us yet again.
 Grant us now, we pray, the grace to die daily to sin
 and to rise daily to new life in Christ, who lives and reigns with You,
 and in whose strong name we pray.**

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON. Romans 6:23

*For the wages of sin is death,
 but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "Footsteps" Craig Courtney

Words: Jonathan Cook / Music: Craig Courtney / Psalm 23

I see His footsteps in the way and follow them through darkest night.
 Unafraid, I stumble not, in the glow of perfect light, I see.
 I walk in footsteps of His love and find His light, leads on before.
 Then He gently turns to me, softly whispers, "Trust Me more." I walk. I walk.
 Then as I follow in His way, my path ahead will brightly shine.
 For in His path of guiding light, I find His footsteps first, then mine.

*Ensemble
 Calvin Ellis, director*

✦DOXOLOGY. TALLIS' CANON

**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.**

✦PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING. Artez Henderson

✦GREETINGS

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN (8:15)

FOLLOW THE WORD OF THE LORD

✦ PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (*please stand*)

**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.**

HYMN OF PREPARATION: "He Will Hold Me Fast" HE WILL HOLD ME FAST

Words: Ada Habershon; Matt Merker / Music: Matt Merker / Psalm 139:10

Mary Grace Walters, soloist:

When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast;
When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast.
I could never keep my hold through life's fearful path;
For my love is often cold; He must hold me fast.
He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast;
For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast.

✦ *Congregation stands and sings:*

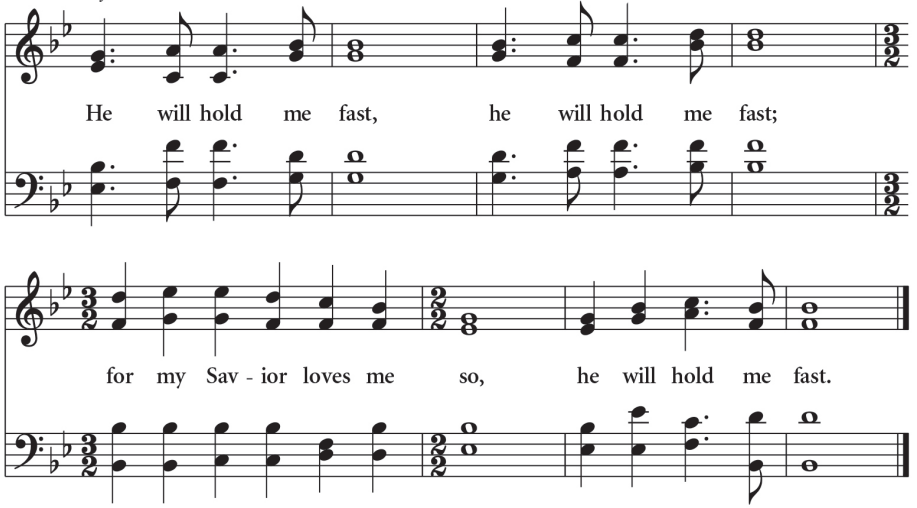
2. Those he saves are his de - light, Christ will hold me fast;
3. For my life he bled and died, Christ will hold me fast;

pre - cious in his ho - ly sight, he will hold me fast.
jus - tice has been sat - is - fied; he will hold me fast.

He'll not let my soul be lost; his prom - is - es shall last;
Raised with him to end - less life, he will hold me fast

bought by him at such a cost, he will hold me fast.
'til our faith is turned to sight, when he comes at last!

Refrain



He will hold me fast, he will hold me fast;
 for my Sav - ior loves me so, he will hold me fast.

SCRIPTURE LESSON..... Exodus 4:27-28
(page 47 in the pew Bible)

The grass withers, the flower fades,
but the Word of our God will stand forever. (*Isaiah 40:8*)

SERMON *The Mouth of God* George Robertson

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

♣HYMN OF COMMITMENT: No. 535 "O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus!" EBENEZER
Words: Samuel Francis / Music: Thomas Williams; arr. Rawsthorne / Ephesians 3:18-19

♣BENEDICTION (*please raise hands*)

♣CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

ORGAN POSTLUDE: "Carillon-Sortie" Henri Mulet

♣Indicates congregation standing CCLI License #252778

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I. The Word of Hope

II. The Word of Peace

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