

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Preparation for Worship

[Romans 6] is the splendid vision of the triumph of grace. Against the grim background of human guilt, Paul depicts grace increasing and grace reigning. John Stott

God's grace not only forgives sins, but also delivers us from sinning. For grace does more than justify: it also sanctifies. It unites us to Christ (vv.1-14) and it initiates us into a new slavery to righteousness (vv. 15-23). John Stott

Now reader... remember that Christ made not this atonement, that thou should anger God again; neither did he die for thy sins, that thou should live still in them; neither cleansed he thee, that thou should return (as a swine) unto thine old puddle again; but that thou should be a new creature and live a new life after the will of God and not of the flesh. William Tyndale (1526)

The believer is no longer under the servitude of sin but under the freedom of grace. William Still

Pastoral Welcome

The Rev. John R. McCracken

Prelude "O The Deep, Deep Love of Jesus" (with "Brian Boru's March") arr. Rich Heffler
Helen Primozic, bagpipe, Ginny Primozic, french horn, Thomas Primozik, drums

* Call to Worship

from Psalm 25

Mr. McCracken

Minister: To you, O LORD, we lift up our souls; in you we trust, O God. Remember not the sins of our youth and our rebellious ways. Remember, O LORD, your great mercies and love, for they are from of old.

People: (singing)

We look behind at all You've done.

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

We trace the path on which we've come.

Holy Father, You are mercy!

Lord, everywhere we see Your hand, the pattern of Your loving plan.

Holy Father, You are mercy! Holy Father, You are mercy!

You are mercy!

Minister: Good and upright is the LORD; therefore he instructs sinners in his ways. He guides the humble in what is right and teaches them his way. All the ways of the LORD are loving and faithful.

People: **Through all the wanderings of life,**

You daily lead us in the light.

Loving Father, You are faithful!

Through all the sin we cannot hide, you claim us as Your holy bride.

Loving Father, You are faithful! Loving Father, You are faithful!

You are faithful!

Minister: Our eyes are ever on the LORD. Guard our lives and rescue us. May integrity and uprightness protect us, because our hope is in you! Alleluia!

People: We look ahead, O Lord, and see
A glimpse of all that is to be.
We exalt You! Alleluia!
Almighty God, Eternal Truth, our life is always all for You!
We exalt You! Alleluia! We exalt You! Alleluia!
Alleluia!

*Hymn of Adoration, No. 420 "At the Lamb's High Feast" ST GEORGE'S WINDSOR

*Prayer of Adoration The Rev. Michael Wichlan

*Affirmation of Faith Heidelberg Catechism, Question I Mr. McCracken

Q. What is your only comfort in life and death?

A. That I am not my own, but belong with body and soul, both in life and in death, to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with His precious blood, and has set me free from all the power of the devil. He also preserves me in such a way that without the will of my heavenly Father not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, all things must work together for my salvation. Therefore, by His Holy Spirit, He also assures me of eternal life and makes me heartily willing and ready from now on to live for Him.

*Song of Praise "Knowing You" Graham Kendrick

Refrain

Know - ing You, Je - sus, know - ing You, there is no great - ter thing. You're my
all, you're my rest, You're my joy, my right - eous - ness, and I love You, Lord. _____
— 1. All I once held dear, built my life up - on, all this
2. Now my heart's de - sire is to know You more, to be
3. Oh, to know the pow'r of your ris - en life, and to
world re - veres and wars to own, All I once thought gain I have
found in You and known as Yours, To pos - sess by faith what I
know You in Your suf - fer - ings. To be - come like You in Your
count - ed loss, spent and worth - less now com - pared to this:
could not earn, all sur - pass - ing gift of right - eous - ness. Know - ing
death, my Lord, so with You to live and nev - er die.

Public Confession of Sin

Jeremiah 2:1, 6 & 13 Mr. Peter Shotwell, *Ruling Elder*

The word of the Lord came to me: "I remember the devotion of your youth, how as a bride you loved me and followed me through the desert, through a land not sown." [Your fathers] did not ask, "Where is the Lord, who brought us up out of Egypt and led us through the barren wilderness through a land of deserts and rifts, a land of drought and darkness." I brought you into a fertile land to eat its fruit and rich produce. But you came and defiled my land and made my inheritance detestable. "My people have committed two sins: They have forsaken me, the spring of living water, and have dug their own cisterns, broken cisterns that cannot hold water."

Silent Confession

Declaration of Forgiveness

Elder: *Hear what sweet words of comfort the Lord gives to all those who truly repent of their sins and trust in Christ:*

"Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks the water I give him will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." *John 4:13*

My friends, I declare to you in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

People: Thanks be to God!

Prayers for Christ's Church and the World

Mr. Shotwell

The Collection of Tithes and Offerings

The Musical Offering

All My Days (Beautiful Savior)
Dave Leeman

Stuart Townend

All my days I will sing this song of gladness, give my praise to the fountain of delights; for in my helplessness you heard my cry, and waves of mercy poured down on my life. I will trust in the cross of my Redeemer, I will sing of the blood that never fails, of sins forgiven, of conscience cleansed, of death defeated and life without end! Beautiful Savior, wonderful counselor, clothed in majesty, Lord of history, you're the way, the truth the life. Star of the morning, glorious in holiness, you're the Risen One, heaven's Champion, and you reign, you reign over all! I long to be where the praise is never-ending, yearn to dwell where the glory never fades; where countless worshippers will share one song, and cries of "worthy" will honor the Lamb! Beautiful Savior, wonderful counselor, clothed in majesty, Lord of history, you're the way, the truth the life. Star of the morning, glorious in holiness, you're the Risen One, heaven's Champion, and you reign, you reign over all!

***The Offering Consecration**

Mr. McCracken

***The Doxology**

OLD HUNDREDTH

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.

***The Passing of the Peace**

Mr. Wichlan

Minister: The peace of Christ be with you.
People: And also with you.

***Service of Friendship**

Children between the ages of 4 through 1st grade may now be dismissed for Celebration Chapel, Room 101. At this time, please locate the black Friendship pad at the left end of your row, fill it out and pass it back to the beginning of the row.

***The Prayer for Illumination**

Mr. McCracken

***Scripture Reading**

Romans 6:15-23
ESV Pew Bible, page 943

The Morning Sermon

"Becoming What You Already Are"

Song of Response, No. 642

"Be Thou My Vision"
Stanzas 1-2

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Celebration of Holy Communion

Communion is an occasion for all baptized Christians to meet with their Savior by faith, to be strengthened and renewed by him, and celebrate him. All who trust alone in Christ as Savior and Lord, belong to a church that embraces the Gospel, are at peace with their neighbor, and seek strength to live more faithfully, are welcome to partake. If you are not a Christian, or if you choose not to share in this meal, we invite you to spend this time in prayer.

A Word to Parents: To receive communion, a child must have been baptized and been formally received as a communing member by the Session of this church or the governing body of the church to which you belong. If your children will not be receiving communion, please use this afternoon to instruct them about the meaning of our sin and Christ's grace at the Cross.

***The Great Thanksgiving**

Mr. Wichlan

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

We praise you that in the fullness of time, you revealed your love by sending your Son, Jesus, to be the Light of the world. Therefore we adore you, joining our voices with angels and archangels and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name,

Ho - ly, ho - ly ho - ly; Lord God of hosts! Heaven and earth are
full of thee! Heaven and earth are prais - ing thee, O Lord most high!

Thanksgiving Prayer and Words of Institution

(Followed by proclaiming boldly)

Minister: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.

People: **Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

Minister: Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us.

People: **Therefore, let us keep the feast.**

Minister: The gifts of God for the people of God.

*We serve wine during communion.
If you prefer grape juice, please take a purple cup at the center of the tray*

As the bread and cup are served, please be in prayerful meditation

Parting Hymn, No. 642

"Be Thou My Vision
Stanzas 4-5

SLANE

***Charge and Benediction**

Mr. McCracken

Minister: Devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture, to preaching and to teaching. Do not neglect your gift...be diligent in these matters; give yourself wholly to them, so that everyone may see your progress. Watch your life and doctrine closely. *I Timothy 4:13-16*

People: **With God's help, we will.**

Minister: Keep these commandments until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, which God will bring about in his own time—God, the blessed and only Ruler, the King of kings and Lord of lords, who alone is immortal and who lives in unapproachable light, whom no one has seen or can see. To him be honor and might forever. Amen. *I Timothy 4:14-16*

People: **Thanks be to God! Amen!**