

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

January 31, 2010 ❖ 10:30 AM

Preparation for Worship

"For several decades, we psychologists have looked on the idea of sin and moral accountability as a great incubus and declared our liberation from it as epic-making. But at length we discovered that to be free in this sense, to have the excuse of being sick rather than sinful, is to also court the danger of becoming lost. For in becoming amoral, ethically neutral, and free, we have cut off the very roots of our being, lost our deepest sense of selfhood and identity, and with neurotics we find ourselves asking, 'Who am I?' 'What is my deepest destiny?' 'What does living mean?'"

Hobart Mowrer, Professor of Psychology at Harvard
and former President of the American Psychological Association

Pastoral Welcome

The Rev. John R. McCracken

Prelude

"The God of Abraham Praise"
Norman Weiss, violin; Dave Leeman, piano

arr. Crista Phelps

Gathering Song

"Spirit, Now Live in Me"

Bryan Jeffery Leech

*O holy Dove of God descending, you are the love that knows no ending,
All of our shattered dreams you're mending: **Spirit now live in me.***

*O holy Wind of God now blowing, you are the seed that God is sowing,
You are the life that starts us growing: **Spirit, now live in me.***

*O holy Rain of God now falling, you make the Word of God enthralling,
You are the inner voice now calling: **Spirit, now live in me.***

*O holy Flame of God now burning, you are the power of Christ returning,
You are the answer to our yearning: **Spirit now live in me, Spirit now live in me!***

*Call to Worship

based on Exodus 20:1-2

The Rev. Michael Wichlan

Minister: When Moses gathered the people of Israel, God said,

People: **"I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt,
out of the house of slavery."**

Minister: As we gather here today, let us worship the Lord, who continues to be our
God and who still brings us out of the places of bondage.

*Hymn of Adoration, No. 34 "The God of Abraham Praise"

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Stanzas 1-3, 5-6

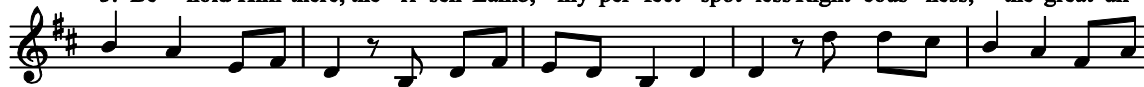
*Prayer of Adoration

Mr. Wichlan

*Hymn of Praise "Before the Throne of God Above"



1. Be - fore the throne of God a - bove I have a strong, a per - fect plea, a great High
2. When Sa - tan tempts me to des - pair, and tells me of the guilt with - in, up - ward I
3. Be - hold Him there, the ri - sen Lamb, my per - fect spot - less Right - eous - ness, the great un -



Priest whose name is Love who ev - er lives and pleads for me. My name is gra - ven on His
look and see Him there who made an end to all my sin. Be - cause the sin - less Sav - ior
change - a - ble I Am, the King of glo - ry and of Grace. One with Him - self, I can - not



hands. My name is writ - ten on His heart. I know that while in heav'n He
died, my sin - ful soul is count - ed free. For God the Just is sat - is -
die. My soul is pur - chased with His blood. My life is hid with Christ on



stands no tongue can bid me thence de - part; no tongue can bid me thence de - part.
fied to look on Him and par - don me, to look on Him and par - don me.
high, with Christ my Sav - ior and my God, with Christ my Sav - ior and my God.

Affirmation of Faith

Belgic Confession (1561)

Mr. McCracken

We believe that our salvation consists in the remission of our sins for Jesus Christ's sake, and the happiness of man is that God imputes righteousness to him without works. And therefore we always hold fast this foundation, ascribing all the glory to God, humbling ourselves before Him, and acknowledging ourselves to be such as we really are, without presuming to trust in anything in ourselves, or in any merit of ours, relying and resting upon the obedience of Christ crucified alone, which becomes ours when we believe in him. This is sufficient to cover all our iniquities, and to give us confidence in approaching God, freeing the conscience of fear, terror, and dread.

Public Confession of Sin

Mr. Joe Gage, Ruling Elder

Leader: Most merciful Father, we have sinned against and are guilty before you. Forgive us the sins of our tongues—

All: For deception and untruthfulness in our dealings with others; for resentment, coldness, impatience, and tempers out of control.

Leader: Forgive us for the sins of our eyes—

All: For impurity in our glances and imagination; for pining after more beauty, comfort, status, and wealth than you have given us.

Leader: *Forgive us the sins of our hearts—*

All: For hard-heartedness toward you and our neighbors; for pride, self-absorption, self-pity; and above all for rebelling against your Lordship and doubting your love. Now, Holy Father, kill our envy, remove our pride, melt our hearts. Give us grace to be holy, kind, gentle, pure, to live for you and not for ourselves, to be transformed into your likeness, to live wholly for your glory. Take away our mourning and give us music; remove our sackcloth and give us your beauty. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Silent Confession

Declaration of Forgiveness

Ezekiel 36:25-27

Elder: *Hear these assuring and life-giving words of God!*

I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you will be clean; I will cleanse you from all your impurities and from all your idols. I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you; I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit in you and move you to follow my decrees and be careful to keep my laws.

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

People: Thanks be to God

Hymn of Thanksgiving

"God Brings Us Comfort"

Christopher Idle



1. God brings us com-fort where his an - ger burned, so judge - ment and fear to peace and
2. Wells of sal - va - tion streams of life will bring; with joy we shall draw from this re -
3. Love lives a - mong us, Is - rael's ho - ly One who comes to the res - cue see what



trust are turned. Praise God to - day: his mer - cies ne - ver end; our
fresh - ing spring. Praise God to - day: his bless - ings ne - ver end; our
God has done! Praise God to - day: his won - ders ne - ver end; our



judge be - comes in Christ our great - est friend, our judge be - comes our great - est friend.

Prayers for Christ's Church and the World

Mr. Gage

The Collection of Tithes and Offerings

The Musical Offering

“Trust and Obey”
Trinity Choir

arr. Edwin Childs

When we walk with the Lord in the light of His Word, what a glory He sheds on our way! While we do his good will, he abides with us still, and with all who will trust and obey. Trust and obey, for there’s no other way to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey. Not a shadow can rise, not a cloud in the skies, but his smile quickly drives it away; not a doubt nor a fear not a sigh nor a tear can abide while we trust and obey. Trust and obey, for there’s no other way to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey. But we never can prove the delights of His love until all on the altar we lay; for the favor He shows and the joy He bestows are for them who will trust and obey. Trust and obey, for there’s no other way to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey. Then in fellowship sweet we will sit at His feet, or we’ll walk by His side in the way; what He says we will do, where He sends we will go; never fear, only trust and obey. Trust and obey, for there’s no other way to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.

The Offering Consecration

Mr. Poteet

***The Doxology**

THE NEW DOXOLOGY

**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.**

***The Passing of the Peace**

Mr. Poteet

**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.

Extending the Gospel Moment Ken and Beth Godi, *short term missions to Columbia and Haiti*

***The Prayer for Illumination**

Mr. McCracken

***Scripture Reading**

Romans 8:1-17
ESV Pew Bible, page 944

The Morning Sermon

“God’s Spirit in God’s Children”

***Hymn of Response, No. 334 “Breathe on Me, Breath of God”**

***Charge and Benediction**

Mr. McCracken

Minister: So I say, live by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the sinful nature. Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the sinful nature with its passions and desires. Since we live by the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.

Galatians 5:16, 24-25

People: With God's help, we will.

Minister: Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, who gave himself for our sins to rescue us from the present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Galatians 1:3-5

People: Thanks be to God! Amen!

***Choral Amen**

Peter Lutkin

***Postlude**

Douglass McFarland, organist

**indicates to please stand, if able.*