

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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A Word to Worshippers

The conflict between our flesh and our spirit is perhaps nowhere more apparent than in our willingness to be generous with our money. And so we marvel when it is said of a church, "*there were no needy persons among them.*" When a poor widow gave two very small copper coins as offerings, Jesus commented, "*this poor widow has put in more than all the others.*" Because Jesus meant that she had given more of her total wealth than anyone, we understand that sacrifice is not measured in amounts. How do you respond to these standards? Are they realistic or impossible? Can you even imagine such a level of giving? Today we will focus on the source of all Christian behavior that provides the power to live extraordinary lives of faith and obedience. Listen and respond as this gift of God in our midst, the Holy Spirit, "guides us into all truth" through today's worship and study. (John 16:13)

Meditations for Worship

*Wind who makes all winds that blow--gusts that bend the saplings low,
gales that heave the sea in waves, stirrings in the mind's deep caves,
--aim your breath with steady power on your church this day, this hour.*

Raise, renew the life we've lost, Spirit God of Pentecost.

Holy Spirit, Wind and Flame, move within our mortal frame.

Make our hearts an altar pyre, kindle them with your own fire.

*Breathe and blow upon that blaze till our lives, our deeds and ways,
speak that tongue which every land by your grace shall understand.*

Thomas Troeger

*Christ is the door that opens into God's presence, faith is the key that unlocks the door; but the Spirit
is He that makes the key.*

William Gurnall

*What a sad difference is there in the same person, as to what he is when the Spirit **leads** him and as
to what he is when the Spirit **leaves** him!*

Thomas Jacombe

Prelude

"Be Thou My Vision"

arr. Paul Jones

Dan McCartney, French horn

Pastoral Welcome

The Rev. John R. McCracken

*Call to Worship

from Romans 8

Minister: Those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. You, however, are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if in fact the Spirit of God dwells in you.

People: For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear; but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, "Abba! Father!" The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God.

*Hymn of Adoration, No. 101

"Come, Thou Almighty King"

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*Prayer of Adoration

The Rev. Patrick Potteet

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.

*Hymn of Praise

"The Compassion Hymn"

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1. There is an ev - er - last - ing kind - ness you lav - ished on us, when the ra - dian - ce of pass - ion for the hurt - ing_ you reached out your hand as the lame ran to neath the cross of Cal - v'ry_ and gazed on your face at the thorns of op - ful the feet that car - ry_ this Gos - pel of peace to the fields of in -



hea - ven came to res - cue the lost. You called the sheep with - out a shep - herd to meet you and the dead breathed a - gain. You saw be - hind the eyes of sor - row_ and press - ion and the wounds of dis - grace; for sure - ly you have borne our suff 'ring_ and just - ice and the val - leys of need. To be a voice of hope and heal - ing_ to



leave their dis - tress for your streams of for - give - ness and the shade of your rest. shared in our tears; heard the sigh of the wear - y, let the child - ren draw car - ried our grief, as you par - doned the scoff - er and showed grace to the ans - wer the cries of the hun - gry and help - less with the mer - cy of



2. And with com - near. thief. What bound - less love, what fath - om - less grace you have Christ.



shown us, O God of com - pass - ion. Each day we live, an off - ering of praise, as we



show to the world your com - pass - ion.

3. We stood be -
4. How beau - ti

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*Affirmation of Faith

Heidelberg Catechism, No. 53

The Rev. Michael Wichlan

Q. What do you believe concerning the Holy Spirit?

A. We believe first that He is true and coeternal God with the Father and the Son; secondly, that He is also given me, to make me by a true faith, partaker of Christ and all His benefits, that He may comfort me and abide with me forever.

*Hymn of Affirmation, No. 332

"Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove"

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Prayers for Christ's Church and the World

Mr. Gary Brantz, *Ruling Elder*

The Collection of Tithes and Offerings

The Musical Offering

"His Will, Our Own"

Kurt Kaiser

Dave Leeman, solo; Douglass McFarland, piano

When the Holy Spirit comes to settle on His people; a holy hush comes over us and we behold in awe. When the Holy Spirit comes, He's like a gentle zephyr; a holy hush comes over us and we behold in awe. Sometimes the Holy Spirit speaks with power like the thunder. He shatters us to show us that He is Lord of all. Oft times the Holy Spirit will descend upon us like a dove, and with tenderness never known before, He makes His will our own.

The Offering Consecration

Mr. Poteet

*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. Amen.**

The Passing of the Peace

Minister: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

*Service of Friendship

Mr. Wichlan

Children between the ages of 4 through 1st grade may now be dismissed for Celebration Chapel, Room 101.

Please locate the black friendship pad at the left end of your row, fill it out and pass it down. When it arrives at the other end of the row, pass it back, taking note of those who are seated in your row.

*The Prayer for Illumination

Mr. McCracken

***Scripture Reading**

Acts 4:29-37
ESV Pew Bible, pg. 912

The Morning Sermon

"Possessions and Power"
Seventh sermon in the series, "Heart, Soul, and Money"

Song of Response

"Spirit of the Living God"

IVERSON

**Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me,
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me,
Melt me, mold me, use fill me, use me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.**

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.*

Invitation to the Table

Mr. McCracken

***Communion Hymn, No. 656**

"Jesus, Priceless Treasure"
Stanzas 1 & 2

JESU, MEINE FREUDE

Public Confession of Sin

Galatians 5:16-19

Mr. Brantz

Walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. For the desires of the flesh are against the Spirit, and the desires of the Spirit are against the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to keep you from doing the things you want to do. Now the works of the flesh are evident: sexual immorality, impurity, sensuality, idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions, envy, drunkenness, orgies, and things like these. I warn you that those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

Private Confession

Declaration of Pardon

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

There is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free from the law of sin and death. And if the Spirit of God who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, God will also give life to our mortal bodies through the Spirit, who dwells in you.

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

People: Thanks be to God!

Thanksgiving Prayer and Words of Institution

Mr. McCracken

(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.

Upon direction, please join in singing:

The Bread

Satan, I defy thee; death, I now decry thee; fear, I bid thee cease.

World, you shall not harm me nor your threats alarm me while I sing of peace.

God's great pow'r guards ev'ry hour; earth and all its depths adore him.

Silent bow before him.

The Cup

Hence with earthly treasure! Thou art all my pleasure, Jesus, all my choice.

Hence, thou empty glory! Naught to me your story, told with tempting voice.

Pain or loss or shame or cross shall not from my Savior move me,

Since he deigns to love me.

Song of Departure

Hence, all fear and sadness! For the Lord of gladness, Jesus, enters in.

Those who love the Father, though the storms may gather, still have peace within.

Yea, whate'er I here must bear, thou art still my purest pleasure.

Jesus, priceless treasure.

***The Charge and Benediction**

Mr. McCracken

Minister: Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you. Ephesians 4:30

People: With God's help we will.

Minister: May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the holy Spirit you may abound in hope. Romans 15:13

People: Thanks be to God! Amen!

***Postlude**

Douglass McFarland, organist

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