

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

February 13, 2011 ❖ 10:30 AM

A Word to Worshippers

Richey and Keli Goodrich have been members of Trinity for years, during which time, Richey completed seminary. Six months ago, Richey was ordained and sent to the mission field in southeast Asia. We are pleased to welcome them back home this morning and to hear God's Word preached from Richey.

As soon as music begins, please take that as a gentle signal that it is time to immediately cease talking and move quietly to your seat. That will enable you and others who came early and have already been in a spirit of meditation, to pray and prepare for the high and holy privilege of meeting with God. Thank you.

Preparation for Worship

Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.

Hebrews 10:19-22

As obedient children, do not be conformed to the passions of your former ignorance, but as he who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, since it is written, "You shall be holy, for I am holy." And if you call on him as Father who judges impartially according to each one's deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile.

1 Peter 1:14-17

Where now are the gods of Assyria, Babylon, Persia, Greece or Rome? History is the graveyard of the gods...The worship of false gods is the fellowship of futility, the grand delusion whose only destiny is disappointment.

Christopher Wright

And they sing the song of Moses, the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying, "Great and amazing are your deeds, O Lord God the Almighty! Just and true are your ways, O King of the nations! Who will not fear, O Lord, and glorify your name? For you alone are holy. All nations will come and worship you, for your righteous acts have been revealed."

Revelation 15:3-4

Prelude

PSALM 29, "Now Unto Jehovah"

adapted by Gregory Wilbur

Now un-to Je-ho-vah, you sons of the might - y, All glo-ry and strength and do-
 min-ion ac - cord; As - scribe to Him glo - ry, and ren-der Him hon-or, In_ beau-ty of
 ho - li-ness, wor-ship the Lord._____ 1. The voice of Je - ho - vah comes down on the
 2. The voice of Je - ho - vah is might - y, is
 3. Each one in His tem - ple His glo - ry pro-
 wa - ters; in thun-der the God_ of the glo - ry draws nigh; Lo, o - ver the waves_
 might-y The voice of Je - ho - vah in ma-jest - y speaks; The voice of Je - ho -
 claim-eth. He sat on the flood;_ He is King on the throne. Je - ho-vah all strength
 _____ of the wide-flow-ing wa - ters, Je - ho-vah as King_ is en-thron-ed on high!_____
 vah the ce - dars is breaking; Je - ho-vah the ce - dars of Leb - a - non breaks._____
 _____ to His peo - ple im - part-eth, Je - ho-vah with peace_ ev - er bless-eth His own._____

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Pastoral Welcome

The Rev. John R. McCracken

***Call to Worship**

from Psalm 99

Mr. McCracken

Minister: The LORD reigns, let the nations tremble; he sits enthroned between the cherubim, let the earth shake!

People Great is the LORD in Zion; he is exalted over all the nations. Let them praise your great and awesome name—He is holy.

Minister: Exalt the LORD our God and worship at his footstool; He is holy.

People: Exalt the LORD our God and worship at his holy mountain, for the LORD our God is holy.

*Songs and Hymns of Adoration

"Santo, Santo, Santo"

Latin American

Eric Baesel, solo

San - to, san - to, san - to, mi co - ra - zon te a - do - ra. Mi
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - dores you. My
co - ra - zon te sa - be de - cir: san - to e - res Señ - or.
heart is glad to say the words: you are Ho - ly Lord.

No. 100

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

NICAEA

No. 103 "Holy God, We Praise Your Name"

GROSSER GOTT

Trinity Choir, directed by Dave Leeman

arr. John Ferguson

Te Deum laudamus: te Dominum confitemur. (O God we praise you. We acknowledge you to be the Lord.) Holy God, we praise your name. Lord of all, we bow before you. Infinite your vast domain, everlasting is your reign. Hark! The glad celestial hymn angel choirs above are raising; Cherubim and Seraphim in unceasing chorus praising; Fill the heavens with sweet accord, "Holy, holy, holy Lord!" Lo! The apostolic train join, your sacred name to hallow. Prophets swell the glad refrain, and the white-robed martyrs follow; and from morn to set of sun, through the church the song goes on.

Congregation will join on Verse 4

4. Ho - ly Fa - ther, Ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spir - it, Three we name you;
Though in es - sence on - ly One, un - di - vid - ed God we claim you;
and, a - dor - ing bend the knee while we sing the mys - ter - y.

(Choir)through the church the song goes on."

*Prayer of Adoration

Mr. Goodrich

Q. What is God?

A. **God is a Spirit, infinite, eternal, and unchangeable, in his being, wisdom, power, holiness, justice, goodness, and truth.**

Q. Are there more Gods than one?

A. **There is but one only, the living and true God.**

Q. How many persons are there in the Godhead?

A. **There are three persons in the Godhead: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost; and these three are one God, the same in substance, equal in power and glory.**

Public Confession of Sin

Mr. John Kreiger, *Ruling Elder*

O Lord, great God, all holy, Father most gracious, filled with mercy and steadfast love, we are embarrassed to come before you, for we have preferred the ways of this world to your ways, for we have rebelled against your wisdom, for we have rejected your fatherly guidance and have gotten lost altogether. To you belongs righteousness, O Lord, and to us confusion. O Lord, great God, all holy, filled with awe, Father most gracious incline your ear to our troubles. Hear us when we pour out our sorrows before you. Forgive us, not on the ground of our own righteousness, but on the ground of your great mercy in the gift of your Son, Jesus Christ. It is in his name that we pray, for he is our Savior and the mediator of the covenant of grace. Amen.

Silent Confession

Declaration of Forgiveness

Elder: *Hear the clarifying and comforting words of God!*

If the sprinkling of defiled persons with the blood of goats and bulls and with the ashes of a heifer sanctifies for the purification of the flesh, how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to serve the living God.

Hebrews 9:13-14

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

People: Thanks be to God

Song of Assurance, No. 500

"Rock of Ages"

NEW CITY FELLOWSHIP

Prayers for Christ's Church and the World

Mr. Krieger

The Collection of Tithes and Offerings

The Musical Offering

"Oh Come, with Body and Mind"

Michael Bedford

"The Joyful Noises," Bob Gehman Director, Tina Thiel, flute; Karin Elliott, piano

Oh, come, with body and mind, Oh, come, with spirit and voice. Bring the whole person, come, let's sing and rejoice! (repeat) Come, let us sing to the Lord our God. Come, let us worship and pray. Come, let us dance to the Lord our God. Let us give thanks on this day. (to beginning) Come, give yourself to the Lord our God. Come with your anthems of praise. Come, give your best to the Lord our God. Let us serve God all our days. Body and mind, spirit and voice, it takes the whole person to sing and rejoice!

The Offering Consecration

The Rev. Michael Wichlan

**Gloria Patri*

**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.**

Sacrament of Baptism

Elisha Allen Post

Mr. Poteet

Covenant Children of Ethan and Alison Post

**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 in Room 130.
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. Goodrich

*Scripture Reading

I Samuel 6

ESV Pew Bible, page 229

The Morning Sermon "How Do You Respond Rightly to a Holy God?"

*Hymn of Response,

"A Debtor to Mercy Alone"

Augusta Toplady

A debt - or to mer - cy a - lone, of cov - e - nant mer - cy I
 The work which your good - ness be - gan, the arm of your strength will com -
 My name from the palms of your hands e - ter - ni - ty will not e -
 sing. I come with your right - eous - ness on, my hum - ble of - f'ring to bring
 plete. Your prom - ise is yes, and a - men, and ne'er was for - feit - ed yet.
 rase. Im - pressed on your heart it re - mains, in marks of in - del - i - ble grace.
 — The judg - ments of your ho - ly law with me can have noth - ing to do. My
 — The fu - ture or things that are now, no pow - er be - low or a - bove, can
 — Yes, I to the end will en - dure, un - til I bow down at your throne, for -
 Sav - ior's o - be - dience and blood hide all my trans - gres - sions.
 make you your pur - pose fore - go, or sev - er my soul from
 ev - er and al - ways se - cure, a debt - or to mer - cy
 from view.
 your love. (last time only) for - ev - er and al - ways se - cure, a debt - or to
 a - lone.
 mer - cy a - lone mer - cy a - lone.

***The Charge and Benediction**

Mr. McCracken

Minister: As obedient children, do not be conformed to the passions of your former ignorance, but as He who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, since it is written, "You shall be holy, for I am holy."
I Peter 1:14-16

People: With God's help we will.

Minister: Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful, he will surely do it.
I Thess. 5:23-24

People: Thanks be to God! Amen.

***Postlude**

Douglass McFarland, organist

**indicates to please stand, if able.*

The flowers in this morning's service are donated in memory of Martha Combs.

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SERMON OUTLINE:

The Reverend Richey Goodrich

"How Do You Respond Rightly to a Holy God?" I Samuel 6

I. The Philistines' Response to the Holy God (6:1-12)

II. The Israelites' Response to the Holy God (6:13-21)

III . My Response to the Holy God

Questions for personal reflection---group or family discussion:

- 1) In what ways does your response to God's holiness sometimes mirror the wrong response of both the Philistines and Israelites in 1 Samuel 6?
- 2) Do you treat God as weighty in your public worship at Trinity (or your home church)? Give specific examples of ways that you do and ways that you don't.
- 3) In what areas of fulfilling your calling as a spouse/parent/child, do you fail to treat God as weighty?
- 4) How would the way you do your work/studies look different if you lived more consciously aware of God's weightiness?
- 5) What are some subtle ways that we can abuse the grace of God and fail to treat God as holy in our personal morality?
- 6) What non-believer in your work, school, neighborhood or family needs to know that Jesus alone is Lord and Savior? How can you begin to work towards having an opportunity to share the gospel with him/her?
- 7) How would God have you give more, pray more or encourage more in God's great mission of extending the knowledge of his saving holiness to all peoples?