

# ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

## TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

March 13, 2011 ❖ 10:30 AM

### Thoughts for Worship Preparation

*For your Maker is your husband, the Lord of hosts is his name; and the Holy One of Israel is your Redeemer, the God of the whole earth he is called. Isaiah 54.5*

*The Gospel is not “He loves me, he loves me not,” depending on our own loveliness. The grace of God is a “covenant of peace,” a permanent arrangement bringing us a wholeness we don’t deserve. Therefore, we can enjoy God’s grace without fearing that he will retract it. We didn’t cause his grace to begin with so we can’t reverse it now.*

*Ray Ortland, Jr.*

### A Word About the Opening Psalm

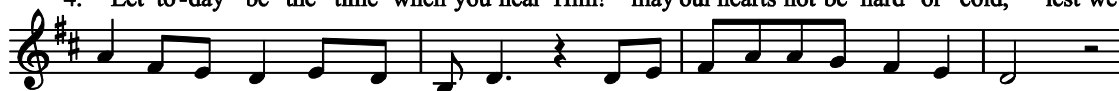
*Psalm 95, our Psalm-song for March, is one of a series of psalms that the Israelites sang together as they went up to the temple in Jerusalem to worship. (Psalm 93-100) Each of these is a demonstration and exhortation on what worship is and how it is to be done. The first appeal in Psalm 95 is for joyful, exuberant singing. Because we sing together it might be possible for some to think, “I’ll let the others sing. I don’t like to sing, or I’m not very good at it.” But that is forgetting that God is your audience and not the others in this room. So your heart-felt participation may be a measure of your joy and thanksgiving in God. He delights in your God-glorifying enthusiastic song—not the beauty of your voice! His concern is our heart, not the art. The second appeal is to bow down in humility. When we consider this Creator God, like Isaiah’s encounter it sends us to our knees. In more modern language Isaiah’s song was, “Amazing grace...that saved a wretch like me.” So we come to worship, with our heads held high in praise, but our hearts bowed down in repentance and humility.*

PSALM 95, "Let Us Sing to the God of Salvation"

*adpt. Richard Bewes*



1. Let us sing to the God of sal - va - tion, let us sing to the Lord our rock; let us  
 2. In His hand are the earth's deep - est pla - ces, and the strength of the hills are His; all the  
 3. Let us wor-ship the Lord our ma - ker, let us kneel to the Lord our God; for we  
 4. Let to-day be the time when you hear Him! may our hearts not be hard or cold, lest we



come to His house with thanks - giv - ing, let us come be-fore the Lord and sing!  
 sea is the Lord's for He made it, by His hand the sol - id rock was formed.  
 all are the sheep of His pas - ture, He will guide us by his power - ful hand.  
 stray from the Lord in re - bel - lion as His peo - ple did in time of old.



Praise our ma - ker, praise our Sav - ior, praise the Lord our ev - er - last - ing King!



Ev - ery throne must bow be-fore him, God is Lord of ev - ery - thing!

Pastoral Welcome

The Rev. John R. McCracken

\*Call to Worship

Isaiah 62: 3-5, Revelation 19:7, 22:1

Minister: You will be a crown of splendor in the LORD's hand, a royal diadem in the hand of your God, for the Lord will take delight in you, and your land will be married.

People As a bridegroom rejoices over his bride, so will your God rejoice over you.

Minister: Let us rejoice and be glad and give him glory! For the wedding of the Lamb has come, and his bride has made herself ready.

People: The Spirit and the bride say, "Come!" And let him who hears say, "Come!" Whoever is thirsty, let him come; and whoever wishes, let him take the free gift of the water of life.

\*Hymn of Adoration, No. 347 "The Church's One Foundation"

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\*Prayer of Adoration

The Rev. Patrick Poteet

\*Hymn of Praise, No. 355 "We Are God's People"

SYMPHONY

*Vs. 1 & 2*

**Public Confession of Sin**

Mr. Chuck Rehlin, *Ruling Elder*

Hear the word of the LORD, you Israelites, because the LORD has a charge to bring against you. There is no faithfulness, no love, no acknowledgment of God in the land. There is only cursing, lying and murder, stealing and adultery; they break all bounds. Because of this the land mourns and all who live in it waste away. They offer sacrifices to me but the LORD is not pleased with them. Israel has forgotten her Maker and built palaces. Do not rejoice, O Israel; do not be jubilant for you have been unfaithful to your God.

*from Hosea 6 & 8*

**Silent Confession**

**Declaration of Pardon**

Elder: *Hear the amazing words of forgiveness and promised restoration from God to His people.*

“Therefore I am going to allure you and speak tenderly to you. I will betroth you to me forever; I will betroth you in righteousness and justice, in love and compassion. I will betroth you in faithfulness, and you will acknowledge the LORD. ”

*Hosea 2:14, 19-20*

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

**People: Thanks be to God**

**Hymn of Response, No 355**

**“We Are God’s People”**

*Stanzas 3 & 4*

**Prayers for Christ’s Church and the World**

Mr. Rehlin

**The Collection of Tithes and Offerings**

**The Musical Offering**

**“Sing a Festive Song”**

*Larry E. Schultz*

*Trinity Choir, directed by Dave Leeman based on Psalm 19, 24, & 148*

*Sing a festive song! O come and lift up your spirits high! Raise your voices strong, with sun and moon and the starry sky! With atmosphere and air, with thundercloud and rain, with nature everywhere come sing the loud refrain! The heavens are not too high, the earth is not too low, our praise there may fly and here may grow! The heavens are telling the glory of God, the stars shimmer far above, soaring birds up high in the bright blue sky all sing a song of love. Let us add our own voice; with creation now rejoice! Sing a festive song! O come and lift up your spirits high! Raise your voices strong with crashing wave and the ocean tide! With surf and salty air, with wind upon the land, with nature everywhere come sing the chorus grand! The heavens are not too high, the earth is not too low, our praises there may fly, and here may grow! The earth is God’s and the fullness thereof, the valleys and hills and plains, fertile forest trees, silver sands and seas, and all the world contains; freely given to all, canyons deep and mountains tall! Sing a festive song with sun and moon and the wind and rain! Raise your voices strong!*

*The Spirit moves over earth again creating all things anew, new wonders come into view, sustaining me, sustaining you. Sing a festive song!*

**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.**

**\*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 1<sup>st</sup> grade may now be dismissed for Celebration Chapel in 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.*

**Vows of Ordination for Office of Deacon**

Mr. Les Ackerman & Mr. Morry Beatty

1. Do you believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, as originally given, to be the inerrant Word of God, the only infallible rule of faith and practice?
2. Do you sincerely receive and adopt the Confession of Faith and the Catechisms of this Church, as containing the system of doctrine taught in the Holy Scriptures; and do you further promise that if at any time you find yourself out of accord with any of the fundamentals of this system of doctrine, you will, on your own initiative, make known to your Session the change which has taken place in your views since the assumption of this ordination vow?
3. Do you approve of the form of government and discipline of the Presbyterian Church in America, in conformity with the general principles of biblical polity?
4. Do you accept the office of deacon in this church, and promise faithfully to perform all the duties thereof, and to endeavor by the grace of God to adorn the profession of the Gospel in your life, and to set a worthy example before the Church of which God has made you an officer?
5. Do you promise subjection to your brethren in the Lord?
6. Do you promise to strive for the purity, peace, unity and edification of the Church?

*The congregation vows the following:*

Do you, the members of this church, acknowledge and receive this brother as a deacon, and do you promise to yield him all that honor, encouragement and obedience in the Lord to which his office, according to the Word of God and the Constitution of this Church, entitles him?

**The Prayer of Ordination & Laying of Hands**

Mr. McCracken & the Session

*The Pronouncement*

I now pronounce and declare that Les Ackerman and Morry Beatty Have been regularly elected, ordained and installed deacons in this church, agreeable to the Word of God, and according to the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church in America; and that as such he is entitled to all encouragement, honor and obedience in the Lord: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

**\*The Prayer for Illumination**

Mr. McCracken

**\*Scripture Reading**

**Isaiah 54:1-10**

*ESV Pew Bible, page 610*

**The Morning Sermon**

**“Your Maker is Your Husband”**

*The fourth sermon in the series “The Songs of the Servant of the Lord: Jesus in Isaiah”*

**\*Hymn of Response**

**“This is the Feast of Victory”**

*Antiphon*

This is the feast of victo - ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

1. Sing with all the peo - ple of
2. Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and
3. For the Lamb who was

God and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion. (to vs. 2)  
 might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - - men.  
 slain has be - gun his reign, Al - le - lu - - - ia.

D.C.

## Celebration of Holy Communion

*This is an opportunity for all of us to seek the Lord. 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.*

**\*Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Mr. McCracken

**\*The Great Thanksgiving**

Mr. McCracken

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

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

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

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

**We bless you for your continual love and care.**

**We praise you for calling us to be your people.**

**We thank you that you did not abandon us in our rebellion against your love.**

**\*The Words of Institution**

*We serve wine during communion.*

If you prefer grape juice, please take a purple cup at the center of the tray.

*During the passing of the bread and cup upon direction please join in singing.*

1. How deep the Fa - ther's love for us, how vast be - yond all meas - ure that  
 2. Be - hold the Man up - on the cross, my sin up - on His shoul - ders. A -  
 3. I will not boast in an - y thing: no gifts, no pow'r, no wis - dom. But

he should give His on - ly Son to make a wretch His treas - ure. How  
 shamed, I hear my mock - ing voice call out a - mong the scof - fers. It  
 I will boast in Je - sus Christ; His death and res - ur - rec - tion. Why

great the pain of sear - ing loss. The Fa - ther turns His face a - way as  
 was my sin that held Him there un - til it was ac - com - plished; His  
 should I gain from His re - ward? I can - not give an an - swer. But

wounds which mar the Cho - sen One bring man - y sons to glo - ry. \_\_\_\_\_  
 dy - ing breath has brought me life. I know that it is fin - ished. \_\_\_\_\_  
 this I know with all my heart: His wounds have paid my ran - som. \_\_\_\_\_

1. I will come to you in the si - lence,\_\_\_\_\_ I will lift you from\_ all your  
 2. I am hope for all who are hope- less,\_\_\_\_\_ I am eyes for all who long to  
 3. I am strength for all the de - spair - ing,\_\_\_\_\_ heal - ing for the ones who dwell in  
 4. (I) am the Word that leads all to free - dom, I am the peace the world\_ can - not  
 fear.\_\_\_\_\_ You will hear my voice, I claim you as my choice, be  
 see.\_\_\_\_\_ In the shad - ows of the night,\_\_\_\_\_ I will be your light,\_\_\_\_\_  
 shame.\_\_\_\_\_ All the blind will see, the lame will all run free, and  
 give.\_\_\_\_\_ I will call your name, em - brac - ing all your pain, stand

*Refrain*  
 still and know I am here.\_\_\_\_\_ (To verse 2) Do not be a - fraid, I am with you.  
 come and rest in\_ me.\_\_\_\_\_ (To refrain)  
 all will know my\_ name.\_\_\_\_\_ (To refrain)  
 up, now\_ walk, and\_ live!\_\_\_\_\_ (To refrain)

I have called you each by name. Come and fol - low me, I will bring you home;\_ I  
 love\_ you and you are mine.\_\_\_\_\_ 4. I

**\*The Charge and Benediction**

Joel 2:12-13,

Mr. McCracken

Minister: "Yet even now," declares the Lord, "return to me with all your heart. Rend your hearts and not your garments. Return to the LORD your God, for he is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and abounding in love, and he relents from sending calamity."

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

Minister: Then you will know that I am in the midst of Israel that I am the LORD your God, and that there is no other; never again will my people be put to shame.

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

**\*Postlude**

Douglass McFarland, organist

*\*indicates to please stand, if able.*