

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Preparation for Worship

When I accepted Christ as Savior, when God as judge declared me justified, these things became legally true. My call in the Christian life is to see them become true in my life in practice.

Francis Schaeffer – True Spirituality

Grace enables the Christian to look realistically at who he is because of the fact that his salvation and sanctification do not depend on an idealistic self-assessment.

Earl F. Palmer

(Gifts) are manifestations of the Spirit, but they also express the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the graciousness he produces in our lives.

Sinclair B. Ferguson – Grow in Grace

Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be conceited.

Romans 12:16

Prelude

Lord, Here Am I

John Ness Beck

Douglass McFarland, organ; Dave Leeman, piano

Choral Introit

"Praise, Praise, Praise the Lord"

African Chant

Pastoral Welcome

The Rev. Patrick Poteet

*Call to Worship

from 2 Timothy 1: 3-9

Minister: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. I have been reminded of your sincere faith, which first lived in your grandmother Lois and in your mother Eunice and, I am persuaded, now lives in you as well.

People: **For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you.**

Minister: For God did not give us a spirit of timidity, but a spirit of power, of love, and of self-discipline.

People: **God has saved us and called us to a holy life--not because of anything we have done but because of his own purpose and grace, given us in Christ Jesus before the beginning of time.**

Declaration of Forgiveness

Elder: *Hear these words of the grace of God for those who truly repent of their sins and trust in Christ:*

Be gracious to me, O Lord, for to you do I cry all the day. Gladden the soul of your servant; for to you, O Lord, do I lift up my soul. For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving, abounding in steadfast love to all how call upon you. Psalm 86: 3-5

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. Gardner

The Collection of Tithes and Offerings

The Musical Offering

"Prayer for Mothers"

Donna Butler, Kathy Burdette

The Joyful Noises, directed by Bob Gehman, Karin Elliott, assistant

*God bless the mother who sings to her child, peaceful and calm, her words soft and mild,
God bless the mother awake in the night, rocking her child 'til morning light.
Gather all mothers in tender embrace. Grant them your courage, your wisdom and grace.
Honor their place in your sacred design, of healing the world one child at a time.*

God bless the mother forgiving and wise, sharing God's grace through the light in her eyes.

*God bless the mother oppressed by her fears, carried by faith 'til hope reappears.
Gather all mothers in tender embrace. Grant them your courage, your wisdom and grace.
Honor their place in your sacred design, of healing the world one child at a time.*

The Offering Consecration

Mr. Wichlan

*The Passing of the Peace

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.

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. Poteet

*Scripture Reading

Romans 12:3-8

ESV Pew Bible, page 947

The Morning Sermon

"Sober Thinking"

From the sermon series "Romans: The Church Under Grace"

*Hymn of Response, No. 644 "May the Mind of Christ My Savior"

ST LEONARDS

***Charge and Benediction**

Mr. Poteet

Minister: Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves. Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others." *Philippians 2: 3-4*

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

Minister: May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The one calls you is faithful and he will do it. Amen.

I Thessalonians 5: 23-24

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

***Postlude**

Douglass McFarland, organist

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