

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Preparation for Worship

"You've never really confessed until you've confessed to a brother." Joe Novenson

"If I talk a lot about God and the Bible and the church, but I fail to ask about your needs and help you, I am simply making a lot of empty religious noise. If I graduate from theological seminary and know all the answers to the questions you will never even think of asking, and if I have all of the degrees to prove it and I say I believe in God with all my heart, and soul and strength, and claim to have incredible answers to my prayers to show it, but I fail to take the time to find out where you are at and what makes you laugh and why you cry, I am nothing."

A paraphrase of 1 Corinthians 13 by David Sanford

"A friend loves at all times, and a brother is born for adversity." Proverbs 17:17

"Bear one another's burdens and so fulfill the law of Christ." Galatians 6:2

Prelude

Meditation on "Davis"
O Thou, In Whose Presence

Arr. Roy Brunner

Pastoral Welcome

The Rev. John R. McCracken

*Call to Worship

from Matthew 24 and 28

The Rev. Richey Goodrich

Minister: Jesus said, "Watch out that no one leads you astray. For many will come in my name, claiming, 'I am the Christ,' and will deceive many...Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom...At that time many will turn away from the faith. Because of the increase of wickedness, the love of most will grow cold.

People: **But the one who endures to the end will be saved. And this gospel of the kingdom will be proclaimed throughout the whole worlds as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come.**

Minister: Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you.

People: **And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."**

*Hymn of Adoration, No. 439

"Christ Shall Have Dominion"
Gary Brantz, harmonica

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*Prayer of Adoration

Mr. McCracken

*Hymn of Praise "God, My King, Your Might Confessing" (Psalm145)

LAUDA ANIMA

God, my King, your might confessing, ever will I bless your name;
day by day your throne addressing, still will I your praise proclaim.
Alleluia, alleluia, still will I your praise proclaim.

They shall talk of all your glory, on your might and greatness dwell,
speak of your great acts the story, and your deeds of wonder tell.
Alleluia, alleluia, and your deeds of wonder tell.

Nor shall fail from memory's treasure works by love and mercy wrought:
works of love surpassing measure, works of mercy passing thought.
Alleluia, alleluia, works of mercy passing thought.

All your works, O Lord, shall bless you; You shall all your saints adore.
King supreme shall they confess you, and proclaim your sovereign power.
Alleluia, alleluia, and proclaim your sovereign power!

*Affirmation of Faith Perseverance of the Saints, Westminster Confession of Faith, XVII

Contemporary Edition

Mr. Goodrich

People: Those whom God has accepted in his beloved Son, called to faith and sanctified by his Holy Spirit, can neither totally nor finally sever themselves from God's gracious love. The gift of faith endures to the end of life, eternally saving the believer.

Leader: The saints' endurance of faith does not depend on their decisions, but on the unchangeable character of God's purpose of election. The Father's sustaining grace flows from his free and unchangeable love. The endurance of faith depends on the efficacy of the merit and intercession of Jesus Christ, the indwelling Holy Spirit generating people into God's sons and daughters, and the very nature of the covenant of grace. All of these ministries produce a sure and certain confidence.

People: In contrast to this, God's people may sin greatly. The temptations of Satan and of the world, the prevailing sin remaining in us, and the neglect of spiritual nurture, together constitute dangers which for a time may take hold of God's people. Incurring God's displeasure and bringing grief to the Holy Spirit, we deprive ourselves of a certain measure of the joy and comfort of God's grace. This results in attitudes hardening, moral senses damaged, people being hurt and embarrassed, and even bringing the judgments of the state, society and nature on ourselves.

Public Confession of Sin

Mr. Steve Parks, *Ruling Elder*

Almighty and Merciful Father,

We have read a strong reminder of how often we presume upon your grace, cheapening it by our callousness and willful sins because we feel secure in your love. We presume upon your grace when we fail to love our neighbor, or when we ignore the needs of our world and expect others to pick up the burdens. We acknowledge that too often we take for granted being a member of your forever family by making this world our "home" in our values and commitments. Forgive us and enable us to persevere in purity, in devotion, and in obedience. Cause us to listen to your Holy Spirit of conviction, and turn our hearts and minds to you, that we may know the riches of fellowship in you, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Private Confession

Declaration of Pardon

Leader: Hear what words of assurance the Lord gives to all those who truly repent of their sins and trust in Christ:

My dear children, I write this to you so that you will not sin. But if anybody does sin, we have one who speaks to the Father in our defense--Jesus Christ, the Righteous One. He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world.

1 John 2:1-2

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

People: Thanks be to God!

Hymn of Thanksgiving

"A Debtor to Mercy Alone"

Augustus Toplady

Prayers for Christ's Church and the World

Mr. Parks

The Collection of Tithes and Offerings

Mercy Offering Sunday

The Musical Offering

"The Lord Bless You and Keep You"

John Rutter

dedicated to the Goodrich Family

Trinity Choir, directed by Bob Gehman

The Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon you, and give you peace. Amen.

The Offering Consecration

The Rev. Patrick Poteet

*Doxology

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Let all things their Creator bless, and worship him in humbleness,
O praise him, Alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
And praise the Spirit, three in one,
O praise him, O praise him,
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

***The Passing of the Peace**

Minister: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

***Service of Friendship**

Mr. Poteet

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. Goodrich

***Scripture Reading**

Hebrews 3:12-14
ESV Pew Bible, pg. 1002

The Morning Sermon "How Christian Friendships Are Necessary for Your Salvation"
A Farewell Charge

***Hymn of Response, No. 707 "Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken"**

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Commissioning of the Goodrich Family to Their World Ministry

The TPC Session

***Charge and Benediction**

Mr. Goodrich and Mr. McCracken

Minister: Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.
I Corinthians 15:58

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

Minister: Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen. *Jude 24*

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

***Postlude**

Douglass McFarland, organist

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