

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

August 16, 2009 ❖ 10:30 AM

Prelude

"Before the Throne of God Above"
The Arion String Ensemble

arr. D. Leeman

Thoughts for Worship Preparation

The world asks, 'What does a man own?' Christ asks, 'How does he use it?' Andrew Murray

The less I spent on myself and the more I gave to others, the fuller of happiness and blessing did my soul become. Hudson Taylor

Money never stays with me. It would burn me if it did. I throw it out of my hands as soon as possible, lest it should find its way into my heart. John Wesley

I was once young and now I am old, but not once have I been witness to God's failure to supply my need when first I had given for the furtherance of His work. He has never failed in His promise, so I cannot fail in my service to Him. William Carey

I do not believe one can settle how much we ought to give. I am afraid the only safe rule is to give more than we can spare. In other words, if our expenditure on comforts, luxuries, amusements, etc., is up to the standard common among those with the same income as our own, we are probably giving away too little. If our charities do not at all pinch or hamper us, I should say they are too small. There ought to be things we should like to do and cannot do because our charitable expenditures exclude them. C.S. Lewis

One gives freely, yet grows all the richer; another withholds what he should give, and only suffers want. Proverbs 11:24

Do not toil to acquire wealth; be discerning enough to desist. When your eyes light on it, it is gone, for suddenly it sprouts wings, flying like an eagle toward heaven. Proverbs 23:4-5

Pastoral Welcome

Mr. Michael Wichlan

***Call to Worship**

from Psalm 36

Mr. Wichlan

Minister: Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens, your faithfulness to the skies, your righteousness is like the mighty mountains, your justice like the great deep.

People: **O LORD, how priceless is your unfailing love! Both high and low among men find refuge in the shadow of your wings.**

Minister: They feast on the abundance of your house; you give them drink from your river of delights.

People: **For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light.**

***Hymns of Adoration**

"Psalm 36"

ST ANNE

Thy mercy and thy truth, O Lord, transcend the lofty sky;
Thy judgments are a mighty deep, and as the mountains high.

Lord, thou preservest man and beast; since thou art ever kind,
Beneath the shadow of thy wings we may a refuge find.

With the abundance of thy house we shall be satisfied,
from rivers of unfailing joy our thirst shall be supplied.

The fountain of eternal life is found alone with thee,
and in the brightness of thy light we clearly light shall see!

Hymn No. 86

"Psalm 23"

BROTHER JAMES AIR

Peggy Fleming, violin

***Prayer of Adoration**

The Rev. Patrick Poteet

(concluding with 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

"Mercies Anew"
vs. 1 Solo, Debra Waterman

Mark Altrogge and Bob Kauflin

1. Ev - 'ry morn - ing that breaks there are mer - cies a - new. Ev - 'ry breath that I
2. When I've fal - len and strayed there were mer - cies a - new. For you sought me in
3. When the storms swirl and rage there are mer - cies a - new; in af - lic - tion and

take is your faith - ful - ness proved, and at the end of each day, when my la - bors are
love and my heart you pur - sued. In the face of my sin, Lord, you nev - er with -
pain you will car - ry me through, and at the end of my days, when your throne fills my

through, I will sing of your mer - cies a - new.
drew, so I sing of your mer - cies a - new. And your mer - cies they will nev - er end; for ten
view, I will sing of your mer - cies a - new. (last X to Coda)

thou - sand years they re - main. And when this world's beau - ty has passed a - way, your

CODA
mer - cies will be un - changed. I will sing of your mer - cies a - new.

Public Confession of Sin

Proverbs 11:25, 21:13, Isaiah 58:10, Luke 6:38, Matthew 6:1

Mr. Peter Shotwell, *Ruling Elder*

A generous man will prosper; he who refreshes others will himself be refreshed. If a man shuts his ears to the cry of the poor, he too will cry out and not be answered. And if you spend yourselves in behalf of the hungry and satisfy the needs of the oppressed, then your light will rise in the darkness, and your night will become like the noonday. Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you. Be careful not to do your acts of righteousness before men, to be seen by them. If you do, you will have no reward from your Father in heaven.

Silent Confession

Declaration of Forgiveness

Elder: *Hear these merciful words of forgiveness for those who truly repent of their sins and trust in Christ.*

Blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked or stand in the way of sinners or sit in the seat of mockers. He is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither. Whatever he does prospers. For the LORD watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish. *from Psalm 1*

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. Shotwell

Prayers for a Soldier, Tyler Craven

Mr. Poteet

The Mercy Offering

Scott McNeill, *Deacon*

The Collection of Tithes and Offerings

The Musical Offering

"O Rest in the Lord"
Debra Waterman, solo

F.W. Mendelssohn

O rest in the Lord, wait patiently for Him, and He shall give thee thy heart's desires; O rest in the Lord, wait patiently for Him, and He shall give thee thy heart's desires, and He shall give thee thy heart's desires. Commit thy way unto Him and trust in Him; commit thy way unto him and trust in Him; and fret not thyself because of evil doers. O rest in the Lord, wait patiently for him. O rest in the Lord, wait patiently for Him, and He shall give thee thy heart's desires; O rest in the Lord, wait patiently for Him.

The Offering Consecration

Mr. Poteet

***The Doxology**

GIFT OF LOVE

**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**

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 1st grade may now be dismissed for Celebration Chapel, 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.

*Prayer for Illumination

Mr. Wichlan

*Scripture Reading

2 Corinthians 9:6-8
Pew Bible, pg. 968

The Morning Sermon

"Generous Grace"

Part two of the five part series "Practical Grace". Visit the church website for a video introduction to this sermon series.

*Hymn of Response, No. 434

"Lord, Thou Lov'st a Cheerful Giver"

BEECHER

*The Charge and Benediction

Mr. Wichlan

Minister: Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. *Matthew 6:19-20*

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

Minister: You know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich. Thanks be to God for his inexpressible gift! *II Corinth. 8: 9 & 9:15*

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

Organ Postlude

"With Might and Majesty!"
Douglass McFarland, organist

Steven Scott

**All in the congregation, who are able, please stand.*