

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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A Word to Worshippers

Many people claim they want partnerships in their business, marriage, or general endeavors, but few people achieve true selfless, putting-one-another-first partnerships. Today our worship reflects the partnership God has made with us to bring us to righteousness and his glory. He has opened the path before us and shines his light of truth and love upon it. This is a model for how we should be to fellow believers--selfless partners of encouragement and refreshment. It is the model of the church at Rome for the Apostle Paul. As you worship, then, give praise and thanksgiving to God who always walks the path with you. Depart with a renewed commitment to be that kind of help and partner to others.

Meditations for Worship

Hunger is my native place in the land of the passions. Hunger for fellowship, hunger for righteousness--for a fellowship founded on righteousness, and a righteousness attained in fellowship. Dag Hammarskjold

If we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another...I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in the truth...It is a faithful thing you do in all your efforts for these brothers, strangers as they are, who testified to your love before the church.... We ought to support people like these that we may be fellow workers for the truth. I John 1:7, III John 4,5,8

Prelude

Douglass McFarland, organist

Pastoral Welcome

The Rev. John R. McCracken

*Call to Worship

Isaiah 2:3-5

Minister: Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob, that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.

People: **For out of Zion shall go the law and the word of the LORD. He shall judge between the nations and shall decide disputes for many peoples; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks.**

Minister: O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the LORD.

*Song of Adoration

"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"

HOUSTON

1. I want to walk as a child of the light; I want to fol - low Je - sus.
2. I want to see the bright-ness of God; I want to look at Je - sus.
3. I'm look - ing for the com - ing of Christ; I want to be with Je - sus.

God set the stars to give light to the world; the star of my life is Je - sus.
Clear Son of right-eous-ness, shine on my path, and show me the way to the Fa - ther.
When we have run with pa-tience the race, we shall know the joy of Je - sus

In Him there is no dark-ness at all; the night and the day are both a - like. The
Lamb is the light of the cit - y of God: Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

Hymn of Adoration No. 86

"The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want"

BROTHER JAMES AIR

*Prayer of Adoration

The Rev. Patrick Poteet

*Affirmation of Faith

Ecclesiastes 4:9-12

Mr. Poteet

Two are better than one, because they have a good reward for their toil. For if they fall, one will lift up his fellow. But woe to him who is alone when he falls and has not another to lift him up!

Again, if two lie together, they keep warm, but how can one keep warm alone?

And though a man might prevail against one who is alone, two will withstand him—a threefold cord is not quickly broken.

*Hymn of Praise, No. 355

"We Are God's People"

SYMPHONY

Public Confession of Sin

Mr. Chuck Rehlin, *Ruling Elder*

Almighty God, we confess how hard it is to be your people. You have called us to be the church, to continue the mission of Jesus Christ to our lonely and confused world. Yet we acknowledge we are more apathetic than active, isolated than involved, callous than compassionate, legalistic than loving. Gracious Lord, have mercy upon us and forgive our sins. Remove the obstacles preventing us from being your ambassadors--your hands and feet to this broken world. Awaken our hearts to the promised gift of your indwelling Spirit. This we pray in Jesus' powerful name. Amen.

Silent Confession

Declaration of Forgiveness

Elder: *Hear what strong words of promise the Lord gives to all those who repent of their sins and trust in Christ:*

You are my friends if you do what I command. I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. I instead, I have called you friends!*John 15:15*

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

People: Thanks be to God!

*Song of Assurance

"Every Promise of God's Word"

Getty-Townend

1. From the break - ing of the dawn to the set-ting of the sun, I will stand on ev-'ry
 2. When I stum - ble and I sin, con-dem - na-tion press-ing in, I will stand on ev-'ry
 3. When I'm faced with an-guished choice I will lis-ten for your voice, and I'll stand on ev-'ry
 4. Hope that lifts me from des - pair; love that casts out ev - 'ry fear as I stand on ev-'ry

pro-mise of Your Word. Words of po - wer, strong to save, that will ne - ver pass a -
 pro-mise of Your Word. You are faith - ful to for-give, that in free-dom I might
 pro-mise of Your Word. Through this dark and troub-led land you will guide me with your
 pro-mise of Your Word. Not for - sak - en, not a - lone, for the Com-for-ter has

way; I will stand on ev-'ry pro-mise of Your Word. For your co - ve - nant is
 live, so I stand on ev' ry pro-mise of Your Word. Guilt to in - no - cence re -
 hand as I stand on ev-'ry pro-mise of Your Word. And You've pro - mised to com
 come, and I stand on ev-'ry pro-mise of Your Word. Grace suf - fi - cient, grace for

sure, and on this I am se - cure: I can stand on ev-'ry pro-mise of Your Word.
 stored; you re - mem-ber sins no more. So I'll stand on ev-'ry pro-mise of Your Word.
 plete ev -'ry work be-gun in me, so I'll stand on ev-'ry pro-mise of Your Word.
 me, grace for all who will be - lieve. We will stand on ev-'ry pro-mise of Your Word.

Prayers for Christ's Church and the World

Mr. Rehlin

(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 glory forever. Amen.

The Collection of Tithes and Offerings

The Musical Offering

"Rejoice"

words and music

Steve Garoutte, soloist

by Steve Garoutte and David Sparks

Kneel before the Lord, anoint his feet with oil. A loving fragrance poured for his anguish and his toil. Rejoice! Rejoice, Jesus comes today. Rejoice! Rejoice, the Lord has come today. May my shepherd lead until I want no more. My cup is overflowed, my soul he hath restored. Rejoice! Rejoice, Jesus comes today. Rejoice! Rejoice, the Lord has come today. In his pastures green beside the waters still. In my father's arms forever I will dwell. Rejoice! Rejoice, Jesus comes today. Rejoice! Rejoice, the Lord has come today. Rejoice! Rejoice, salvation comes today. Rejoice, rejoice, the Lord will come today.

The Offering Consecration

The Rev. Michael Wichlan

***Doxology**

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**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. Wichlan

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. McCracken

***Scripture Reading**

Romans 15:25-33
ESV Pew Bible, pg. 950

The Morning Sermon

"Gospel Partnership"

***Hymn of Response, No. 381 "Brethren, We Have Met to Worship"**

HOLY MANNA

***The Charge and Benediction**

Mr. McCracken

Minister: Let us consider how we may stir up one another to love and good deeds. Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another--and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

Hebrews 10:24-25

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

Minister: I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion until the day of Christ Jesus. *Philippians 1:3-6*

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

***Postlude**

Douglass McFarland, organist

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