

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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A Word to Worshippers

It is not uncommon in worship to sing hymns, read Scriptures, and hear testimonies about the bountiful provisions for our daily needs that God provides for us. And yet we still worry.

We still fret and become fearful for our financial futures. Sometimes we seem no better at coping with the recession or unemployment than non-believers. What should we do? What is the antidote to anxiety? That is the focus of our study today. Our liturgy and hymns will refocus our hearts toward the need-meeting God who declares his deep care. His Word preached will shed light on your path. May his Comforter, the Holy Spirit, personalize these truths to your situation so that you may find comfort and peace through a new understanding of your heart, soul, and money.

Meditations for Worship

He is not a covetous man, who lays up something providentially; but he is a covetous man, who gives out nothing willingly.

William Secker

A poor man doth want many things, a rich miser wants everything.

John Trapp

To dispense our wealth liberally is the best way to preserve it.

Isaac Barrow

We often hear of people breaking down from overwork, but in nine cases out of ten they are really suffering from worry or anxiety.

John Lubbock

Prelude

"Pavanne"

G. Faure

Douglass McFarland, organist

Choral Introit

Psalm 23

Walker's Southern Harmony

Dave Leeman, director

Issac Watts

My Shepherd will supply my need, Jehovah is His name: in pastures fresh He makes me feed beside the living stream. He brings my wandering spirit back, when I forsake His ways, and leads me for His mercy's sake, in paths of truth and grace. The sure provisions of my God attend me all my days. O may Your House be my abode, and all my work be praise. There would I find a settled rest, while others go and come; No more a stranger or a guest, but like a child at home.

Pastoral Welcome

The Rev. John R. McCracken

Minister: Why do you boast of evil, O mighty man, you who are a disgrace in the eyes of the Lord? The righteous shall see and fear and laugh at him, saying, "See the man who would not make God his refuge, but trusted in the abundance of his riches and sought refuge in his own destruction!"

People: **But I am like a green olive tree in the house of God;
I trust in the steadfast love of God forever and ever.
I will thank you forever, because you have done it!
I will wait for your name, for it is good, in the presence of the godly.**

*Hymns of Adoration

"Lavish Love, Abundant Beauty"

HYFRODOL

Lavish love, abundant beauty, gracious gifts for heart and hand,
life that fills the soul and senses--all burst forth at your command.
Lord, our Lord, eternal Father, great Creator, God and Friend:
boundless power gave full expression to your love which has no end.

Who am I that you should love me, meet my every need from birth?
Why invest yourself so fully in a creature made of earth?
In your loving heart you planned me, fashioned me with greatest care;
through my soul you breathed your Spirit, planted your own image there.

I am yours, Eternal Father, all my body, mind and heart.
Take and use me to your glory, form yourself in every part.
Lord, your love brings joy and gladness flowing forth within my soul.
May my very breath and being rise to you, their source and goal.

Peter Ellis, 1986, Word Music Inc., Nashville, TN

"God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending"

NETTLETON

God, whose giving knows no ending, from your rich and endless store:
nature's wonder, Jesus' wisdom, costly cross, grave's shattered door.
Gifted by you, we turn to you, offering up ourselves in praise;
thankful song shall rise forever, gracious donor of our days.

Skills and time are ours for pressing toward the goals of Christ, your Son:
all at peace in health and freedom, races joined, the Church made one.
Now direct our daily labor, lest we strive for self alone:
born with talents, make us servants fit to answer at your throne.

Treasure, too, you have entrusted, gain through powers your grace conferred;
ours to use for home and kindred, and to spread the Gospel Word.
Open wide our hands in sharing, as we heed Christ's ageless call,
healing, teaching, and reclaiming, serving you by loving all.

Robert Edwards, 1961, renewal 1989 The Hymn Society

*Prayer of Adoration

The Rev. Patrick Poteet

*Hymn of Praise

"If You Would Be Great"

LYONS

If you would be great, you blessed of the Lord,
be people of God and walk in His Word.
His heart is compassion and love is His call.
So, take up your cross and be servants of all.

The Father of Life has given you birth,
A light for the world and salt for the earth.
In all His abundance, be ever aware
The earth He has given is meant to be shared.

We'll reach to the need; we'll listen and learn,
For this is our joy: the freedom to serve.
Our goal and our glory, whatever the cost:
To live and to love as the People of God.

Ken Bible, 2005, LNWhymns.com

Affirmation of Faith Westminster Shorter Catechism, Q. 79-81 The Rev. Michael Wichlan

Q. Which is the tenth commandment?

A. **The tenth commandment is, *You shall not covet your neighbor's house, you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, nor his male servant, nor his female servant, nor his ox, nor his donkey, nor anything that is your neighbor's.***

Q. What is required in the tenth commandment?

A. **The tenth commandment requires full contentment with our own condition, with a right and charitable frame of spirit toward our neighbor, and all that is his.**

Q. What is forbidden in the tenth commandment?

A. **The tenth commandment forbids all discontentment with our own estate, envying or grieving at the good of our neighbor, and all inordinate motions and affections to anything that is his.**

Public Confession of Sin

Mr. John Krieger, *Ruling Elder*

God of grace,

We confess that we have elevated the things of this world above you.

We have made idols of possessions and people and used your name for causes that are not consistent with you and your purposes.

We have permitted our schedules to come first and have not taken the time to worship you.

We have participated in systems that take life instead of giving it.
We have yearned for, and sometimes taken that which is not ours, and have
misrepresented others' intentions.
Forgive us, O God, for the many ways we fall short of your glory.
Help us to learn to live according to your ways through Jesus Christ, our Lord,
Amen.

Private Confession

Declaration of Pardon

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

You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy. I Peter 2:9-10

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. Krieger

The Mercy Offering

Mr. Ron Bowser, *Deacon*

The Collection of Tithes and Offerings

The Musical Offering

"Be Thou My Vision"

John Rutter

Trinity Choir

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart. Be all else but naught to me, save that thou art; be thou my best thought in the day and the night, both waking and sleeping, thy presence my light. Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word, be thou ever with me, and I with thee, Lord. Be thou my great Father, and I thy true son; be thou in me dwelling and I with thee one. Be thou my breast-plate, my sword for the fight; be thou my whole amour, be thou my true might; be thou my soul's shelter, be thou my strong tower: O raise thou me heavenward, great Power of my power. Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise: Be thou mine inheritance now and always; be thou and thou only the first in my heart. O Sovereign of heaven, my treasure thou art. High King of heaven, thou heaven's bright Sun, O grant me its joys after victory is won; Great Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be thou my vision, O Ruler of all.

The Offering Consecration

Mr. Wichlan

***Doxology**

OLD HUNDRETH

**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

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. McCracken

***Scripture Reading**

Luke 12: 13-34
ESV Pew Bible, pg 871

The Morning Sermon

"Possessions and Anxiety"
Fifth sermon in the series, "Heart, Soul, and Money"

*Hymn of Response

"Satisfied"

HOLY MANNA

All my life long I had pant - ed for a drink from some cool spring
 Feed - ing on the husks a - round me till my strength was al - most gone,
 Well of wa - ter ev - er spring - ing, bread of life so rich and free,
 that I hoped would quench the burn - ing of the thirst I felt with - in.
 longed my soul for some - thing bet - ter on - ly still to hun - ger on.
 un - told wealth that nev - er fail - eth my Re - deem - er is to me.
 Hal - le - lu - jah! I have found him, whom my soul so long has craved.
 Poor I was and sought for rich - es, some - thing that would sat - is - fy;
 Hal - le - lu - jah! He has found me, whom my soul so long has craved!
 Je - sus sat - is - fies my long - ings, through his blood I now am saved.
 but the dust I gath - ered round me on - ly mocked my soul's sad cry.
 Je - sus sat - is - fies my long - ings, through his blood I now am saved.

Clara T. Williams, 1875

*The Charge and Benediction

Mr. McCracken

Minister: Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. *I Timothy 6:17*

People: With God's help we will.

Minister: Do not be anxious about anything... But may the peace of God, which passes all understanding, guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. Amen. *Phil. 4:6,7*

People: Thanks be to God! Amen!

*Postlude

Douglass McFarland, organist

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