

# ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

## TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

September 5, 2010 ❖ 10:30 AM

### A Word to Worshippers

Most people would anticipate that a series on money will teach good stewardship and giving. What might not be expected is a strong emphasis on caring for the poor. But in Isaiah 58, God says that those who are utterly consistent in worship and Bible study but deficient in caring for the poor are not in a right relationship with Him. Why is there such a strong connection between being in a right relationship with God and caring for the poor? That is the question we will answer today. A paradox of discipleship is that though we are to know the riches of our glorious inheritance in Christ, (Eph 1:18), Jesus said, "blessed are the poor in spirit." God is not impressed with our spiritual resources or our moral attainments. Even our best works are like filthy rags in the presence of an utterly holy God. Instead, God counts us as righteous only because of what Jesus has done for us which. Today in worship and at the Lord's table we will discover and celebrate this wonder.

### Meditations for Worship

*For I the Lord love justice.*

*Isaiah 61:8*

*A generous man will himself be blessed, for he shares his food with the poor.*

*Proverbs 22:9*

*He who lends to the poor gets his interest from God.*

*German Proverb*

*The overarching biblical command is to love, and the first act of love is always the giving of attention. Therefore the poor are not to be avoided, forgotten, or allowed to become invisible. We are to see them as God's creatures of equal significance with anyone else in the divine purpose. "The rich and poor have this in common: The Lord is Maker of them all" (Prov. 22:2)*

*Dallas Willard*

*We must go toward the unreached and toward the poor. And these are almost the same now. 85% of the poorest of the poor live in the 10-40 window (from West Africa to the Pacific Rim 10 degrees North to 40 degrees North). And 95% of the least reached peoples live in the 10-40 window. In other words, globally speaking, the most unreached peoples and the poorest peoples are almost the same.*

*John Piper*

### Prelude

### "Give Thanks"

arr. John Innes

Douglass McFarland, organ; Dave Leeman, piano

### Pastoral Welcome

The Rev. John R. McCracken


### \*Call to Worship

I Chronicles 29: 10-13

*music by Jimmy Owens*

Choir : (sung) *Blessed are you, Lord God, our Father forever and ever! (repeated)*

People: (sung)




Yours, O Lord, is the great-ness and the pow - er and the glo - ry.  
Yours, O Lord is the King-dom and the vic - t'ry and the maj - es - ty.

Choir: *For all that is in heaven and all that is in earth is yours, O Lord, is yours, O Lord.*

People: **Both riches and honor come from you, and you rule over all. In your hand are power and might, and in your hand it is to make great and to give strength to all.**

Choir: *And now, our God, we thank you and praise your glorious name. For all we have has come from you; Lord, all we have has come from you and of your own we give to you with joy!*

All:



Yours, O Lord, is the great-ness and the pow - er and the glo - ry.  
Yours, O Lord is the King-dom and the vic - t'ry and the maj - es - ty.

Choir: *And you are exalted, Lord, you are exalted, Oh, you are exalted as Head over all!*

**\*Prayer of Adoration**

The Rev. Patrick Poteet

**\*Hymn of Adoration, No. 38**

**"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"**

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**\*Affirmation of Faith**

Micah 6:6-8

Mr. Poteet

With what shall I come before the LORD, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings? Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?

**He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you?**

**To do justice,**

**and to love kindness,**

**and to walk humbly with your God**

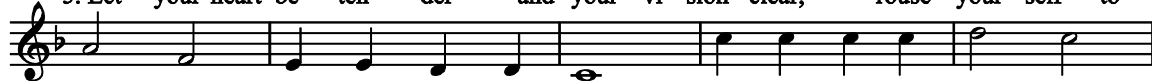
\*Hymn of Response,

"Let Your Heart Be Broken"

RIVER GLORIOUS



1. Let your heart be bro - ken for a world in need, feed the mouths that  
 2. Here on earth ap - ply - ing prin - ci - ples of love, vis - i - ble - ex -  
 3. Blest to be a bless - ing, priv - i - ledged to care, chal - lenged by the  
 4. Add to your be - liev - ing deeds that prove it true, know - ing Christ as  
 5. Let your heart be ten - der and your vi - sion clear, rouse your - self to



hun - ger, soothe the wounds that bleed; give the cup of wa - ter  
 pres - sion God still rules a - bove, liv - ing il - lus - tra - tion  
 need ap - par - ent ev - ery where, where the world is want - ing  
 Sav - ior, make him Mas - ter too; fol - low in his foot - steps,  
 ac - tion, serve God far and near. Let your heart be bro - ken



and the loaf of bread, be the hands of Je - sus, ser - ving in his stead.  
 of the liv - ing Word to the minds of all who've nev - er seen or heard.  
 fill the va - cant place, be the means through which the Lord re - veals his grace.  
 go where he has trod, in the word's great trou - ble risk your - self for God.  
 by an - oth - er's pain, share your rich re - sourc - es, give and give a - gain.

Prayers for Christ's Church and the World

Mr. John Krieger, *Ruling Elder*

The Collection of Tithes and Offerings

The Musical Offering

"To the Praise of His Glorious Grace"

*Michael W. Smith*

Trinity Choir

*from Ephesians 1*

*Let us praise the One who chose us, Let us thank the One who knows us. Set apart, blameless in His sight, through the Son we have faith, we have life, to the praise of His glorious grace. May the God of our Lord the Almighty Father give you wisdom and peace and his comforting Spirit, that you may know his hope, that you may know his riches, that you may know his mighty strength. To the praise of his glorious grace, to the praise of his glorious grace! Grace and peace to you through Jesus, our Deliverer receives us. Our hearts created for His Word, our salvation spoken and we heard; to the praise of His glorious grace. May the God of our Lord the Almighty Father give you wisdom and peace and his comforting Spirit, that you may know his hope, that you may know his riches, that you may know his mighty strength. To the praise of his glorious grace, to the praise of his glorious grace! Amen.*

The Offering Consecration

The Rev. Michael Wichlan

\*Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

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. 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

**Isaiah 58:1-14**  
*ESV Pew Bible, pg. 356*

### The Morning Sermon

#### "Possessions and Justice"

*Third sermon in the series, "Heart, Soul, and Money"*

## Celebration of Holy Communion

*Communion is an occasion for all baptized Christians to meet with their Savior by faith, to be strengthened and renewed by him, and celebrate him. All who trust alone in Christ as Savior and Lord, belong to a church that embraces the Gospel, are at peace with their neighbor, and seek strength to live more faithfully, are welcome to partake. If you are not a Christian, or if you choose not to share in this meal, we invite you to spend this time in prayer.*

*A Word to Parents: To receive communion, a child must have been baptized and been formally received as a communing member by the Session of this church or the governing body of the church to which you belong. If your children will not be receiving communion, please use this afternoon to instruct them about the meaning of our sin and Christ's grace at the Cross.*

### \*Hymn No. 230

#### "Thou Who Wast Rich Beyond All Splendor"

FRENCH CAROL

### Public Confession of Sin

from Isaiah 1

Mr. Krieger, *Ruling Elder*

*"What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices?" says the Lord; "I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams... When you come to appear before me... bring no more vain offerings; incense is an abomination to me. New moon and Sabbath and the calling of convocations — I cannot endure iniquity and solemn assembly. Your new moons and your appointed feasts my soul hates; they have become a burden to me; I am weary of bearing them. **When you spread out your hands, I will hide my eyes from you; even though you make many prayers, I will not listen; your hands are full of blood. Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your deeds from before my eyes; cease to do evil, learn to do good; seek justice, correct oppression; bring justice to the fatherless, plead the widow's cause.***

### Private Confession

## Declaration of Pardon

Elder: *Hear what sweet words of comfort the Lord gives to all those who truly repent of their sins and trust in Christ: "Come now, let us reason together, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool."* Isaiah 1:18

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

## People: Thanks be to God!

### \*The Great Thanksgiving

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Minister: Lift up your hearts.


People: **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is proper and right that we should laud you, bless you, praise you, give thanks to you, and adore you in all places of your dominion: for you are God ineffable, incomprehensible, inconceivable; you are from everlasting and are changeless, you, and your Only-begotten Son, and your Holy Spirit.**

Minister: You have called us into being from nothingness; and when we had fallen away from you, you raised us up again; and you did not cease to do all things until you brought us back to heaven, and endowed us with your kingdom which is to come. For all these things we give thanks to you, and your Only-begotten Son, and your Holy Spirit; for all the things we know about and the things about which we do not know; for all your benefits bestowed upon us, both manifest and unseen.

People **And we give thanks to you for this ministry which you deign to accept at our hands, although there stand before you thousands of archangels and myriads of angels, with the cherubim, and seraphim, six-winged, many-eyed, who soar aloft, borne on their wings, crying, calling aloud, and singing the triumphant song:**



Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts; Ho-ly, ho - ly ho - ly  
is the Lord of hosts. The whole earth is full of His glo - ry, the whole earth is full of His  
glo - ry, the whole earth is full of His glo - ry; Ho - ly is the Lord.

## Thanksgiving Prayer and Words of Institution

Mr. McCracken

*(Followed by proclaiming boldly)*

Minister: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.

**People: Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

Minister: Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us.

**People: Therefore, let us keep the feast.**

Minister: The gifts of God for the people of God.

*We serve wine during communion.*

*If you prefer grape juice, please take a purple cup at the center of the tray*

*As the bread and cup are served please be in prayerful meditation.*

## \*The Charge and Benediction

Mr. McCracken

Minister: The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me to bring good news to the poor; he has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to those who are bound; to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn; to grant to those who mourn in Zion—to give them a beautiful headdress instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the garment of praise instead of a faint spirit; that they may be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, that he may be glorified.

Isaiah 61:1-3

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

Minister: I will greatly rejoice in the Lord; my soul shall exult in my God, for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation; he has covered me with the robe of righteousness.

Isaiah 61:10

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

## \*Postlude

Douglass McFarland, organist

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