

A PRAYING COMMUNITY

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Park Cities Presbyterian Church August 26, 2007 8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 am

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to all who will come, this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Please turn off all communication devices.

Thank you.

Preparation for Worship

Choral Worship

p "Awake, My Soul, and Sing" Chancel Choir • J. Marty Cope, Director Awake, my soul, and sing of Him who died for thee, and hail Him as thy matchless King through all eternity. arr. Young

Call to Worship

The Rev. Tim Tinsley

Minister: Oh sing to the Lord a new song, for He has done marvelous

things! His right hand and His holy arm have worked salva-

tion for Him.

People: The Lord has made known His salvation; He has revealed

His righteousness in the sight of the nations.

Minister: He has remembered His steadfast love and faithfulness to the

house of Israel. All the ends of the earth have seen the salva-

tion of our God.

People: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; break forth

into joyous song and sing praises! Psalm 98:1-4

*Hymn of Adoration No. 55

"To God Be the Glory"

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

*Confession of our Church's Faith

The Rev. Ron Williams 8:00 The Rev. Patrick Lafferty 9:30 The Rev. Bill Lamberth 11:00

Minister: **People:**

Christian, what is your only comfort, in life and in death? That I belong—body and soul, in life and in death—not to myself, but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ, who at the cost of His own blood has fully paid for all my sins and has completely freed me from the dominion of the devil; that He protects me so well that without the will of my Father in heaven not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, that everything must fit His purpose for my salvation. Therefore, by His Holy Spirit, He also assures me of eternal life, and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for Him.

Heidelberg Catechism, Question 1

*Hymn of Praise No. 167

"When Morning Gilds the Skies"

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Please be seated.

Public Confession of Sin

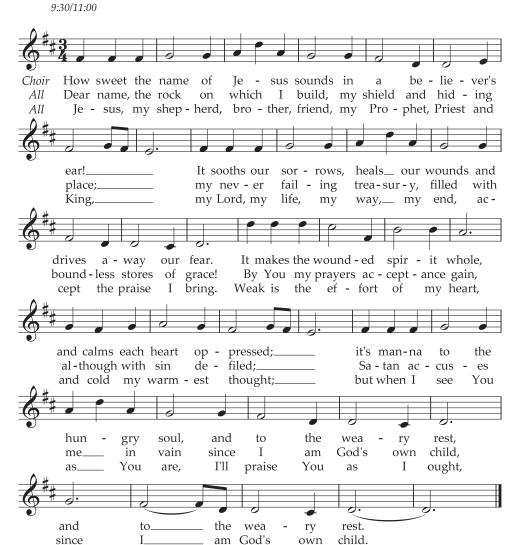
O Lord God, Who inhabits eternity, the heavens declare Your glory, the earth Your riches, the universe is Your temple. Your presence fills immensity, yet You have of Your pleasure created life, and communicated happiness. You have made me what I am, and given me what I have. In You I live and have my being; Your providence has set the bounds of my habitation, and wisely administers all my affairs. I thank You for Your riches given to me in Jesus: for the unclouded revelation of Him in Your Word, where I behold His person, character, grace, glory, humiliation, sufferings, death, and resurrection. Help me to feel a need of His continual saviorhood, and cry with Job, "I am vile," with Peter, "I perish," with the publican, "Be merciful to me, a sinner." Subdue in me the love of sin, let me know the need of renovation as well as of forgiveness, in order to serve and enjoy You forever.

Private Confession

Words of Assurance and Comfort of the Gospel

Righteousness will be counted to us who believe in Him who raised from the dead Jesus our Lord, who was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification.

Romans 4.24b-25



Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

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Mr. Williams 8:00 Dr. Pat Moore, *Ruling Elder* 9:30/11:00

Musical Offering

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8:00 "Fairest Lord Jesus" arr. Hayes
Mr. Colin Howland, Piano

9:30/11:00 "Now Let Us All Praise God and Sing" Gordon Young Chancel Choir • Mr. Cope, Director

Now let us all praise God and sing our great Redeemer's praise; that we may all with one accord our joyful voices raise. Sing alleluia!

All ye servants of the Lord, praise Him forever, sing Jehovah's mighty pow'r, praise Him forever. Sing of His righteousness, praise Him forever.

*The Greeting of Peace

Minister: Let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to which also you were

called in one body; and be thankful. The peace of the Lord be with you always. Colossians 3.15

People: And also with you.

The Service of Friendship

If you are seated on the left end of the pew, please take the Service of Friendship pad, fill out the information and pass it down. When it arrives at the other end of the pew, pass it back, taking note of those who are seated in your row.

*The Scripture Reading

Acts 15.1-21

But some men came down from Judea and were teaching the brothers, "Unless you are circumcised according to the custom of Moses, you cannot be saved." ² And after Paul and Barnabas had no small dissension and debate with them, Paul and Barnabas and some of the others were appointed to go up to Jerusalem to the apostles and the elders about this question. ³ So, being sent on their way by the church, they passed through both Phoenicia and Samaria, describing in detail the conversion of the Gentiles, and brought great joy to all the brothers. 4 When they came to Jerusalem, they were welcomed by the church and the apostles and the elders, and they declared all that God had done with them. ⁵ But some believers who belonged to the party of the Pharisees rose up and said, "It is necessary to circumcise them and to order them to keep the law of Moses."

⁶ The apostles and the elders were gathered together to consider this matter. ⁷ And after there had been much debate, Peter stood up and said to them, "Brothers, you know that in the early days God made a choice among you, that by my mouth the Gentiles should hear the word of the gospel and believe. 8 And God, who knows the heart, bore witness to them, by giving them the Holy Spirit just as He did to us, ⁹ and He made no distinction between us and them, having cleansed their hearts by faith. 10 Now, therefore, why are you putting God to the test by placing a yoke on the neck of the disciples that neither our fathers nor we have been able to bear? ¹¹ But we believe that we will be saved through the grace of the Lord Jesus, just as they will."

¹² And all the assembly fell silent, and they listened to Barnabas and Paul as they related what signs and wonders God had done through them among the Gentiles. 13 After they finished speaking, James replied, "Brothers, listen to me. 14 Simeon has related how God first visited the Gentiles, to take from them a people for His name.

¹⁵ And with this the words of the prophets agree, just as it is written,

¹⁶ " 'After this I will return,

and I will rebuild the tent of David that has fallen; I will rebuild its ruins, and I will restore it,

¹⁷ that the remnant of mankind may seek the Lord, and all the Gentiles who are called by My name, says the Lord, who makes these things

18 known from of old.'

¹⁹ Therefore my judgment is that we should not trouble those of the Gentiles who turn to God, 20 but should write to them to abstain from the things polluted by idols, and from sexual immorality, and from what has been strangled, and from blood. ²¹ For from ancient generations Moses has had in every city those who proclaim him, for he is read every Sabbath in the synagogues."

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Please stand.

*The Great Thanksgiving

Mr. Williams

Minister: The Lord be with you. **People:** And with your spirit.

Minister: Lift up your hearts!

People: We lift them up to the Lord!

Minister: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God. **People:** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Minister: It is right and good and a joyful thing, always and everywhere

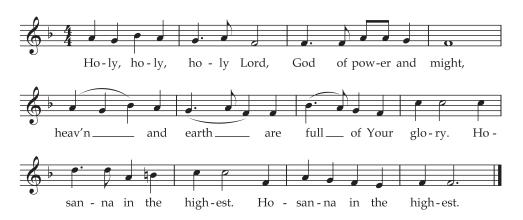
to give thanks unto You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty,

Everlasting God.

People: Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the

company of heaven, we laud and magnify Your glorious Name;

evermore praising You, and singing:



*Prayer of Thanksgiving and Blessing

*The Words of Institution

The Communion

Please come forward down the center aisle.

Partake of the elements upon receiving them from the elders.

Return to your seat with your empty cup via the side aisle.

During the Serving of Communion

Please use the following Scripture for private meditation.

Psalm 130

Out of the depths I cry to You, O Lord! O Lord, hear my voice! Let Your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy! If You, O Lord, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand? But with You there is forgiveness, that You may be feared. I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in His word I hope; my soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen for the morning, more than watchmen for the morning. O Israel, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with Him is plentiful redemption. And He will redeem Israel from all his iniquities.

S Worshipers at 9:30 and 11:00, continue here S

*Closing Hymn No. 164 "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

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*Benediction

Minister: The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make His face to

shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up His

countenance upon you and give you peace. Numbers 6:24-26

People: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Postlude "A Song of Triumph" Howells
Mr. Howland, Organ

The flowers in our worship service this morning are given to the glory of God and in memory of Dianne and our daughter, Jan Pollard, by Bill Lasater.

^{*}The congregation stands.