Holy Spirit Living Breath of God

Holy Spirit, living breath of God Breathe new life into my willing soul Let the presence of the risen Lord Come renew my heart and make me whole Cause Your Word to come alive in me Give me faith for what I cannot see Give me passion for Your purity Holy Spirit, breathe new life in me.

PREPARATION TO WORSHIP

Prelude

• The bullet points indicate when to stand if you are able.

GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO WORSHIP HIM

Let us stand as the Triune God, God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, now calls His Church into His presence to worship Him. I ask you this morning:

Grace Presbyterian Church, who is He, in Whose Name we are gathered to worship today?

He is "Christ Jesus: Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to His own advantage; rather, He made Himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to death—even death on a cross!

Therefore God exalted Him to the highest place and gave Him the Name that is above every name, that at the Name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father."

Philippians 2:5-11

Call to Worship

Psalm 149:1-2

Please stand, if you are able.

Praise the LORD.

Sing to the LORD a new song, His praise in the assembly of His faithful people.

Let Israel rejoice in their Maker; let the people of Zion be glad in their King.

Opening Prayer

(Led by Pastor)

Please stand, if you are able.

Hymn 38

"Ye Servants of God"

Please stand, if you are able.

Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim, And publish abroad His wonderful Name; The Name, all victorious, of Jesus extol: His kingdom is glorious, He rules over all. God ruleth on high, almighty to save, And still He is nigh, His presence we have; The great congregation His triumph shall sing, Ascribing salvation to Jesus, our King. "Salvation to God, Who sits on the throne!"

Let all cry aloud and honor the Son;

The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim,

Fall down on their faces and worship the Lamb.

Then let us adore and give Him His right - All glory and power, all wisdom and might, All honor and blessing, with angels above, And thanks never-ceasing, and infinite love.

GOD CALLS US TO CONFESS, TO REPENT AND TO RECONCILE

God's Commandments

Exodus 20.1-17

We Pray and Confess Our Sin (In Unison)

Our Father in heaven, it is often in the rush hours of our days that we forget all about You and Your perfect will for us. Then, we find ourselves not even thinking about our sins nor bringing them before You. But it is in the quiet times, when we stand alone before You, and You speak to us through Your Word, that we realize anew that we have

grieved Your Holy Spirit with our rebellion, our lukewarm faith, our double-heartedness, with our loveless behavior and our tongues that speak lies. Yes, we have not trusted You. We have worshipped ourselves and our own interests, rather than worshiping You. O Lord, would You grant us Your forgiveness for Jesus' sake. Remember what Christ has done on our behalf, Lord. We pray in Jesus' Name. Amen.

(End)

God's Assurance to His Repentant People Isaiah 44:22

I have swept away your offenses like a cloud, your sins like the morning mist. Return to me, for I have redeemed you.

Hymn 79

"My Jesus, I Love Thee"

Please stand, if you are able.

My Jesus, I love Thee; I know Thou art mine.

For Thee all the follies of sin I resign.

My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art Thou:

If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

I love Thee because Thou hast first loved me And purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree. I love Thee for wearing the thorns on Thy brow: If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now. I'll love Thee in life; I will love Thee in death
And praise Thee as long as Thou lendest me breath.
And say when the death-dew lies cold on my brow,
"If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now."

In mansions of glory and endless delight,
I'll ever adore Thee in heaven so bright.
I'll sing with the glittering crown on my brow,
"If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now."

We Profess Our Faith

Heidelberg Catechism

Please stand, if you are able.

Q 75 How does the holy supper remind and assure you that you share in Christ's one sacrifice on the cross and in all His benefits?

(Continue)

Answer

A. In this way: Christ has commanded me and all believers to eat this broken bread and to drink this cup in remembrance of Him. With this command come these promises: First, as surely as I see with my eyes the bread of the Lord broken for me and the cup shared with me, so surely His body was offered and broken for me, and His blood poured out for me on the cross.

(Continue)

Answer

Second, as surely as I receive from the hand of the one who serves, and taste with my mouth the bread and cup of the Lord, given me as sure signs of Christ's body and blood, so surely, He nourishes and refreshes my soul for eternal life with His crucified body and poured-out blood.

We Worship God with Our Tithes and Offerings

Carry each other's burdens, and in this way, you will fulfill the law of Christ.

Galatians 6:2

"Gethsemane" with "The Power of the Cross" Lidia van Blerk and Beverley Murdock

Prayer for God's Provision

(Led by Ruling Elder)

The Doxology

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.

Please stand, if you are able.

Pastoral Prayer

Hymn 682

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

Please stand, if you are able.

Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah,
Pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but Thou art mighty;
Hold me with Thy pow'rful hand;
Bread of Heaven, Bread of Heaven,
Feed me till I want no more,
Feed me till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain,
Whence the healing stream doth flow;
Let the fire and cloudy pillar
Lead me all my journey through;
Strong Deliv'rer, strong Deliv'rer,
Be Thou still my strength and shield,
Be Thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan,
Bid my anxious fears subside;
Bear me through the swelling current,
Land me safe on Canaan's side;
Songs of praises, songs of praises
I will ever give to Thee,
I will ever give to Thee.

THE LORD SPEAKS TO US THROUGH HIS WORD AND SACRAMENTS

Scripture Reading

Exodus 16:1-20

Sermon

"Heavenly Bread"
Pastor Theo van Blerk

COMMUNION

GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer

SPECIAL COLLECTION: For Mercy Ministry

Hymn 45

"With Hearts in Love Abounding" (Tune: Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus)

Please stand, if you are able.

With hearts in love abounding, we now prepare to sing a lofty theme, resounding Your praise, almighty King; Whose love, rich gifts bestowing, has blessed the human race, Whose lips are overflowing with words of truth and grace.

In majesty transcendent, put on Your conq'ring sword; in righteousness resplendent, ride on, incarnate Word.

Ride on, O King Messiah! to glory and renown; pierced by Your shafts of fire, each foe be overthrown.

So reign, O God, in heaven, eternally the same, and endless praise be given to Your almighty Name. Clothed in Your dazzling brightness, Your church on earth behold in robes of purest whiteness, in garments worked in gold.

THE LORD SENDS HIS PEOPLE OUT

Please stand, if you are able.

Prayer for the Blessing of God's People

Now may the God of peace, Who brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with every good thing to do His will, and may He accomplish in us what is pleasing in His sight through Jesus Christ, to Whom be glory forever and ever.

Hebrews 13:20-21

Please stand, if you are able.

Leader: "Christ is Risen!"

All: "He is Risen Indeed!"