

O Love of God!

PRELUDE

Video

Gathering

We gather together with Saints around the world to worship the living God. In word and song, in silence and fellowship, in confession and forgiveness, in giving and sending...may the words of our mouth and the meditations of our heart be pleasing to God.

"The Doxology"

The Lesser Doxology/Words: Bishop Thomas Ken, 1709/Music: The Genevan Psalter, 1551

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host:
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader & People

LEADER: O Lord, open our lips.

ALL: And our mouth shall proclaim Your praise.

LEADER: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins;

ALL: His mercy endures forever.

OPENING PRAYER

Congregation

God of compassion, You are slow to anger, and full of mercy, welcoming sinners who return to You with penitent hearts. Receive in Your loving embrace all who come home to You. Seat them at Your bountiful table of grace, that, with all Your children, they may feast with delight on all that satisfies the hungry heart. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Congregation

"Come And Welcome"

Words: Thomas Howells/Music: Matthew Perryman Jones/CCLI License #136148

From the cross uplifted high, where the Savior deigns to die,
What melodious sounds I hear, bursting on my ravished ear.
Love's redeeming work is done. Come and welcome, sinner, come.

Sprinkled now with blood the throne; why beneath thy burdens groan.
On My pierced body laid, justice owns the ransom paid.
Bow the knee and kiss the Son. Come and welcome, sinner, come.

Spread for thee the festal board; see with richest dainties stored.
To thy Father's bosom pressed, yet again a child confessed:
Never from His house to roam; come and welcome, sinner, come.

Soon the days of life shall end; lo, I come, your Savior, Friend.
Safe your spirit to convey, to the realms of endless day.
Up to my eternal home, come and welcome, sinner, come.
Come and welcome, sinner, come.

CONFESSION, FORGIVENESS & PEACE

Leader & People

In a culture fearful of honesty, we have been taught to avoid being honest about our faults. And because many of us don't feel forgiven, we rarely offer forgiveness to others. Moreover, it seems like

the wars of the world have become wars in our hearts—we have no idea what peace is. But for the people of God, confession, forgiveness and peace come as a package deal. Indeed, there is a sort of rhythm to these three characteristics of the Christian life. You are thus invited to experience the rhythm of the gospel: confessing your sins, hearing the forgiveness of God and extending God's peace to those around you.

Agnus Dei Followed By Kyrie Eleison

LEADER: Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.

ALL: Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.

LEADER: Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us peace.

ALL SING: Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy,
Lord, have mercy on me... (Repeat).

God's Promise Of Forgiveness From Acts 13:38; Ephesians 1:7

LEADER: Through Jesus Christ forgiveness of sins is proclaimed to you. In Christ we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His grace.

ALL: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

What Forgiveness Feels Like: Passing The Peace Of Christ

Take a moment to greet one another in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have peace with God and each other. Shake the hand of a brother or sister close to you. This is what it feels like to be the gathered and forgiven people of God!

SONG OF PRAISE

Congregation

Songs of praise flow from hearts that know God's forgiveness. Join your voices now with those forgiven saints around you, in praise and honor of a God whose compassion never fails!

"Rising"

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From the rising of the sun, 'til sun goes down,
Let the Name of the Lord be praised.
From the rising of the sun, 'til sun goes down,
Let the Name of the Lord be praised.

We've gathered to worship,
Becoming a choir to sing Your praise.
Lifting our voices, joining our hearts in this house today.
People of God, in the power of God,
For the Kingdom of God we sing:

CHORUS: From the rising of the sun, 'til sun goes down,
Let the Name of the Lord be praised.
From the rising of the sun, 'til sun goes down,
Let the Name of the Lord be praised.
From the sky, to the depths,
From the east, to the west, we give You praise.

We're gathered to go out to cities and towns,
We'll take Your Name into the nations
Shining Your light in the darkest place.
People of God, in the power of God
For the Kingdom of God we live:

CONFESSING OUR FAITH

Leader & People

Composed in Heidelberg in the mid 1500's. The purpose of this catechism was and is to teach the people of God Christian doctrine by means of a set of questions and answers. The Heidelberg is one of three confessions of faith used by Reformed churches (along with the Belgic Confession and the well-known Westminster Confession of Faith).

From the *Heidelberg Catechism*, Questions 110-111

LEADER: What does God forbid in the eighth commandment?

ALL: God forbids not only the theft and robbery which civil authorities punish, but God also labels as theft all wicked tricks and schemes by which we seek to get for ourselves our neighbor's goods, whether by force or under the pretext of right, such as false weights and measures, deceptive

advertising or merchandising, counterfeit money, exorbitant interest, or any other means forbidden by God. In addition God forbids all greed and pointless squandering of His gifts.

LEADER: What does God require of us in this commandment?

ALL: That I do whatever I can for my neighbor's good, that I treat others as I would like them to treat me, and that I work faithfully so that I may share with those in need.

RESPONSE IN SONG

Congregation

Have you ever wondered about God as Trinity? What does it mean that He is Father, Son, and Holy Spirit...one God? In this song, we learn more about God as "three in one," especially as it relates to our salvation. God sent the Son, Jesus. The Son bought us children. The Holy Spirit applies and seals these truths in our hearts, giving us faith to believe this wonderful plan of God.

"Heavenly Father, Beautiful Son"

Words and Music by Mark Altrogge

Father, You loved me, sent Your Son to redeem.

Jesus, You washed me, by Your blood I am clean.

Spirit, You've opened these blinded eyes

And brought me to Christ.

CHORUS: Heavenly Father, beautiful Son,
Spirit of light and truth,
Thank You for bringing
Sinners to come to You.

Father, You gave me, to Jesus to keep.
And Jesus, You love me, as a shepherd, his sheep.
Spirit, You've given me faith in the Son
And made our hearts one.

Father, You're waiting to hear my requests.
Jesus, Your loving open hand is outstretched.
Spirit, You're in me, You intercede,
And help in my need.

WORSHIPING GOD WITH OUR WEALTH

Congregation

Welcome Pads Passed

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Grades K-2

The Word

SERMON

Rev. Cortese

For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. (Hebrews 4:12 ESV)

The Eucharist

The word "Eucharist" means thanksgiving. This was the traditional term for the Lord's Supper and implies that, when we come to the Lord's table, we are "[giving] thanks [to God] for the living, dying, and rising again of Jesus, looking forward to the coming again of Christ to establish His Kingdom (Robert Webber)."

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

Leader & People

The Great Thanksgiving

LEADER: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

LEADER: *Lift up your hearts.*
 ALL: We lift them to the Lord.
 LEADER: *Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*
 ALL: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
 LEADER: *On the night before He died...*
 ALL: We remember His death.
 We proclaim His resurrection.
 We await His coming in glory.
 LEADER: *And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving...*
 ALL: **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 the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

SONGS FOR COMMUNION

Congregation

“Come And Mourn With Me A While”

Words by Frederick Faber; Music by Eric Ashley © 1999 Eric Ashley Music/CCLI# 136148

○ come and mourn with me a while, ○ come ye to the Savior’s side,
 ○ come, together let us mourn, Jesus our Lord is crucified.

Seven times He spake, seven words of love; and all three hours His silence cried
 For mercy on the souls of men; Jesus our Lord is crucified.

CHORUS: ○ love of God! ○ sin of man! In this dread act Your strength is tried;
 And victory remains with love; Jesus our Lord is crucified!

○ break, ○ break, hard heart of mine! Thy weak self-love and guilty pride;
 His Pilate and His Judas were: Jesus our Lord is crucified.

A broken heart, a fount of tears, ask, and they will not be denied;
 A broken heart, love’s cradle is: Jesus our Lord is crucified.

“Jesus, Thank You”

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The myst’ry of the cross I cannot comprehend, the agonies of Calvary.
 You the perfect holy One crushed Your Son
 Drank the bitter cup reserved for me.

CHORUS: Your blood has washed away my sin, Jesus, thank You.
 The Father’s wrath completely satisfied, Jesus, thank You.
 Once Your enemy now seated at Your table, Jesus, thank You.

By Your perfect sacrifice I’ve been brought near,
 Your enemy You’ve made Your friend. Pouring out the riches of Your glorious grace
 Your mercy and Your kindness know no end.

Lover of my soul, I want to live for You.



CLOSING HYMN

Congregation

“The Doxology”

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We do not leave worship in our own power. The benediction comes at the end of the service and is
 God’s blessing upon us as we leave the sanctuary and enter the world. It reminds us that we are
 being sent into the world in His power, with His watchful eyes upon us, and with His providential
 hand guiding us. Thanks be to God!

BENEDICTION

Welcome to Seven Rivers!

To all who are spiritually weak 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 whomsoever will come,
 this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome
 in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.



SRPC CORE VALUES

GOSPEL TRANSFORMATION

*In a world of brokenness, SRPC seeks to be a place
 where hearts and homes are healed by the love of God.*

MISSIONAL LIVING

*In a world of self-absorption, SRPC seeks to bless our world
 with deeds of compassion, mercy and grace.*

AUTHENTIC COMMUNITY

*In a world of disconnection, SRPC seeks to be a place
 of unusual devotion to one another.*

WORSHIP SERVICES

SATURDAY EVENING 6:00 P.M.

SUNDAY MORNING* 9:00 & 10:50 A.M.

*September - May

NURSERY LOCATIONS

Infants Room 400

1-Year-Olds Room 403

2 & 3-Year Olds Room 401

4-Year-Olds Room 402

CHILDREN’S CHURCH

Kindergarten through Second Grade Room 405

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Worship



SEVEN RIVERS
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WEEKEND SERVICES

March 1 & 2, 2008

For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus
 Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your
 sakes He became poor, so that you through His
 poverty might become rich.

II CORINTHIANS 8:9