

# THE WORSHIP OF GOD

July 27, 2008

10:30 A.M.

## PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

**Prelude:** *Hymn Medley* (Doris Campbell, piano)  
*Commitment Medley* (Inna Slusarenko, piano) arr. Owen Griffin

**Welcome and Announcements** Jim Forester, Ruling Elder / Shepherd

## CELEBRATING GOD'S GREATNESS

**\*Doxology:** No. 731 - Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow  
Dr. Carl Ashley, Choral Director

**\*Ascription of Praise:** Matthew 16:18b Rev. Lynn Downing, Senior Pastor

**\*Invocation and Lord's Prayer**

**\*Call to Worship:** *The Church* Mr. John Panico, Youth Ministry Intern

**Leader:** Jesus asked, "Who do you say that I am?" (Matt. 16:15)

**People:** Simon Peter replied, "You are the Christ,  
the Son of the living God." (Matt. 16:16)

**Leader:** Jesus answered him, "On this rock I will build my church,  
and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." (Matt. 16:18)

**People:** He gave pastors and teachers to equip the saints  
for the work of ministry for building up the body of Christ  
until we all attain ... the fullness of Christ. (Eph. 4:11-13)

**Leader:** Christ loved the church and gave Himself up for her,  
that He might sanctify her, ... so that He might present  
the church to Himself in splendor. (Eph. 5:25-26)

**People:** Built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets,  
Christ Jesus Himself being the cornerstone. (Eph. 2:20)

**ALL:** The church is His body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all. (Eph. 1:23)

**\*Praise Medley:** *The Church*

No. 347 - *The Church's One Foundation* (stzs 1, 4) Samuel Stone

No. 348 - *Jesus, with Thy Church Abide* (stzs 1, 2, 5) Thomas Pollock

No. 347 - *The Church's One Foundation* (stzs 5, 6) Samuel Stone

**\*Profession of Faith:** *The Heidelberg Catechism*

*Question 1. What is your only comfort in life and in death?*

*Answer. That I am not my own, but belong with body and soul, both  
in life and in death, to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ. He has fully  
paid for all my sins with His precious blood, and has set me free  
from all the power of the devil. He also preserves me in such a way  
that without the will of my heavenly Father not a hair can fall from  
my head; indeed, all things must work together for my salvation.  
Therefore, by His Holy Spirit He also assures me of eternal life and  
makes me heartily willing and ready from now on to live for Him.*

**Anthem:** *Though Troubles Assail us, the Lord Will Provide* Text: John Newton  
Composed for this occasion by Dr. Carl Ashley, commemorating Pastor Downing's 37-year ministry at LOPC  
(Katelyn Gocio, flute)

*Though troubles assail us and dangers affright,  
Though friends should all fail us and foes all unite,  
Yet one thing secures us, whatever betide,  
The promise assures us, "The Lord will provide."*

*The birds, without garner or storehouse are fed;  
From them let us learn to trust God for our bread.  
His saints what is fitting shall ne'er be denied  
So long as 'tis written, "The Lord will provide."*

*When Satan assails us to stop up our path,  
And courage all fails us, we triumph by faith.  
He cannot take from us, though oft he has tried,  
This heart-cheering promise, "The Lord will provide."*

*He tells us we're weak, our hope is in vain,  
the good that we seek we ne'er shall obtain,  
but when such suggestions, our graces have tried,  
this answers all questions, "The Lord will provide."*

*No strength of our own and no goodness we claim;  
Yet, since we have known of the Savior's great name,  
In this our strong tower for safety we hide:  
The Lord is our power, "The Lord will provide."*

## PRAYING FOR HIS CHURCH

**Congregational Meeting** - Dr. Larry Roff, (Associate Pastor), Moderator

**Gratitude** - Eph. 4:11 ... Gemma Kibben, Member

**Confidence** - Phil. 1:6 ... Sharon Virkler, Women's Ministry

**Protection** - Acts 20:28 ... Jay Myers, Clerk of Session

**Health** - 2 Tim. 1:6 ... Nancy Lee, Fan the Flame Team

**Guidance** - Psalm 48:13b-14 ... Carl Ashley, Pulpit Committee Member

## DEDICATING OUR LIVES

**Offertory:** *An Expression of Gratitude* (Phil. 1:3-6, 9-11) David Schwoebel  
(Quartet: Marie Ashley, Valerie Tate, Craig Tipton, Carl Ashley)

Please fill out Blue Cards in pews, and place them in the offering plates.

*I thank my God in all my remembrance of you. Always with joy in every  
prayer for you, I thank my God.*

*I thank my God for your fellowship in the gospel from the very first day  
'til now. And I am sure that He, who began a good work in you will bring it  
to completion at the day of Christ.*

*And this I pray, that your love may abound more and more in knowledge,  
in judgment, that you may approve what is excellent to the glory of God;  
that you may be pure and blameless, filled with the fruits of  
righteousness which comes through Christ Jesus.*

*I thank my God in all my remembrance of you. Always with joy in every  
prayer for you. I thank my God!*

**Prayer for Children's Church**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**\*Hymn:** *Before the Throne of God Above*

Charitie Lees Bancroft

PREACHING HIS WORD

**Scripture:** 2 Peter 3

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Sermon: "IN CLOSING"**

*Pastor Downing*

*Grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.*

**Prayer for Divine Blessing**

GOING FORTH TO SERVE

**\*Hymn:** No. 359 - *Blest Be the Tie that Binds*

*John Fawcett*

*Please leave Blue Cards in the bronze boxes at the exits if you have questions, requests, or comments.*

**\*Benediction**

**\*Postlude:** *If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee*

*Johan Sebastian Bach*

*Please join us in the Fellowship Hall after the morning service as we gather for a covered dish luncheon. Guests are welcome!*

*There will be NO evening service tonight, but these will resume next week with a new series of messages from Pastor Roff, as he begins a study of the growth of the church in the book of Acts.*

An excellent Bible study tool is just about to be released by publishers. The ESV (English Standard Version) is rapidly becoming the translation of choice in evangelical and reformed circles. It is being used by many PCA churches as the pew Bible and will become the translation used in all our denominational Sunday School curricula. A study Bible edition will be available this fall. With study notes, articles, charts, diagrams, and many other aids, this will likely become one of the most useful tools available for personal Bible study. A 35% pre-publication discount is being offered until this Thursday, July 31. You can place an order at Crossway Books website: [www.crossway.org/8SBPC](http://www.crossway.org/8SBPC) Using this link will result in the publisher contributing 5% of the order to the PCA.

SERMON NOTES

**"IN CLOSING"**

2 Peter 3:10-18

But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, in which the heavens will pass away with a roar and the elements will be destroyed with intense heat, and the earth and its works will be burned up.<sup>11</sup> Since all these things are to be destroyed in this way, what sort of people ought you to be in holy conduct and godliness,<sup>12</sup> looking for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be destroyed by burning, and the elements will melt with intense heat!<sup>13</sup> But according to His promise we are looking for new heavens and a new earth, in which righteousness dwells.<sup>14</sup> Therefore, beloved, since you look for these things, be diligent to be found by Him in peace, spotless and blameless,<sup>15</sup> and regard the patience of our Lord as salvation; just as also our beloved brother Paul, according to the wisdom given him, wrote to you,<sup>16</sup> as also in all his letters, speaking in them of these things, in which are some things hard to understand, which the untaught and unstable distort, as *they do* also the rest of the Scriptures, to their own destruction.<sup>17</sup> You therefore, beloved, knowing this beforehand, be on your guard so that you are not carried away by the error of unprincipled men and fall from your own steadfastness,<sup>18</sup> but grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To Him be the glory, both now and to the day of eternity. Amen.

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I will build my church,  
and the gates of hell  
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against it!*

Matthew 16:18

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