

# THE COMMUNITY OF FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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## THE ORDER OF SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

February 21, 2010

11:00am

### THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

THE PRELUDE

Joanna Bailey

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTE FOR MISSION

+CALL TO WORSHIP

L- *You who live in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty, will say to the Lord,*

P- **"My refuge and my fortress; my God, in whom I trust."**

+HYMN OF PRAISE On Eagle's Wings (see insert)

Congregation responds after verses

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Great and loving God, sadly, we have failed to do what we ought to do, We say things we do not mean and do things we wish we had not done. Anger drives us to hurt and to be hurt. We pray that you will help us to be faithful, to do the right thing. We pray for peace within, for something we feel can propel us into righteousness and faithful living. We pray that we can find in your peace the fire that illuminates your way and warms our souls so that we can be forever done with the fire that scars and destroys. Forgive us for the times we choose ignorance and destruction over illumination and peace.

SILENT PERSONAL CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*(after Psalm 86:8, 10, 12, and 15)*

L- *There is none like you among the gods, O Lord, nor are there any works like yours. For you are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God.*

P- **Great is your steadfast love toward me; you have delivered my soul from the depths of hell. You O Lord are merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

*L-It is from all of this that you have given us Jesus Christ and sent Holy Spirit to be with us all our days and in whose name I can proclaim, your sins are forgiven.*

HYMN OF RESPONSE STF 2140 Since Jesus Came Into My Heart

Vs 1,2,3

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

*The people may move about the sanctuary offering and receiving the peace of Jesus Christ from each other.*

A SOLO Anji Hurt

A PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God of grace, we seek your holy and blessed Word. Give us open hearts to receive it and open minds to understand it. Give us a questing soul, O God and the will to continue in your name. Amen

A LESSON FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT Deuteronomy 30:11-20

A LESSON FROM THE EPISTLE Romans 10:5-13

THE SERMON The Next Level

Rev. Don Smith

+ HYMN 2223 They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love

+THE CREED

*from the Confession of 1967*

Wise and virtuous people through the ages have sought the highest good in devotion to freedom, justice, peace, truth, and beauty. Yet all human virtue, when seen in the light of God's love is found to be infected by self-interest and hostility. All people-- good and bad-- alike, are in the wrong before God and helpless without his forgiveness. Thus everyone falls under God's judgment. No one is more subject to that judgment than the one who assumes that he or she is guiltless before God or morally superior to others.

ANTHEM

THE SERVICE OF GIVING

The Prayer of Dedication

Signing the Friendship Register

Offertory

+THE DOXOLOGY

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

+HYMN STF 2224 Make Us One

+THE CHARGE

**M-** *"You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven."*

+THE BENEDICTION

+ THE POSTLUDE

+ All who are able may stand

\**Sing the Faith* (STF) is the supplemental hymnal in the pew rack.