

# **ORDER OF WORSHIP SERVICE**

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**THE LORD'S DAY OF SEPTEMBER 4,  
THE YEAR OF OUR LORD 2011  
9:30 AM**

“But the LORD is in his holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before him.”  
(Habakkuk 2:20)

## WE PREPARE TO MEET WITH GOD

Welcome

Preparatory Devotional

Quiet Prayer

Asterisks (\*) denote portions for congregation to stand.  
Unless otherwise stated, all Scripture quotations are from the English Standard Version (ESV).  
Congregational readings are in **bold**.

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## GOD SUMMONS US INTO HIS PRESENCE

The Greeting of God

The Call to Worship: *Psalm 135:1-4*

<sup>1</sup>Praise the LORD! Praise the name of the LORD, give praise, O servants of the LORD, <sup>2</sup>who stand in the house of the LORD, in the courts of the house of our God! <sup>3</sup>Praise the LORD, for the LORD is good; sing to his name, for it is pleasant! <sup>4</sup>For the LORD has chosen Jacob for himself Israel as his own possession.

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S SUMMONS

\*Hymn of Praise: *Trinity Hymnal 731, "Doxology"*

\*Opening Prayer

\*Hymn of Praise: *Trinity Hymnal 12, "Exalt the Lord, His Praise Proclaim"*

## GOD DECLARES HIS LAW

Reading of the Law: *Matthew 6:19-21*

<sup>19</sup>Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, <sup>20</sup>but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. <sup>21</sup>For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S LAW

Silent Prayer of Confession

Confession of Sin (Unison):

**Heavenly Father, King of Glory,  
We have bowed to the glories of this age.  
We have worshiped the pleasures of this world.  
You have given us all good things for our enjoyment (1 Tim 6:17).  
But we have made them our gods.  
Forgive us, Father, when we let the things of this world consume us.  
Have mercy on us, Lord, when we allow earthly treasures to turn us**

from your Kingdom.  
Through the grace of Christ, free us from our slavery to earthly things.  
In breaking this law, we have broken all your laws (Jas 2:10).  
Forgive us, O God, for our sin.

## GOD DECLARES HIS GOSPEL

Reading of the Gospel: *1 Thessalonians 5:9-10*

<sup>9</sup>For God has not destined us for wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>10</sup>who died for us so that whether we are awake or asleep we might live with him.

Confession of the Gospel (Unison):

**Dear heavenly Father, we receive and rest on Christ Jesus alone for righteousness, holiness, and eternal life.**

Assurance of Pardon: *Romans 6:1-4*

<sup>1</sup>What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? <sup>2</sup>By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? <sup>3</sup>Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? <sup>4</sup>We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

## WE RESPOND TO THE GOSPEL

\*Hymn of Thanksgiving: *Trinity Hymnal 4, "All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above"*

## GOD TEACHES US HIS WORD

Reading of the Word of God: *Joshua 5:2-9*

<sup>2</sup>At that time the LORD said to Joshua, "Make flint knives and circumcise the sons of Israel a second time." <sup>3</sup>So Joshua made flint knives and circumcised the sons of Israel at Gibeath-haaraloth. <sup>4</sup>And this is the reason why Joshua circumcised them: all the males of the people who came out of Egypt, all the men of war, had died in the wilderness on the way after they had come out of Egypt. <sup>5</sup>Though all the people who came out had been circumcised, yet all the people who were born on the way in the wilderness after they had come out of Egypt had not been circumcised. <sup>6</sup>For the people of Israel walked forty years in the wilderness, until all the nation, the men of war who came out of Egypt, perished, because they did not obey the voice of the LORD; the LORD swore to them that he would not let them see the land that the LORD had sworn to their fathers to give to us, a land flowing with milk and honey. <sup>7</sup>So it was their children, whom he raised up in their place, that Joshua circumcised. For they were uncircumcised, because they had not been circumcised on the way. <sup>8</sup>When the circumcising of the whole nation was finished, they remained in their places in the camp until they were healed. <sup>9</sup>And the LORD said to Joshua, "Today I have rolled away the reproach of Egypt from you." And so the name of that place is called Gilgal to this day.

Prayer for Understanding

Preaching of the Word of God:

“No More Shame”—Pastor Christopher Seah

Hymn of Preparation: *Trinity Hymnal 244: “He Was Wounded for Our Transgressions”*

Words of Preparation

Prayer of Preparation

Partaking of the Lord’s Table

## **WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD**

Hymn of Response: *Trinity Hymnal 461: “Not What My Hands Have Done”*

A Prayer of Response

Thanksgiving

Providence Reformed Presbyterian Church

The Republic of Singapore

The Holy Church of Jesus Christ

The Offering

\*The Confession of Faith (Unison): *The Apostles’ Creed*

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;**

**who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,**

**born of the Virgin Mary,**

**suffered under Pontius Pilate,**

**was crucified, dead, and buried;**

**he descended into hell;**

**the third day he rose again from the dead;**

**he ascended into heaven,**

**and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;**

**from there he shall come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit;**

**the holy <sup>+</sup>catholic Church;**

*<sup>+</sup>catholic: universal*

**the communion of saints;**

**the forgiveness of sins;**

**the resurrection of the body;**

**and the life everlasting.**

**Amen.**

\*Hymn of Consecration: *Trinity Hymnal 589, “Fill Thou My Life, O Lord My God”*

## **GOD DISMISSES US WITH HIS BLESSINGS**

\*Benediction