

# ORDER OF WORSHIP SERVICE

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**THE LORD'S DAY OF SEPTEMBER 18,  
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: *Colossians 1:15-17*

<sup>15</sup>He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. <sup>16</sup>For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. <sup>17</sup>And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S SUMMONS

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

\*Opening Prayer

\*Hymn of Praise: *Trinity Hymnal 115, "All Creatures of Our God and King"*

## GOD DECLARES HIS LAW

Reading of the Law: *Matthew 6:25-33*

<sup>25</sup>"Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? <sup>26</sup>Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? <sup>27</sup>And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? <sup>28</sup>And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, <sup>29</sup>yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. <sup>30</sup>But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? <sup>31</sup>Therefore do not be anxious, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or

‘What shall we wear?’ <sup>32</sup>For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. <sup>33</sup>But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.

## **WE RESPOND TO GOD’S LAW**

Silent Prayer of Confession

Confession of Sin (Unison):

**Heavenly Father, King of Glory,  
How little we heed the words of your Son.  
How little we trust his wisdom.  
We are often anxious about our lives.  
Our hearts are gripped with fear for the future.  
By being anxious for our lives,  
we have exalted our fears above you.  
By allowing our fears to rule us,  
we have bowed to idols.  
In breaking this law, we have broken all your laws (Jas 2:10).  
Dear Father, forgive us for not trusting in your promises.  
Forgive us for not seeking first your Kingdom and righteousness.**

## **GOD DECLARES HIS GOSPEL**

Reading of the Gospel: *Titus 2:13-14*

<sup>13</sup>waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, <sup>14</sup>who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works.

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* 305, “*Arise, My Soul, Arise*”

## GOD TEACHES US HIS WORD

Reading of the Word of God: *Genesis* 1:26-28

<sup>26</sup>Then God said, “Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.”

<sup>27</sup>So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.

<sup>28</sup>And God blessed them. And God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth.”

Prayer for Understanding

Preaching of the Word of God:

“In our Image: Baptized Education”—Pastor Christopher Seah

## WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

Hymn of Response: *Trinity Hymnal* 122: “*God, All Nature Sings Thy Glory*”

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; *+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 644, "May the Mind of Christ My Savior"*

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

\*Benediction