

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

The beginning of the opening voluntary is a call to silent personal preparation for the worship of God.

GATHERING

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Contemplation Richard Purvis
Jeffrey DeVault, *organ*

INTROIT -- Adoro Te Devote St. Thomas Aquinas
see insert for lyrics and translation

Peter Bloom, Tom Boerth, Chris Burgher, Jim Furst
Jim Maule, John Swartzentruber, Ray Thompson
Chancel Choir Men's Ensemble

CALL TO WORSHIP Winnie Host

Leader: The Lord be with you.

***People:* And also with you.**

Leader: O Lord, you have searched us and known us.

***People:* You know when we sit down and when we rise up.
You discern our thoughts from far away.**

Leader: Such knowledge is too wonderful for us.

***People:* It is so high that we cannot attain it.**

Leader: Praise the Lord!

***People:* The Lord's name be praised!**

***HYMN** -- I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord #441

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (together) Lisa Day

O God, you have given us a firm foundation in Jesus Christ, yet we have chosen to build in other places. The things we have made are weak and unstable. The works of our hands crumble around us, and we realize that our best efforts are not good enough because sin is real and we are powerless before it. Forgive us for thinking we know best. Heal our pride and mend our broken values. Create within us hearts that seek your purposes, so that what we build may give you glory. In Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S PARDON

***RESPONSE** -- Spirit of the Living God Hymn #322

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

***THE PEACE**

OUR LIFE TOGETHER

THE WORD

ANTHEM -- Tantum Ergo - Pange Lingua St. Thomas Aquinas
see insert for lyrics and translation

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING -- Luke 14:25-33 (NT, p. 78)

PSALTER -- Psalm 139:1-6; 13-18 (OT, p. 577), *responsively*

A TIME WITH CHILDREN AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Children ages 4 through 8 may leave for Christian enrichment in the Lavender Room. We invite the older children to remain in worship.

***HYMN** -- Dear Lord and Father of Mankind #345

SECOND READING -- Jeremiah 18:1-11 (OT, p. 720)

Pastor: The Word of the Lord

***People:* Thanks be to God.**

SERMON -- Second Chances Richard Wohlschlaeger

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

OFFERING

OFFERTORY -- Victimae Paschali Wipo of Burgundy
see insert for lyrics and translation

***DOXOLOGY** Hymn tune #416

Glory be to our Creator, praise to our Redeemer Lord.

Glory be to our Sustainer, ever three and ever one.

As it was in the beginning, now and evermore shall be.

**All who are able, please stand.*

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *see insert*

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

Invitation

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Communion of the People

(Congregation sings the Taizé chant twice, then alternately with the cantors.)



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Eat this bread, drink this cup,
come to me and nev - er be hun - gry. Eat this bread,
drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst, *mf*

Prayer (together)

Most loving God – Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer – we give you thanks for this foretaste of your glory. Through Christ, and with all your saints, we offer ourselves and our lives to your service. Send us out in the power of your Spirit, to stand with you in your world. We ask this through Jesus Christ, the servant, our friend and brother. Amen.

SENDING

***HYMN** -- Lord, We Have Come at Your Own Invitation #516

***CHARGE AND BLESSING**

***CHORAL RESPONSE**

Benedictus (Canticum Zachariae) anonymous
see insert for lyrics and translation

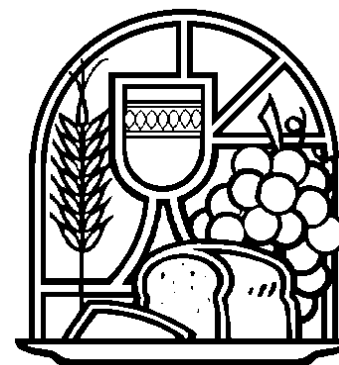
CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Fugue on the Kyrie François Couperin

The Swarthmore Presbyterian Church
Swarthmore, Pennsylvania

September 5, 2010
10:15 a.m.

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



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