

**PROSPECT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
ORDER FOR WORSHIP
SEPTEMBER 23, 2018**

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude **Largo** **G.F. Handel**

Greeting

God is good.
All the time.
And all the time.
God is good.

Call To Worship

Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.
God's steadfast love endures forever.
The last are first in the realm of God;
the least are welcomed in Jesus' name.
Let us worship God.

***Hymn #7 Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth**

**1. Mothering God, you gave me birth
in the bright morning of this world.
Creator, source of every breath,
you are my rain, my wind, my sun.**

**grain of life, and grape of love,
your very body for my peace.**

**2. Mothering Christ, you took my form,
offering me your food of light,**

**3. Mothering Spirit, nurturing one,
in arms of patience hold me close,
so that in faith I root and grow
until I flower, until I know.**

***Call to Confession**

***Confession of Sin**

God, hope is ever with us, love is ever present, the truth that we are all the children of God is all around us. And yet we so often live our days as if none of this is true, as if we had no hope. Forgive us and remind us today of who we are, who you are, and of where we live. Amen.

***Words of Grace**

...In Jesus Christ you are forgiven.
Thanks be to God.

***The Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

(A sign of peace is exchanged.)

***Response: Peace Be With You**(music on insert)

**Ji-jo-ho ni tin.
Ji-jo-ho ni tin,
po-ome-po-po, a-men,
po-ome-po-po, a-men.**

**Peace be with you.
Peace be with you,
and with all of us, amen
and with all of us, amen.**

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD**Prayer for Illumination****First reading: James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a**

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The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God

Children's Chat

Rita Boyer, Certified Christian Educator

Second reading: Mark 9:30-37

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Sermon*Welcome Children*

Rev. Dr. Rick Boyer

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD***Hymn #188 Jesus Loves Me**

**1. Jesus loves me! This I know,
for the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to him belong.
They are weak, but he is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me!
The Bible tells me so.**

**2. Jesus loves me! This I know,
as he loved so long ago,
taking children on his knee,
saying, "Let them come to me."
Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me!
The Bible tells me so.**

***Affirmation of Faith- 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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;

he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Offering

Musical Offering

Dream On, Dream On
Chancel Choir

arr. Michael Burkhardt

***Praise God (Hymn #608)**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise Christ, all people here below;
praise Holy Spirit evermore;
praise Triune God, whom we adore.**

***Prayer of Dedication**

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

SENDING OUT IN GOD'S NAME

Sending the Church into Mission

The Mission of Prospect Church

To be a family in Christ reaching out to all with love, prayer, and service. Through worship, education, mission, and fellowship, we experience God's love, forgiveness, grace, and call.

***Hymn #727 Will You Let Me Be Your Servant**

1. Will you let me be your servant,
let me be as Christ to you?
Pray that I may have the grace
to let you be my servant too.

2. We are pilgrims on a journey;
we're together on the road.
We are here to help each other
walk the mile and bear the load.

3. I will hold the Christ-light for you
in the nighttime of your fear.
I will hold my hand out to you,
speak the peace you long to hear.

4. I will weep when you are weeping;
when you laugh I'll laugh with you.
I will share your joy and sorrow
till we've seen this journey through.

5. When we sing to God in heaven,
we shall find such harmony,
born of all we've known together
of Christ's love and agony.

6. Will you let me be your servant,
let me be as Christ to you?
Pray that I may have the grace
to let you be my servant too.

***Benediction and Congregational Response-Hymn #515 I Come With Joy v. 5**

5. Together met, together bound
by all that God has done,
we'll go with joy, to give the world
the love that makes us one,
the love that makes us one.

Postlude