

PROSPECT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

ORDER FOR WORSHIP

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GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude

Greeting

God is good.

All the time.

And all the time.

God is good.

Call To Worship

God's steadfast love extends to the heavens,

God's faithfulness to the clouds.

Lectern Side: God's righteousness is like the mighty mountains,

All: God's judgments are like the great deep.

Pause.

One: How precious is your steadfast love, O God!

All people may take refuge in the shadow of God's wings.

Pulpit Side: They feast on the abundance of God's house, and drink from the river of God's delights.

God is the fountain of life; in God's light we see the light.

Let us worship God.

***Hymn #137 From All The Dwell Below The Skies**

1. From all that dwell below the skies

let the Creator's praise arise:

Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Let the Redeemer's name be sung
through every land, in every tongue.**

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Alleluia! Alleluia!

2. In every land begin the song;

to every land the strains belong:

Alleluia! Alleluia!

In cheerful sound all voices raise

and fill the world with joyful praise.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Alleluia! Alleluia!

3. Eternal are thy mercies, Lord;

eternal truth attends thy word:

Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Thy praise shall sound from shore to
shore,**

till suns shall rise and set no more.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Call to Confession**Confession of Sin**

God of water, wind, spirit, and light, we come before you today asking for your mercy to be poured out on our lives, for the times when we have not sought you in unexpected places, or the expected places. When we are infrequent in our study of your word, when we are impatient in our times of prayer, when we rarely prioritize Christian fellowship and Christian service, forgive us we pray. Lead us back into the familiar rhythms of worship, scripture reading, prayer, fellowship, and service. Then, leave our hearts open to seeing you, hearing you, and meeting you in unexpected ways. 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**

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: Isaiah 62:1-5**

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The word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God

Children's Chat

Matthew Coyle

Second reading: John 2:1-11

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Sermon*Why the Wedding in Cana?*

Matthew Coyle

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*Hymn #477 Thy Mercy and Thy Truth, O Lord

1. Thy mercy and thy truth, O Lord,
transcend the lofty sky;
thy judgments are a mighty deep,
and as the mountains high.

2. Lord, all thy creatures thou wilt save.
Since thou art ever kind,
beneath the shadow of thy wings
we may a refuge find.

3. With the abundance of thy house
we shall be satisfied;
from rivers of unfailing joy
our thirst shall be supplied.

4. The fountain of eternal life
is found alone with thee.
And in the brightness of thy light
we clearly light shall see.

5. From those that know thee, may thy
love
and mercy ne'er depart,
and may thy justice still protect
and bless the upright heart.

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

*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 and Lord's Prayer

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 #339 Lift Every Voice

**1. Lift every voice and sing till earth and heaven ring,
ring with the harmonies of liberty.
Let our rejoicing rise high as the listening skies;
let it resound loud as the rolling sea.
Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us;
sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us.
Facing the rising sun of our new day begun,
let us march on, till victory is won.**

**2 Stony the road we trod, bitter the chastening rod,
felt in the days when hope unborn had died.
Yet, with a steady beat, have not our weary feet
come to the place for which our parents sighed?
We have come over a way that with tears has been watered;
we have come, treading our path through the blood of the slaughtered,
out from the gloomy past, till now we stand at last
where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.**

**3 God of our weary years, God of our silent tears,
thou who hast brought us thus far on the way;
thou who hast by thy might led us into the light,
keep us forever in the path, we pray.
Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met thee;
lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we forget thee;
shadowed beneath thy hand may we forever stand,
true to our God, true to our native land.**

***Benediction and Congregational Response**

Hymn #399 God Welcomes All

**God welcomes all,
strangers and friends;
God's love is strong
and it never ends.**

Postlude