### **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

January 14, 2018

#### Prelude

# **Call to Worship**

# Hymn of Praise | "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

Affirmation of FaithThe Heidelberg Catechism, Q. #27 & 28Minister: What do you understand by the providence of God?

- People: Providence is the almighty and ever present power of God by which he upholds, as with his hand, heaven and earth and all creatures, and so rules them that leaf and blade, rain and drought, fruitful and lean years, food and drink, health and sickness, prosperity and poverty–all things, in fact, come to us not by chance but from his fatherly hand.
- Minister: How does the knowledge of God's creation and providence help us?
- People: We can be patient when things go against us, thankful when things go well, and for the future we can have good confidence in our faithful God and Father that nothing will separate us from his love. All creatures are so completely in his hand that without his will they can neither move nor be moved.

## "King of Love"

### **Call to Confession**

Titus 2:11-14

Minister: For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age, waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, 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.

Public ConfessionPrayer of Confession from the 31st General Assembly of the PCAMinister:Let us confess our sins together.

All: O Lord, how can we stand before you with our numberless and aggravated offenses? We have taken your grace for granted; it has failed to stun us today. We have arrogantly believed that we deserved your grace and thus have mocked your gospel. We have run after vain idols and thus forsaken your sufficiency. We have not loved your church that you bought with your own blood. Forgive us, Lord. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not interceded for the world around us. We have failed to be your priests and we have broken your covenant. Lord, it is only because of your compassions through Jesus Christ that we are not consumed. Lead us to repentance and save us from despair. Lord, we have no excuse, but we do have Jesus who has become sin for us so that, in him, we might become the righteousness of God. Help us to believe the gospel for your glory!

**Silent Confession** 

# Assurance of Pardon and Comfort

Minister: This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Hear and receive the good news of the gospel: in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

People: Thanks be to God!

"One Thing Remains"

(8:30 am) Pastoral Prayer

(8:30 am) The Lord's Prayer

(11:15 am) Celebration of Baptism

Tithes and Offerings

Musical Offering | Worship Choir | "Holy Is He"

The Doxology

**Prayer of Dedication** 

Sermon "The Promise of God's Presence" *Matthew 28:16-20* José Portillo

Closing Song | "Jesus I My Cross Have Taken"

Benediction

Postlude

Dylan Thomas Murphy

#### 1 John 1:5, 9