

New St. Peter's Presbyterian Church
Celebration of Worship
July 8, 2018

Striking of the Hour *“How Firm a Foundation”*

Call to Worship (Psalm 111)

Let us give thanks to the LORD with our whole hearts, in the company of the upright, in the congregation of His Church!

Liturgy of the Word (Psalms 111, 92, and 95)

Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them! **For You, O LORD, have made us glad by Your work! At the works of Your hands we sing for joy!** It is good to give thanks to the LORD, to sing praises to the name of the Most High. **Therefore, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker.**

Invocation

The Lord's Prayer (Matthew 6)

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name.
Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we also forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever.
Amen.**

Hymn: *“Praise to the Lord the Almighty”*

Hymn: *“Psalm 146: Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah”*

Confession of Sin and Plea for Pardon (Psalm 111 and Ephesians 4)

O LORD, our God and Father, Your majesty and righteousness endure forever for You are faithful to never change. **Yet the thoughts of our minds, the affections of our hearts, and the way of our feet shift like shadows during the day. Our faith in who You are and what You have done can be tossed by the waves of changing social morality and peer pressure. We too often consider our devotion to living according to the Law You have spoken and the law You have placed in nature, as negotiable with**

our culture. Protecting our image, social standing, and incomes tempt us to abandon faithfulness to Your truth. Forgive our fickle hearts and the unsteadiness of our faith. Restore unto us a love for You and Your righteousness through the work of Jesus, the Righteous One.

Worshippers may continue to confess their sins in silence.

Assurance of Pardon (Psalm 111 and Romans 3)

Church, the LORD has sent redemption to His people and has commanded His covenant forever. **In Jesus, our God has shown Himself faithful and just while being gracious and merciful. We are justified by God's grace through the redemption that is in the sacrifice of Christ Jesus. His death and resurrection was to show the righteousness of God so that He might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus. Amen.**

New Testament Reading

A reading from Revelation: In his vision the apostle hears the angels singing praise to God for His deeds, His ways and His acts. (Revelation 15:3-4)

Sharing the Peace of Christ

May the peace of the Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Doxology *"How Firm a Foundation"*

Sermon: *"About God"* (Psalm 111)

Hymn: *"The Love of Christ is Rich and Free"*

Hymn: *"Amazing Grace"*

Parting Liturgy (Psalm 111)

Beloved, the fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom. **All those who practice it have a good understanding. His praise endures forever!**

Benediction (Luke 1)

For the Mighty One has done great things for us and holy is His name! May His mercy be upon you who fear Him from generation to generation!

Come quickly, Lord Jesus! Amen.