

Christians who are no longer sure that God loves and accepts them in Jesus, apart from their present spiritual achievements, are subconsciously radically insecure persons—must less secure than non-Christians, because they have too much light to rest easily under the constant bulletins they receive from their Christian environment about the holiness of God and the righteousness they are supposed to have. Their insecurity shows itself in pride, a fierce defensive assertion of their own righteousness and defensive criticism of others. They come naturally to hate other cultural styles and other races in order to bolster their own security and discharge their suppressed anger. They cling desperately to legal, pharisaical righteousness, but envy, jealousy and other branches on the tree of sin grow out of their fundamental insecurity [the rejection of the righteousness of Jesus Christ].

Richard F. Lovelace, *The Dynamics of Spiritual Life*

## *Order of Worship*

### *February 10, 2013*

#### **Prelude**

SMC Music Team

#### **Welcome and Announcements**

### *Celebrating His Presence*

#### **Preparation for Worship**

#### **Call to Worship**

### ***Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven***

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven, to His feet thy tribute bring;  
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, who, like me, His praise should sing?  
Praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, praise Him,  
Praise the everlasting King.

Praise Him for His grace and favor to our fathers in distress;  
Praise Him, still the same forever, slow to chide, and swift to bless;  
Praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, praise Him,  
Glorious in His faithfulness.

Fatherlike, He tends and spares us; well our feeble frame He knows;  
In His hands He gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes;  
Praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, praise Him,  
Widely as His mercy goes.

Angels, help us to adore Him, Ye behold Him face to face;  
Sun and moon bow down before Him, dwellers all in time and space,  
Praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, praise Him,  
Praise with us the God of grace.

#### **Invocation**

#### **A Gospel Moment**

#### **The Prayer of Confession and Repentance**

Eternal God, Lover of the loveless, it is Your will that we should love You with all of our heart, mind and strength, and that we should love our neighbor as ourselves. But we are not sufficient for these things. By nature, our every affection is turned away from You, and we are bound, slaves to our lusts and evil desires, until You set us free. Have mercy on us, because of Christ. We know that because of His sacrifice, You accept as Your children those who do not deserve even a taste of Your mercy. Cleanse us from our destructive ways, turn our hearts to Your will, and make Your commandments the joy of our souls. Teach us to walk in the right way, and give us the strength to persevere in doing good. Make us like Jesus, that His glory may be seen in all we do, to the praise of Your glorious grace.

## **Assurance of Pardon**

*People:* Thanks be to God!

### ***Think About His Love***

Think about His love, think about His goodness,  
Think about His grace that's brought us through.

For as high as the heavens above,  
So great is the measure of our Father's love.  
Great is the measure of our Father's love.

*(repeat)*

## **The Blessing**

*Minister:* The grace of God be with you.

*People:* And also with you.

## **Baptism of Covenant Children**

Madilyn, Katherine and Charlotte McNeil

## **Greeting One Another in the Name of the Lord**

## ***Experiencing Renewal***

### ***You Are High and Lifted Up***

There is no glory in my own wisdom;  
There is no power in my own strength;  
There is no might in my own riches,  
But I will boast in knowing You.

For You are high and lifted up, the glory of the nations,  
You are high and lifted up, the Lord of all the earth,  
You are high and lifted up, Creator, Redeemer,  
And I will boast in knowing You.

### ***O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus***

O the deep, deep love of Jesus! Vast, unmeasured, boundless, free;  
Rolling as a mighty ocean in its fullness over me.  
Underneath me, all around me, is the current of Thy love;  
Leading onward, leading homeward, to Thy glorious rest above.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus! Spread His praise from shore to shore;  
How He loveth, ever loveth, changeth never, nevermore;  
How He watches o'er His loved ones, died to call them all His own;  
How for them He intercedeth, watcheth o'er them from the throne.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus! Love of ev'ry love the best:  
'Tis an ocean vast of blessing, 'tis a haven sweet of rest.  
O the deep, deep love of Jesus! 'tis a heav'n of heav'ns to me;  
And it lifts me up to glory, for it lifts me up to Thee.

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Song of Preparation to Hear God's Word**

*(Children ages 4-6 may be dismissed for Children's Church during song)*

***His Love Can Never Fail***

I do not ask to see the way my feet will have to tread;  
But only that my soul may feed upon the living Bread.  
'Tis better far that I should walk by faith close to His side;  
I may not know the way I go, but, oh, I know my Guide. *(chorus)*

*Chorus:* His love can never fail, His love can never fail,  
My soul is satisfied to know His love can never fail.  
My soul is satisfied to know His love can never fail.

And if my feet would go astray, they cannot for I know  
That Jesus guides my falt'ring steps, as joyfully I go.  
And though I may not see His face, my faith is strong and clear,  
That in each hour of sore distress my Savior will be near. *(chorus)*

I will not fear, though darkness come abroad o'er all the land,  
If I may only feel the touch of His own loving hand.  
And though I tremble when I think how weak I am, and frail,  
My soul is satisfied to know His love can never fail. *(chorus)*

*(last time repeat chorus)*

***Deepening Our Commitment***

**Preaching of the Word**

Tim Posey

Series: Gospel Renewal Principles

"Repentance as a Lifestyle"

Colossians 3:1-11

*Theme: All of life is repentance—not primarily for sins—but for our "righteousness"*

Introduction:

I. Identifying Our Idols

A. Dismantling Our Idols

A. Believing the Gospel

Conclusion:

## Receiving of Tithes and Offerings

## Song of Response

### *Amazing Love!*

My Lord, what love is this that pays so dearly;  
That I, the guilty one may go free? (*chorus*)

And so they watched Him die despised, rejected;  
But O, the blood He shed flowed for me. (*chorus*)

And now this love of Christ shall flow like rivers;  
Come wash your guilt away, live again.

*Chorus:* Amazing love, O what sacrifice,  
The Son of God, giv'n for me;  
My debt He pays and my death He dies,  
That I might live, that I might live.

*(last time repeat chorus)*

That I might live.

## Communion

## Benediction