

# Order for the Worship of God

+HYMN

*O, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

Highland Presbyterian Church

+CALL TO CONFESSION

5th Sunday after Epiphany

February 8, 2015

+TIME OF SILENT CONFESSION

## Gathering around THE WORD

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION

PRELUDE

Dr. Kit Loong Yee (Raymond)

*During the playing of the Prelude, may you hear the Lord  
in the stillness of this room, in the calming of your mind,  
in the longing of your heart.*

**God our Creator,  
we confess that we are broken, sinful creatures.**

**We trust in our own power  
when you promise to be our strength.**

**We exploit the poor and weak**

Tom Tucker **when you promise them salvation.**

**Forgive us, God of grace.**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CENTERING SONG

*Spirit of the Living God*

Hymn 322 **Teach us to rely on you alone**

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Dr. Alan Cutter

**and to give ourselves freely for others**

**for the sake of your good news;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Have you not known? Have you not heard?

**Jesus heals the sick and helps the poor.**

Have you not known? Have you not heard?

**The one we have searched for is here.**

+ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Those who trust in the Lord will renew their strength.

They will rise up to fly like eagles,

they will run and not be weary,

they will walk and not grow faint.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

**Thanks be to God.**

OPENING PRAYER

**Holy One, source of all healing and hope,**

**see how everyone is searching for you.**

**Come, take us by the hand**

**and lift us up so that we may serve you in freedom and joy;**

**through Jesus Christ, Sovereign and Savior. Amen.**

+THE PEACE

Since God has forgiven us in Christ,

let us forgive one another.

The grace and peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

+At this sign, you are invited to rise in body or in spirit.

**Bold: all people respond**

Offer the sign of Christ to one another in word, handshake, hug, c

## Proclaiming THE WORD

SCRIPTURE 1 Corinthians 9:16-23

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE Mark 1:29-39

SERMON “STOP, PRAY, & ACT”

## Responding to THE WORD

+HYMN *Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us*

+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH from *A Brief Statement of Faith*

**In life and death we belong to God.  
Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit,  
we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel,  
whom alone we worship and serve.**

**We trust in Jesus Christ,  
fully human, fully God.**

**We trust in God,  
whom Jesus called Abba, Father.**

**We trust in God the Holy Spirit,  
everywhere the giver and renewer of life.**

**With believers in every time and place,  
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death  
can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

Dr Tom Tucker OFFERING OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY Dr. Kit Loon

+DOXOLOGY *To God Be the Glory*  
(first verse)

Hymn 387  
+PRAYER OF DEDICATION

## Bearing and Following THE WORD into th

+HYMN *We Are One in the Spirit*

+BENEDICTION

+SENDING SONG *Song of Hope*

+POSTLUDE Dr. Kit Loon