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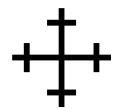
**Blessing & Honor & Glory & Power**

Horatius Bonar (1808-1889)

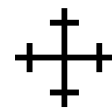
La Feillée's *Méthode du plain-chant*, 1808  
O QUANTA QUALIA

Bles - sing and ho - nor and glo - ry and po - wer, Wis - dom and rich - es and  
 Sound - eth the heav'n of the heav'ns with his Name; Ring - eth the earth with his  
 Ev - er as - cend - eth the song and the joy; Ev - er des - cend - eth the  
 Give we the glo - ry and praise to the Lamb; Take we the robe and the  
 strength e - ver - more Give ye to him who our bat - tle hath won  
 glo - ry and fame; O - cean and moun - tain, stream, for - est, and flow - er  
 love from on high; Bles - sing and hon - or and glo - ry and praise,  
 harp and the palm; Sing we the song of the Lamb that was slain,  
 Whose are the king - dom, the crown, and the throne.  
 Ech - o his prais - es and tell of his pow - er.  
 This is the theme of the hymns that we raise.  
 Dy - ing in weak - ness, but ris - ing to reign. A - men.

**Benediction:**



**T**HE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the  
 love of God our Father and the fellowship of  
 the Holy Spirit be with you now and always.



All: Amen.

**Postlude:**

*String Quartet Opus 77 No. 1 in G*

Joseph Haydn (1732-1809)

Atlas  
String  
Quartet

IV. Finale - Presto

*Please remain quietly seated until the officers make their way to the Narthex, where they will greet the  
 Congregation.*



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**F**ounding

**S**ervice

Saturday, February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2009, 3:00pm

**G**RACE & **P**EACE **P**RESBYTERIAN **C**HURCH

ORTHODOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

# Founding Service

## Prelude (2:30pm):

**String Quartet # 2 in A minor Opus 13**

*Please refrain from conversation.*

**Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)**

**Atlas  
String  
Quartet**

- I. Adagio - Allegro vivace
- II. Adagio non lento
- III. Intermezzo: Allegretto con moto
- IV. Presto - Adagio non lento

*Felix Mendelssohn, composer of the "Reformation" Symphony, was a committed Christian of the Reformed tradition, he inscribed his works with dedicatory prayers and his wife Cecile was the daughter of a Huguenot pastor.*

## Choral Introit: Grace & Peace from God Our Father (CATHEY)

**Text by Rev. Edd Cathey, music by Bernard Vallandingham III**

**Chamber  
Vocal  
Ensemble**

Grace and peace from God our Father  
and from Jesus Christ our Lord  
This the apostolic greeting  
Word from God whom we adore  
Grace our hope and grace our glory  
Peace is ours through Christ our Lord

Grace is all our hope and glory  
Not of works that we have done  
Peace is ours through Jesus' kindness,  
Jesus' cross our souls have won  
Grace our hope and grace our glory  
Peace is ours through Christ our Lord

Grace from God the Holy Spirit  
Peace and joy for evermore  
Faith the gift salvation bringing  
Peace and life forevermore  
Grace our hope and grace our glory  
Peace is ours through Christ our Lord

Glory unto God the Father  
Glory unto Christ his Son  
Glory to the Holy Spirit  
Ever three and ever One  
Grace and Peace his blessed greeting  
while eternal ages run

## Salutation

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

## Call to Worship

Praise the LORD! I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation. Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them. Full of splendor and majesty is his work, and his righteousness endures forever.

**All: Glory to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

★ - please stand as the music begins.

## Prayer for the whole Church

**The Installed Pastor**

Almighty and gracious God, you taught us to pray for ourselves and for others, and to give thanks for all of life. May every grace of ministry rest on these servants, keep them strong and faithful, that your church may prosper in peace. Grant them wisdom, courage, discretion, and benevolence, that they may fulfill their charge to the glory of Jesus Christ.

Bestow your grace on this people that they may support their pastor and officers with prayer, cooperation, and encouragement, to guard them from growing weary in doing what is right.

Inspire your whole church with your Spirit of power, unity, and peace. Grant that all who trust you may live together in love.

Lead all nations in the way of justice. Direct those who govern; may they do what is right, maintain order, and defend the oppressed, that the Word of God may have free course in every nation.

Give grace to all who proclaim the gospel through Word and sacrament and deeds of mercy, that by teaching and example others may find the way of life and peace through Jesus Christ our Savior, who taught us to pray:

**Our Father who art in heaven,  
Hallowed be thy name,  
Thy kingdom come,  
Thy will be done,  
On earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
And forgive us our sins,  
As we forgive those who sin against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
But deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory for ever and ever.  
Amen.**

## Offering: Before the Throne of God

**Arr. Dan Forrest**

**Grace & Peace  
Choir**

*Offering for the Grace & Peace Church Build-*

Before the throne of God above  
I have a strong, a perfect plea:  
A great High Priest, whose name is Love,  
Who ever lives and pleads for me.

My name is graven on his hands,  
My name is written on his heart;  
I know that while in heaven he stands  
No tongue can bid me thence depart  
No tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair,  
And tells me of the guilt within,  
Upward I look, and see him there  
Who made an end of all my sin.

Because a sinless Savior died,  
My sinful soul is counted free;  
For God, the Just, is satisfied  
To look on Him and pardon me  
To look on Him and pardon me.

Behold him there, the risen Lamb  
My perfect, spotless righteousness,  
The great unchangeable I am,  
The King of glory and of grace!

One in himself, I cannot die  
My soul is purchased by his blood  
My life is hid with Christ on high,  
With Christ, my Savior and my God  
With Christ, my Savior and my God.

# Charge to the Pastor

The Reverend Gerald Taylor

Pastors are called to build up Christ's church. They are to proclaim God's Word, to declare forgiveness through Jesus Christ, to call publicly on the name of the Lord on behalf of the whole congregation, to celebrate Christ's holy sacraments, baptizing and presiding at the Lord's Supper. They are to be pastors and teachers, sharing people's joys and sorrows, encouraging the faithful, recalling those who fall away, helping the sick and the dying. May you have grace to do these things in the power of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

# Sermon

The Reverend Steve Doe

## \*Congregational Hymn:

### Jesus with Thy Church Abide

Thomas B. Pollock

Bernard Vallandingham III  
POLLOCK

1. Je - sus with Thy Church a - bide  
 2. May her voice Thy be e - ver clear,  
 3. Keep her life and in doc - trine pure,  
 4. May she one in doc - trine be,

Be her Sa - vior, Lord and Guide  
 Warn - ing a judg - ment near,  
 Help her, pa - tient, to en - dure,  
 One in truth and cha - ri - ty,

While on earth her faith is tried:  
 Tell - ing of a Sa - vior dear:  
 Trust - ing in Thy pro - mise sure:  
 Win - ning all to faith in Thee:

We be - seech Thee hear us.

5. All that she has lost, restore,  
 May her strength and zeal be more  
 Than in brightest days of yore:  
 We beseech Thee, hear us.

7. May her lamp of truth be bright,  
 Bid hear bear aloft its light  
 Through the realms of heathen night:  
 We beseech Thee, hear us.

9. May she thus all glorious be,  
 Spotless and from wrinkle free,  
 Pure and bright, and worthy Thee:  
 We beseech Thee, hear us. *Amen.*

6. Raise her to her calling high,  
 Let the nations far and nigh  
 Hear Thy heralds' warning cry:  
 We beseech Thee, hear us.

8. May she holy triumphs win,  
 Overthrow the hosts of sin,  
 Gather all the nations in,  
 We beseech Thee, hear us.

## \*Congregational Hymn:

4th stanza unaccompanied

### Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Based on Psalm 103 & 150

Joachim Neander (1650-1680)  
LOBE DEN HERREN

Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre - a - tion!  
 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wond - rous - ly reign - eth,  
 Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy work and de - fend thee!  
 Praise to the Lord, who with mar - ve - lous wis - dom hath made thee,

O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and sal - va - tion!  
 Shel - ters thee un - der his wings, yea, so gen - tly sus - tain - eth!  
 Sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy here dai - ly at - tend thee;  
 decked thee with health, and with lov - ing hand guid - ed and stayed thee.

All ye who hear, now to his tem - ple draw near;  
 Hast thou not seen how thy de - sires e'er have been  
 pon - der a - new what the Al - might - y will do,  
 How oft in grief hath not he brought thee re - lief,

Praise him in glad a - dor - a - tion.  
 Grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?  
 if with his love he be - friend thee.  
 spread - ing his wings to o'er - shade thee! *Interlude*

Praise to the Lord, who, when tempests their warfare are waging,  
 Who, when the elements madly around thee are raging,  
 Biddeth them cease, turneth their fury to peace,  
 Whirlwinds and waters assuaging.

Praise to the Lord, who, when darkness of sin is abounding,  
 Who, when the godless do triumph, all virtue confounding,  
 Sheddeth his light, chaseth the horrors of night,  
 Saints with his mercy surrounding.

Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me adore him!  
 All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him.  
 Let the Amen sound from his people again,  
 Gladly for aye we adore him. *Amen.*

## Moderator of Presbytery:

The Presbytery of the Mid-Atlantic at its stated meeting in December of 2008 took the following actions:

Presbytery received and acted on the petition of the Grace and Peace Presbyterian Church, a mission; to be received as a particular church, to ordain and install men elected by the congregation to the offices of Elder and Deacon, and to approve the call of the Reverend Sidney Edd Cathey and install him as the first regular pastor of Grace and Peace.

### **Moderator's Question to the Members of Grace and Peace:**

In reliance upon God for strength do you solemnly promise to walk together as a church of Jesus Christ according to the Word of God and the constitution of the Orthodox Presbyterian Church?

### **Members of the Congregation:** (holding up their right hands shall answer) **“We do, Amen.”**

(After this the congregation shall be recognized as a new and separate church of the regional church and the officers shall be ordained and installed according to the Form of Government.)

## Moderator of Presbytery: Let us affirm our Christian faith by singing the

### Apostle's Creed

Early Baptismal Creed, 2nd cent.

Traditional English Melody  
arr. by R. Vaughan Williams, 1906  
KINGSFOLD



1 In \_\_\_ God, the Fa - ther I be - lieve, Al - might - y Lord\_\_ of all,  
2 Who \_\_\_ suf - ered when he stood con demned by\_\_\_ Pon - tius Pi - late's code,  
3 As - cend - ing in - to heav'n a - bove, he\_\_\_ sits on God's right hand;  
4 I\_\_\_ do be - lieve that all the saints must \_ now com - mune in love,



who \_\_\_ made the heav - ens and the earth: his\_\_\_ name be praised in awe.  
was \_\_\_ cru - ci - fied, was dead, as he him - self had long \_ for - told;  
from \_ there he shall re - turn to judge the\_\_\_ liv - ing and\_\_\_ the dead.  
and\_\_\_ that, re - deemed by Je - sus' blood, our\_\_\_ sins are par - doned us;



And \_\_\_ I be - lieve \_\_\_ in Je - sus Christ, the \_\_\_ Fa - ther's \_ on - ly Son,  
our \_\_\_ Lord was bur - ied in a tomb, de - scend - ed\_\_\_ in - to hell,  
In\_\_\_ God the Spir - it I be - lieve, who\_\_\_ guides a\_\_\_ ho - ly church,  
and \_\_\_ at life's end\_\_\_ my bod - y frail, up - raised from \_ earth - ly strife,



con - ceiv - ed by\_\_\_ the \_\_\_ Ho - ly Ghost, of\_\_\_ vir - gin Mar - y born;  
but \_ on the third day he a - rose a - gain on earth to dwell.  
the \_\_\_ u - ni - ver - sal\_\_\_ bod - y that vic - to - rious shall e - merge.  
is\_\_\_ res - ur - rect - ed\_\_\_ and re - newed in\_\_\_ ev - er - last - ing life. A - men!

## Moderator of Presbytery, to the Pastor-elect:

The Word of God clearly teaches that the office of minister was instituted by the Lord Jesus Christ. The apostle Paul declares that our Lord "gave some to be apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; for the perfecting of the saints, unto the work of ministering, unto the building up of the body of Christ."

The duties of the minister of Christ may briefly be set forth under the following heads: the faithful exposition of the Word of God and its application to the needs of the hearers, in order that the unconverted may be reconciled to God and that the saints may be built up in their most holy faith; the offering of prayer to the Lord on behalf of the congregation; the administration of the sacraments of baptism and the Lord's Supper; and the exercise, in conjunction with the ruling elders, of the government and discipline of the church.

The office of the minister is the first in the church for dignity and usefulness. The person who fills this office is designated in Scripture by different names expressive of his various duties. As he has the oversight of the flock of Christ, he is termed bishop. As he feeds them with spiritual food, he is termed pastor. As he serves Christ in his church, he is termed minister. As it is his duty to be grave and prudent, and an example to the flock, and to govern well in the house of God, he is termed presbyter or elder. As he is sent to declare the will of God to sinners, and to beseech them to be reconciled to God through Christ, he is termed ambassador. As he is commanded to warn the house of Israel against the enemies of God and his Word, he is termed watchman. And, as he dispenses the manifold grace of God and the ordinances instituted by Christ, he is termed steward of the mysteries of God.

- I. Are you now willing to take the charge of this congregation as its pastor, in agreement with your declaration when you accepted its call?
- II. Do you conscientiously believe and declare, as far as you know your own heart, that in taking upon you this charge you are influenced by a sincere desire to promote the glory of God and the good of his church?
- III. Do you solemnly promise that, by the assistance of the grace of God, you will endeavor faithfully to discharge all the duties of a pastor to this congregation, and will be careful to maintain a deportment in all respects becoming a minister of the gospel of Christ?

### **The Pastor: “Yes, with God’s help, Amen.”**

### Moderator to the Congregation:

- I. Do you, the people of this congregation, continue to profess your readiness to receive the Reverend Sidney Edd Cathey, whom you have called to be your minister?
- II. Do you promise to receive the word of truth from his mouth with meekness and love, and to submit to him in the due exercise of discipline?
- III. Do you promise to encourage him in his arduous labor and to assist his endeavors for your instruction and spiritual edification?
- IV. And do you promise to continue to him, while he is your pastor, that worldly maintenance which you have promised, and whatever else you may see needful for the honor of religion and his comfort among you?

### **Members of the Congregation:** (holding up their right hands shall answer)

**“We do, Amen.”**

**The Moderator:** I do hereby declare that the **Reverend Sidney Edd Cathey** is installed as the regular pastor of Grace and Peace Presbyterian Church.

## Moderator of Presbytery:

**I** now declare that **Eduardo Daniel Danganan, Allen James Morrissette,** and **Jon Hotchkiss Thompson** have been regularly elected, ordained, and installed to the office of elder; and that **William Lewis Breckinridge VII, Todd Raymond Everly,** and **Rufus Lee Sias** have been regularly elected, ordained, and installed to the office of deacon in this church, agreeably to the Word of God, and according to the constitution of the Orthodox Presbyterian Church; and that they are entitled to all that honor, encouragement, and obedience in the Lord to which their office entitles them.

## Charge to the Officers

The Reverend Richard Ellis

Past Regional Home Missionary

### \*Congregational Hymn:

6th stanza  
unaccompanied

Isaac Watts (1674-1748)  
Based on Psalm 90

## **G**od, Our Help in Ages Past

William Croft (1678-1727)  
ST. ANNE

O God, our help in a - ges past, Our hope for years to come,  
Un - der the shad - ow of thy throne Thy saints have dwelt se - cure;  
Be - fore the hills in or - der stood, Or earth re - ceived her frame,  
Thy Word com - mands our flesh to dust, "Re - turn, ye sons of men:"

Our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, And our e - ter - nal home.  
Suf - fi - cient is thine arm a - lone, And our de - fense is sure.  
From e - ver - last - ing thou art God, To end - less years the same.  
All na - tions rose from earth at first, And turn to earth a - gain.

5. A thousand ages in thy sight  
Are like an evening gone;  
Short as the watch that ends the night  
Before the rising sun.

6. The busy tribes of flesh and blood,  
With all their lives and cares,  
Are carried downwards by the flood,  
And lost in following years.

7. Time, like an ever rolling stream,  
Bears all its sons away;  
They fly, forgotten, as a dream  
Dies at the opening day.

### **Interlude**

8. O God, our help in ages past,  
Our hope for years to come,  
Be thou our guard while troubles last,  
And our eternal home. *Amen.*

**Missionary Pastor (Ordinands stand):** Fathers and brothers in God, The provisional Session of Grace and Peace Presbyterian mission Church presents unto the Presbytery of the Mid-Atlantic these men present, to be ordained to the offices of Elder and Deacon.

**Moderator of Presbytery:** Have you been careful that the persons, whom you present unto us, are qualified through their learning and godly life, to exercise these offices, to the honor of God, and the edifying of his Church.

**Missionary Pastor:** We have inquired concerning them, and also examined them, and think them so to be. The members of the congregation have chosen them according to the Form of Government.

## Scripture Readings

1 Timothy 3:1-13 and Hebrews 13:17

## Choral Offering: If Thou but Suffer God to Guide Thee

**Chamber  
Vocal  
Ensemble**

If thou but suffer God to guide thee  
And hope in him through all thy ways,  
He'll give thee strength, whate'er betide thee,  
And bear thee through the evil days.  
Who trusts in God's unchanging love  
Builds on the rock that naught can move.

All are alike before the Highest:  
'Tis easy for our God, we know,  
To raise thee up, though low thou liest,  
To make the rich man poor and low.  
True wonders still by him are wrought  
Who setteth up and brings to naught.

Sing, pray, and keep his ways unswerving,  
Perform thy duties faithfully,  
And trust his Word: though undeserving,  
Thou yet shalt find it true for thee.  
God never yet forsook in need  
The soul that trusted him indeed.

## The Nature & Scriptural Warrant

**Elder Fred Krieg**

**T**he office of ruling elder is based upon the kingship of our Lord Jesus Christ, who provided for his church officers who should rule in his name. Paul and Barnabas "appointed . . . elders in every church"; and Paul commanded that those who "rule well be counted worthy of double honor, especially those who labor in the word and in teaching." In this passage the Scriptures distinguish between elders who labor particularly in the Word and in doctrine—usually called ministers or pastors—and elders who join with the minister in the government and discipline of the church—generally called ruling elders.

It is the duty and privilege of ruling elders, in the name and by the authority of our ascended King, to rule over particular churches, and, as servants of our great shepherd, to care for his flock. Holy Scripture enjoins them: "Take heed unto yourselves, and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit hath made you bishops, to feed the church of God, which he purchased with his own blood." As a consequence, ruling elders must be zealous in maintaining the purity of the ministration of the Word and sacraments. They must conscientiously exercise discipline and uphold the good order and peace of the church. With love and humility they should promote faithfulness on the part of both elders and deacons in the discharge of their duties. Moreover, they should have particular regard to the doctrine and conduct of the minister of the Word, in order that the church may be edified, and may manifest itself as the pillar and ground of the truth.

If they are to fill worthily so sacred an office, ruling elders must adorn sound doctrine by holy living, setting an example of godliness in all their relations with men. Let them walk with exemplary piety and diligently discharge the obligations of their office; and "when the chief shepherd shall be manifested," they "shall receive the crown of glory that fadeth not away."

The office of deacon is based upon the solicitude and love of Christ for his own people. So tender is our Lord's interest in their temporal needs that he considers what is done unto one of the least of his brethren as done unto him. For he will say to those who have ministered to his little ones: "I was hungry, and ye gave me to eat; I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink; I was a stranger, and ye took me in; naked, and ye clothed me; I was sick, and ye visited me; I was in prison, and ye came unto me."

In the beginning the apostles themselves ministered to the poor, but subsequently, in order that they might be able to devote themselves wholly to prayer and the ministry of the Word, they committed that responsibility to others, having directed the people to choose men of good report, full of the Holy Spirit and of wisdom. Since the days of the apostles the church has recognized the care of the poor as a distinct ministry of the church committed to deacons.

The duties of deacons consist of encouraging members of the church to provide for those who are in want, seeking to prevent poverty, making discreet and cheerful distribution to the needy, praying with the distressed and reminding them of the consolations of Holy Scripture.

If they are to fill worthily so sacred an office, deacons must adorn sound doctrine by holy living, setting an example of godliness in all their relations with men. Let them walk with exemplary piety and diligently discharge the obligations of their office; and "when the chief shepherd shall be manifested," they "shall receive the crown of glory that fadeth not away."

May our Triune God strengthen you to serve well in the offices to which he has called you.  
*Amen.*

## Prayer

**Congregation: Almighty God, giver of all good things, who by your Holy Spirit appointed offices of service and rule in the Church; Mercifully look upon these your servants now called to the Offices of Elder and Deacon; and so replenish them with the truth of your Word, and adorn them with innocence of life, that, both by word and good example, they may faithfully serve you in their Office, to the glory of your Name, and the edification of your Church; through the merits of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, world without end. Amen.**

## Moderator to Ordinands:

- I. Do you believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the Word of God, the only infallible rule of faith and practice?
- II. Do you sincerely receive and adopt the Confession of Faith and Catechisms of this Church, as containing the system of doctrine taught in the Holy Scriptures?
- III. Do you approve of the government, discipline, and worship of the Orthodox Presbyterian Church?
- IV. Do you promise to seek the purity, the peace, and the unity of the church?
- V. Do you accept the office of Elder or Deacon in this congregation and promise, in reliance on the grace of God, faithfully to perform all the duties thereof?

**Answer: Yes, with God's help, Amen.**

**Moderator to Congregation:** Do you, the members of this church, acknowledge and receive these brothers as Elders and Deacons, and do you promise to yield them all that honor, encouragement, and obedience in the Lord, to which their office, according to the Word of God and the constitution of this Church, entitles them?

**Congregation (holding up their right hands shall answer): "We do, Amen."**

## Choral Offering: Locus Iste

*Anton Bruckner (1824-1896)*

**Chamber  
Vocal  
Ensemble**

<i>Locus Iste a Deo factus est,</i>	This place was made by God,
<i>Inaestimabile sacramentum,</i>	Inestimably holy
<i>Irreprehensibilis est</i>	It is without reproach

(Ministers and Elders should come to the chancel during this choral offering.)

## Ordination by the imposition of hands and prayer

*(the candidates shall kneel and be ordained by prayer and the imposition of hands to the office of elder or deacon. Elders and Pastors in sister reformed denominations are invited to take part in the imposition and prayers.) Each man shall receive the imposition and prayer*

## Each Leader in Ordaining Prayer:

Let us pray.

God of grace, pour out your Holy Spirit, gentle as a dove, burning as fire, upon Candidate (using first name only) and fill him with grace and power for this ministry of deacon/elder.

*(Additional praises and petitions for the ordinand may be added.)*

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**All: Amen.**