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PUBLIC WORSHIP *of* GOD

August 29, 2021
CityServe Sunday

WELCOME TO SECOND

- **Messenger:** The best way to find out what's going on at Second is to subscribe to our weekly email newsletter. To subscribe, simply scroll to the orange box at the bottom of our homepage and enter your name and email address—then watch for it to arrive in your inbox on Friday afternoons!
- Please take this order of worship with you as you exit. Hint: You can bring it back for worship this evening at 6:00! The order of worship for the evening service begins on page 7 of this booklet.
- **Nursery:** Our nursery is available for the 8:15 a.m. service and during the CC hour to ages three and under and for the 6:00 p.m. service to ages four and under. Pre-registration is no longer required.
- Visit 2pc.org/live for a livestream of all services.

MASK POLICY

In recent weeks, we have seen a steady increase in Covid-19 transmission, cases, and hospitalizations in our county caused by the Delta variant.

In an effort to relieve our overburdened healthcare system and workers, as well as to help protect our children and others who are not eligible for vaccination, we've made a change to our mask guidance. We are once again recommending that everyone above the age of 2 wear masks inside our buildings.

The CDC, our local health department, and medical professionals within our church family highly recommend universal indoor masking, regardless of vaccination status. Please join us in loving our neighbors in this tangible way.

In addition, social distancing between family units continues to be recommended. Every other pew in the back floor section of the Sanctuary will continue to be roped off for those who prefer greater distancing.

Morning Worship

8:15 & 11:00 a.m.

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SING LOUD OUR REDEEMER'S PRAISE

INSTRUMENTAL PRELUDE: "Concerto in D Major" (Allegro and Largo) Antonio Vivaldi

*String Quartet
Samuel Metzger, piano*

CALL TO WORSHIP Brian Lewis

♠HYMN OF PRAISE: No. 32 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" LOBE DEN HERREN

Words: Joachim Neander / Music: Stralsund Gesangburch; arr. Metzger / Psalm 103:1-2

**Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near, join me in glad adoration.**

**Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
Shelters thee under His wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!
Has thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been granted in what He ordaineth?**

**Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee!
Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee;
Ponder anew what the Almighty will do, if with His love He befriend thee.**

**Praise to the Lord, who with marvelous wisdom hath made thee,
Decked thee with health, and with loving hand guided and stayed thee.
How oft in grief hath not He brought thee relief, spreading His wings to o'ershade thee!**

**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 fore'er we adore Him.**

♠INVOCATION

♠EPISTLE LESSON: Colossians 1:15-20 Keusi Donald, *Economic Opportunities* (8:15)
Torrey Bates, *For the Kingdom* (11:00)

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation.

**For by him all things were created,
in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible,**

whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—
all things were created through him and for him.

**And he is before all things,
and in him all things hold together.**

And he is the head of the body, the church.

**He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead,
that in everything he might be preeminent.**

For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell,
and through him to reconcile to himself all things,

**whether on earth or in heaven,
making peace by the blood of his cross.**

✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE LIFT HIGH THE NAME OF JESUS

Words and Music: Keith and Kristyn Getty, Fionan de Barra, Ed Cash | Philippians 2:9-11

**Lift high the name of Jesus, of Jesus our King.
Make known the power of His grace, the beauty of His peace.
Remember how His mercy reached and we cried out to Him.
He lifted us to solid ground, to freedom from our sin.
Oh, sing my soul and tell all He's done
'Til the earth and heavens be filled with His glory.**

REST DEEPLY IN OUR REDEEMER'S GRACE

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Gracious heavenly Father,
You are compassionate to the lonely and oppressed.
You come to the rescue of the harassed and helpless.
Yet, we confess our reluctance
to imitate Your ways and engage Your mission.
Forgive us for being more apathetic than active,
isolated than involved, callous than compassionate,
obstinate than obedient, and legalistic than loving.
Pardon us for holding tightly to Your resources.
May the costly love of Jesus motivate us anew
to do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with You.
For we pray in the strong name of Jesus Christ our Lord.**

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON Ephesians 2:8-10

*For by grace you have been saved through faith.
And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God,
not a result of works, so that no one may boast.
For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works,
which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.*

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "Psalm 34 (Taste and See)" arr. Cymbala, Knight

Words and Music: Joe Rigney, Shane Barnard; arr. Carol Cymbala, Brian Knight / Psalm 34:1-22

I sought the Lord, and He answered me, and delivered me from every fear.
Those who look on Him are radiant; they'll never be ashamed.

This poor man cried, and the Lord heard me and saved me from my enemies;
The Son of God surrounds His saints; He will deliver them.

*Magnify the Lord with me.
Come exalt His name together (exhale His name).
Glorify the Lord with me.
Come exalt His name forever (exhale His name).*

Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good.
Oh, blessed is he who hides in Him.

Oh, fear the Lord, oh, all you saints.
He'll give you everything. He'll give you everything.

Let us bless the Lord every day and night;
Neverending praise, may our incense rise.

*Phillip Bond and Eric Hale, duet
The Chancel Choir
Calvin Ellis, director*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

VIDEO: A WORD TO THE CHILDREN Rev. Reginald J. Tucker
Orange Mound Outreach Ministries

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

A WORD ON CITYSERVE

A PRAYER FOR OUR MINISTRY PARTNERS *(See list of ministry partners on page 9.)*

ENTER INTO OUR REDEEMER'S MISSION

✦PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:
For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

HYMN OF PREPARATION: No. 421 "Jesus, I Come" JESUS, I COME TO THEE

Words: William Sleeper / Music: Greg Thompson; arr. Allen Tuten / John 8:36

Ephie Johnson, soloist:

Out of my bondage, sorrow, and night, Jesus, I come, Jesus I come;
Into Thy freedom, gladness, and light, Jesus, I come to Thee;
Out of my sickness into Thy health, out of my wanting and into Thy wealth,
Out of my sin and into Thyself, Jesus, I come to Thee.

✦ *Congregation stands and sings:*

**Out of my shameful failure and loss, Jesus, I come, Jesus I come;
Into the glorious gain of Thy cross, Jesus, I come to Thee;
Out of earth's sorrows into Thy balm, out of life's storms and into Thy calm,
Out of distress into jubilant psalm, Jesus, I come to Thee.**

**Out of unrest and arrogant pride, Jesus, I come, Jesus I come;
Into Thy blessed will to abide, Jesus, I come to Thee;
Out of myself to dwell in Thy love, out of despair into raptures above,
Upward forever on wings like a dove, Jesus, I come to Thee.**

**Out of the fear and dread of the tomb, Jesus, I come, Jesus I come;
Into the joy and light of Thy home, Jesus, I come to Thee;
Out of the depths of ruin untold, into the peace of Thy sheltering fold,
Ever Thy glorious face to behold, Jesus, I come to Thee.**

SCRIPTURE LESSON. Luke 19:10-24 (NASB)

¹⁰“For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost.” ¹¹Now while they were listening to these things, Jesus went on to tell a parable, because He was near Jerusalem and they thought that the kingdom of God was going to appear immediately. ¹²So He said, “A nobleman went to a distant country to receive a kingdom for himself, and then to return. ¹³And he called ten of his own slaves and gave them ten minas, and said to them, ‘Do business with this money until I come back.’ ¹⁴But his citizens hated him and sent a delegation after him, saying, ‘We do not want this man to reign over us.’ ¹⁵When he returned after receiving the kingdom, he ordered that these slaves, to whom he had given the money, be summoned to him so that he would learn how much they had made by the business they had done. ¹⁶The first slave appeared, saying, ‘Master, your mina has made ten minas more.’ ¹⁷And he said to him, ‘Well

done, good slave; since you have been faithful in a very little thing, you are to have authority over ten cities.’ ¹⁸The second one came, saying, ‘Your mina, master, has made five minas.’ ¹⁹And he said to him also, ‘And you are to be over five cities.’ ²⁰And then another came, saying, ‘Master, here is your mina, which I kept tucked away in a handkerchief; ²¹for I was afraid of you, because you are a demanding man; you take up what you did not lay down, and reap what you did not sow.’ ²²He said to him, ‘From your own lips I will judge you, you worthless slave. Did you know that I am a demanding man, taking up what I did not lay down, and reaping what I did not sow? ²³And so why did you not put my money in the bank, and when I came back, I would have collected it with interest?’ ²⁴And then he said to the other slaves who were present, ‘Take the mina away from him and give it to the one who has the ten minas.’”

The grass withers, the flower fades,
but the Word of our God will stand forever. (*Isaiah 40:8*)

SERMON: The Big Why Rufus Smith

We have been given 5 things to complete our Big Why:

- 1. Life
- 2. Opportunity
- 3. Time
- 4. Talent
- 5. Some Money

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

✦ BENEDECTION

GOSPEL AMEN

POSTLUDE: “Carillon de Longpont” Louis Vierne

✦ *Indicates congregation standing*

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String Quartet: Barrie Cooper, James Ryan, Beth Luscombe, Ruth Valente Burgess

Sunday Night Worship

6:00 p.m.

♣CALL TO WORSHIP..... Brian Lewis

♣EVERYBODY CLAP YOUR HANDS

**We praise You, O Lord; we magnify Your Name.
We worship You, O Lord; we magnify Your Name.**

Everybody clap your hands.

This is the way we praise Him; clap your hands.

**Lifting your voice, singing our song,
Praising the Lord all the day long.**

Words and Music: Percy Gray

♣INVOCATION

♣THE ANTHEM

**Hallelujah, You have won the victory.
Hallelujah, You have won it all for me.
Death could not hold You down; You are the risen King.
Seated in majesty, You are the risen King.**

**By His stripes, we are healed; by His nail-pierced hands, we're free.
By His blood, we're washed clean. Now we have the victory.**

**The pow'r of sin is broken; Jesus overcame it all.
He has won our freedom. Jesus has won it all.**

Our God is risen. He is alive. He won the victory. He reigns on high.

Words and Music: Todd Delaney

Julian Cross, soloist

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SCRIPTURE LESSON. Luke 6:36-38

³⁶Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful.
³⁷Judge not, and you will not be judged;
condemn not, and you will not be condemned;
forgive, and you will be forgiven; ³⁸give, and it

will be given to you. Good measure, pressed
down, shaken together, running over, will be put
into your lap. For with the measure you use it
will be measured back to you."

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but the Word of our God will stand forever. (*Isaiah 40:8*)

SERMON: Three Keys to Successful Church Relationships Rufus Smith

1. Give everybody the **benefit** of the **doubt**. (*Luke 6:37a*)
2. Give **commendation** more than condemnation. (*Luke 6:37b*)
3. Give somebody **another chance**. (*Luke 6:37c*)

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

✦NO. 28: HOW GREAT THOU ART

**O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed.**

*Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee:
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee:
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!*

**When through the woods and forest glades I wander
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees,
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur,
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze;
And when I think that God, His Son not sparing,
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in,
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin.**

**When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration,
And there proclaim, my God, how great Thou art.**

Words: Stuart Hine / Music: Yolanda Adams / Psalm 48:1

Kristen Jones, soloist

✦BENEDICTION

✦GOSPEL AMEN

✦Indicates congregation standing

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*The Gospel Choir: Adrianna Christmas, Daija McNeil, Dominique Jones, Hannah Crowley,
Jauna Ellis, Kristin Jones, Malaney George, Brenae Johnson, Grace Howard, Haleigh Boykin,
Jessica Uke, Lizzie Young, Mandy Webb, Savannah Gresham, Chris Pruettt, Gregory Mason,
Julian Cross, Kendall Magaña, Levi Gresham, Robert Vestal, Calvin Ellis*

Instrumentalists: Nik Weber, Joe Mariencheck, Jeremy Nall, Damien Savage, Kem Gray, James Ryan

Mission Memphis Partners *by Neighborhood*

Alcy Ball

Alcy Ball Development Corporation
Economic Opportunities
Memphis Athletic Ministries (MAM)
Repairing the Breach

Berclair/The Heights

The Avenue Community Church
Berclair Elementary School
Brinkley Heights Urban Academy
Iglesia Presbiteriana Esperanza
Su Casa Family Ministries

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Binghampton Christian Academy
Memphis Gridiron Ministries
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Refugee Empowerment Program (REP)
Service Over Self (SOS)
A Way Out Ministries

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Calvary Rescue Mission
Christ's Community Church
Christian Medical & Dental Association
Downtown Church
JIFF
Memphis Union Mission
Neighborhood Christian Centers (NCC)
The Salvation Army
STREETS Ministries
Visible Music College

East Memphis

Campus Outreach at U of M
Christian Psychological Center (CPC)
Discipling Men
Downline Ministries
Knightlife, Inc.
Young Life

Frayser

Agape Child and Family Services
For the Kingdom
Innovation Church
Leadership Empowerment Center
Youth Striving for Excellence

Midtown

Adult and Teen Challenge Memphis
All Saints Presbyterian Church
Families Matter
Memphis Teacher Residency (MTR)
Multinational Memphis
Reformed University Fellowship (RUF)
at Rhodes College
Restore Corps

Orange Mound

Christ Community Health Services
Kingdom Community Builders
My Cup of Tea
Orange Mound Outreach Ministries (OMOM)
RedZone Ministries

Citywide Partners

Bethany Christian Services
The Center
Life Choices
Memphis Christian Pastors Network
Memphis Family Connection Center
Memphis Leadership Foundation
One by One Ministries
World Relief Memphis

Dig Deeper Online

Interested in learning more? Head over to 2pc.org/missionmemphis, our new one-stop-shop for all things Domestic Outreach. Each of our local ministry partners has an online profile highlighting the ways they serve our city, how you can get involved in their mission, and specific ways you can pray for them this ministry year. In addition to this online tool, be on the lookout for a printed Mission Memphis prayer book in the coming weeks.

Guest Preacher: Rufus Smith

Rufus Smith serves as Senior Pastor at Hope Church (EPC) in Memphis and is the founder of the Memphis Christian Pastor's Network, an ethnically and denominationally diverse clergy-only network that "bridges the trust-gap" between pastors via candid conversation, supplication, and social interaction outside of church walls.

CityServe *Next Steps*

CityServe weekend is a special time in the life of our church each year in which we give specific attention to learning more about the needs in our city and how we might come alongside our local ministry partners to address those needs with the Gospel of Christ.

Our hope and prayer is that God will work in the hearts and minds of all of us, moving us to prayerfully consider a "next step" in our personal ministry to our city.

The following are potential action steps to get you started:

- Pray regularly for our city and our ministry partners.
- Attend church-wide prayer meetings on September 8, October 6, and November 3.
- Make yourself available to be used by the Lord to minister to your neighborhood and engage in our city.
- Discuss ministry opportunities with our mission partners.
- Build a cross-cultural relationship and seek to learn from that person's different life experiences and perspective.
- Champion the efforts of our ministry partners.
- Read *The Art of Neighboring* by Jay Pathak and Dave Runyon (book available for purchase in the Connector today).



CityServe Food Drive Donations Due Today!

The non-perishables have spoken... and they want to join our Food Drive! Today is the final day of our annual CityServe Food Drive. If you've not already contributed, we encourage you to drop off canned goods and household essentials in the decorated barrels in our hallways today. Your donations help meet the needs of our most vulnerable neighbors! Visit 2pc.org/fooddrive for the list of most-needed items.

Caring Ministry Update

Sympathy to:

Mary Lynn Bellott on the death of her mother, *Martha Wren Dorroh*, August 24, 2021.

In the Hospital: (*as of 8/25/21*)

Eva Miller, *Signature Health & Rehab*

Congratulations to:

Russell and Alison Nenon on the birth of a son, *Peyton Hughes Nenon*, June 11, 2021. Maternal grandparents are Bob and Suzanne Humphreys.

Will and Samantha Douglas on the birth of a daughter, *Dorothy Fox Douglas*, August 6, 2021. Paternal grandparents are Billy and Suzanne Douglas.

Weekly Prayer Focus

World Missions–Brian and Joanne: Brian and Joanne are praising God that, since last September, Covenant Hope Church in Dubai has been permitted to meet in person in the same building as before, and many non-Christians have been attending. Also, several members have had powerful ministry moments back in their home countries (South India and Brazil), and in one case, thousands heard a clear gospel message via a funeral on local television. Brian will soon be teaching a Kurdish community in a nearby country, and in mid-October, he'll be training several dozen Indian pastors in expositional preaching. Please be praying for the Spirit to change and save the hearts of many through these efforts.

Mission Memphis–Visible Music College: Visible is an accredited music and ministry college that equips Christians from all 50 states and over 25 countries with the skills and Christian character necessary for effective service in church ministry and the music industry alike as technicians, worship leaders, and music business professionals. Praise God for calling many new students to Visible to be developed and sent out as leaders in their churches, homes, industries, and communities. Please pray for these new and returning students as they navigate the challenges of college and adult life.

2PC Ministry–Fresh Start: Our Fresh Start Divorce Recovery program offers an environment in which people can deal openly and honestly with issues that come with the end of a marriage. With topics ranging from self-esteem, children and divorce, coping with an ex-spouse, and letting go of the past, Fresh Start aims to come alongside those who are navigating this difficult life change with the hope, healing, and tender mercies of Christ, our Shepherd. Please pray for the group that starts this week—for facilitators and leaders as they seek to make Fresh Start a safe place where men and women can experience love and acceptance, and for participants to experience the astounding healing power of the gospel.

August Flowers

The flowers in the Sanctuary for the month of August are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of: *Ann Neal Ashwood* and *Dr. Eugene W. Gadberry* by Charlotte and Bob Neal; *Dr. Orin L. Davidson, Jr.* by Mary and Orin Davidson; *Ruth Morrison* by Brandon and Joe Morrison.

General Fund Giving Update

	This Year Budget	This Year Actual	Variance	Last Year Actual
July	\$ 618,064	\$ 585,005	\$ (33,059)	\$ 604,280
YTD 7/1/21–7/31/21	\$ 618,064	\$ 585,005	\$ (33,059)	\$ 604,280



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