# Reconnecting & Reimagining

WORLD MISSIONS/CONFERENCE

February 20, 2022

# Morning Worship

8:15 & 11:00 a.m.

The order of worship for the evening service begins on page 8.

# Praise King Jesus





#### **†**INVOCATION

#### SACRAMENT OF CHRISTIAN BAPTISM (11:00)

Katherine Vivienne Flinn, born April 2, 2021, daughter of Katherine and Phillip Flinn Daniel Hartwell Wynn, born July 16, 2021, son of Virginia and Dan Wynn

Jesus loves you, this we know, for the Bible tells us so; Little ones to Him belong, you are weak but He is strong. Yes, Jesus loves you! Yes, Jesus loves you! Yes, Jesus loves you! The Bible tells us so.

# Receive King Jesus

#### CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Heavenly Father, You have shown us the way of life through Your Son, Jesus Christ.

We humbly confess our slowness to learn of Him, and our failure to follow Him as King.

Forgive us for the poverty of our worship, our neglect of fellowship and the means of grace, our hesitating witness for Christ, and our imperfect stewardship of Your gifts.

Grant us the grace to die daily to our sin, and to gratefully receive Your forgiveness through Jesus Christ Our Lord.

It is in His matchless name we pray.

#### INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

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He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

#### WORSHIP OF GOD WITH THE GIFTS OF GOD

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Words and Music: Traditional Spiritual; arr. Moses Hogan / Matthew 5:14-16

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

All through the night, I'm gonna let it shine. Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

My God gave it to me, I'm gonna let it shine, children. Hallelujah, children.

In my home, all over the world, shine, let it shine, shine, shine, shine, let it shine.

The Chancel Choir Calvin Ellis, director

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

VIDEO: WORLD MISSIONS TESTIMONY. Brian

Covenant Hope Church, Arab Gulf

VIDEO: A WORD TO THE CHILDREN ..... Lynn Erickson

# Follow King Jesus

#### **†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.

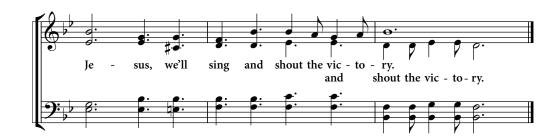
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:

For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

SCRIPTURE	Revelation 21:1-8 (page 1041 in pew Bible)	
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_	the Word of our God will stand forever. (Isaiah 40:8)	
SERMON: A	New Heaven and a New Earth	George Robertson
I.	Joyous Perfection (Revelation 21:1-2)	
II.	Glorious Diversity (Revelation 21:3)	
III.	Generous Restoration (Revelation 21:4-6)	
IV.	Victorious Inheritance (Revelation 21:7-8)	
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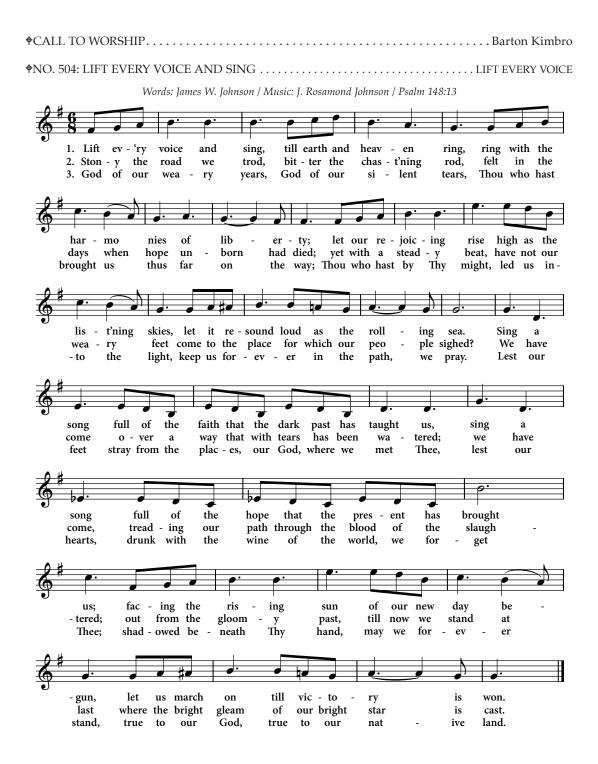
- **†**CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN
- POSTLUDE: "Now Thank We All Our God"
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- ♦ Indicates congregation standing

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# Sunday Night Worship

6:00 p.m.



#### **♦**INVOCATION

VIDEO: WORLD MISSIONS TESTIMONY. Brian F.

Campus Outreach Serve; Thailand

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## CHORAL ANTHEM: MY SOUL'S BEEN ANCHORED IN THE LORD . . . . . . . . . . . Moses Hogan

Words and Music: Traditional Spiritual; arr. Moses Hogan / Hebrews 6:19

In the Lord, in the Lord, my soul's been anchored in the Lord.

Hallelujah, my soul's been anchored in the Lord.

Before I stay and help one day, my soul's been anchored in the Lord.

I sing and pray myself away, my soul's been anchored in the Lord.

'Gone shout and pray and never stop, my soul's been anchored in the Lord.

Until I reach the mountain top, my soul's been anchored in the Lord.

Do you love Him? Do you love Him? Do you love Him?

God almighty! Are you anchored? Yes, my soul's been anchored in the Lord.

Will you serve Him? Will you serve Him? Will you serve Him?

God almighty! Are you anchored? Yes, I'm anchored, my soul's been anchored in the Lord.

Will you praise Him? Will you praise Him? Will you praise Him?

God almighty! Are you anchored?

Lord, I'm anchored; Lord, I love you; Yes, I'll serve you; Lord, I'll praise You.

Hallelujah, my soul's been anchored in the Lord!

#### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

#### GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SCRIPTURE LESSON. I Peter 3:8 (page 1015 in pew Bible)

The grass withers, the flower fades,

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

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#### SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

## THE BLOOD WILL NEVER LOSE ITS POWER / NOTHING BUT THE BLOOD . . . . . PLAINFIELD

Words and Music: Robert Lowry / I John 1:7

#### Kristin Jones, soloist:

The blood that Jesus shed for me way back on Calvary;

The blood that gives me strength from day to day, it will never lose its power.

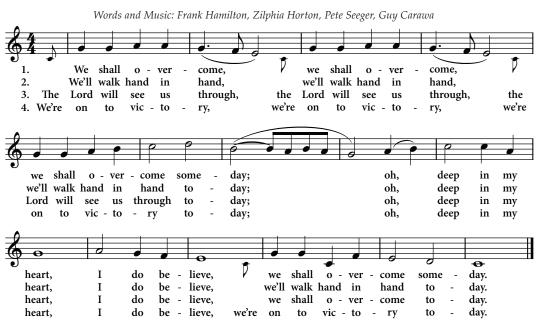
It reaches to the highest mountain, it flows to the lowest valley.

The blood that gives me strength from day to day, it will never lose its power.

#### Congregation joins:







#### **†BENEDICTION**

#### **♦**GOSPEL AMEN

♦ Indicates congregation standing

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In observance of Black History Month, tonight's worship music was selected from traditional African American hymns and spirituals.

Lift Every Voice and Sing: Often referred to as "The Black National Anthem," this hymn was originally written as a poem by NAACP leader James Weldon Johnson in 1900 and composed by his brother, John Rosamond Johnson. A choir of 500 schoolchildren at the segregated Stanton School, where James Weldon Johnson was principal, first performed the song to celebrate President Abraham Lincoln's birthday. The song was later adopted by NAACP and used as a rallying cry during the Civil Rights Movement of the 1950s and 1960s.

My Soul's Been Anchored in the Lord: During the dark period of slavery in American history, many enslaved Africans converted to Christianity. "My Soul's Been Anchored in The Lord" was included in John W. Work's edited 1940 collection, "American Negro Songs and Spirituals." The hope expressed in this Jubilee spiritual arose from enslaved Christians' faith that no matter what happened to their physical body, their soul was firmly secured in their Savior.

The Blood Will Never Lose Its Power/Nothing But the Blood: Perhaps no other African American gospel composer-performer has been as accomplished and recognized as Andre Crouch. The Church of God in Christ recorded Crouch's first song, "The Blood Will Never Lose Its Power" (1962), which continues to be one of his most popular. The song echoes verses from Psalm 103 and exalts the power of Christ's blood on our behalf during the pinnacle moments of our lives and our seasons of deep sorrow.

We Shall Overcome: The anthem of the Civil Rights Movement of the 1950s and 1960s, "We Shall Overcome," offered courage, comfort, and hope as protesters battled for equal rights for African Americans. The song has a long history with input from many people and places. Around 1945, gospel arrangers Atron Twigg and Kenneth Morris put together the essential pieces of the now-famous words and melody.

# Caring Ministry Update

#### Sympathy to:

June Hause on the death of her husband, *William Joseph Hause*, February 3, 2022, in Olive Branch, MS. Mike Gore on the death of his father, *William Gary Gore*, February 11, 2022. Mindy Gandy on the death of her mother, *Virginia Anne Barbee*, February 12, 2022, in Amarillo, TX.

#### Congratulations to:

Mac and Mary Plosser on the birth of a son, *John Hastings Plosser*, February 3, 2022.

**In the Hospital** (as of 2/16/22): Jim Nickels, Baptist Memphis Jean Massey, Village of Germantown Rehab

# Weekly Prayer Focus

World Missions–Robby and Joyce: Robby and Joyce report a challenging year of work for the Philemon Project. The dissolution of the government, the lingering impact of the 2020 explosion, and rampant inflation coupled with dwindling resources make life difficult in Beirut. They give praise to the Lord for the purchase of land with a building for the second GROW location. Ask the Lord to provide a leader for this new location and a replacement for their current director who is transitioning off. Pray for God to guide them in their desire to expand to a closed north African country. Pray also that He will bless their relationship with Resurrection Church in the city as they work together to serve the under-resourced in Beirut.

**Domestic Missions–JIFF:** Juvenile Intervention Faith-based Follow-up (JIFF) provides Christ-centered intervention programming to juvenile court referred youth ages 9-18 to help break the destructive cycle of youth crime. They praise God for their new Executive Director, Megan Gwaltney, who began leading JIFF on January 1. Please pray that God will bless her in this role and give her a vision for what He wants to accomplish in the years ahead. Pray as well for God to bless previous director Richard Graham as he steps down to work part-time as Development Director. Finally, pray for wisdom as JIFF considers a building modification project that would allow them to establish a workforce training and resource center for their youth.

**2PC Ministry–Caring Ministry:** Led by David Bowen, Donna Sanders, and Kathy Oswalt, the Caring Ministry at 2PC exists to walk alongside members who are experiencing suffering, illness, loss, or grief, as well as to provide support for members serving their loved ones in caregiving roles. Pray for the Caring Ministry to connect effectively with those who are unable to attend corporate worship regularly. Pray for additional members to commit to loving and maintaining regular contact with a few senior adults. Pray also for God to continue to bring comfort and hope to the participants of the current GriefShare session, which finishes up at the end of March. Finally, pray for the Widow's GriefShare group beginning in May—that God would form friendships among the widows and encourage them as they meet others who are walking a similar path.

# February Flowers

The flowers in the Sanctuary this month are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of: Dee Bonner and Agnes Perkins by Debbie and Mark Perkins; Our dear parents, Polly and Evan Fellman, by their devoted daughters, Joanne Fleming and Peg Stringer; Robert Y. Fleming by his wife Joanne and his family; Alice Moffatt Howard by Hope Howard Brandon; Robert Eugene Tipton, Jr. by Deborah and Mary Elisabeth Tipton; David G. Williams, Sr., Anne and Ernest B. Williams, Jr., and Ernest B. Williams III by Billie Anne Williams and family.

# Congregational Prayer & Second Day Prayer: March 2

On the first Wednesday of March, April, and May, we will gather as a church family at noon in the Fellowship Hall for a time of congregational prayer. All are invited, and registration is not required.

March's in-person prayer meeting (March 2) happens to fall on another day we've set aside to lift our voices to the Lord each month—Second Day Prayer!

Please register for your 30-minute Second Day Prayer slot on Wednesday, March 2 in order to receive the prayer guide and pray from wherever you are—whether that's at home with your kids, on a walk at the park, or in your office on a lunch break.

## Save the Date for Vacation Bible School!

Pop-up Vacation Bible School is coming to a backyard near you June 6–9! Mark your calendars, and sign up now to help. We need host homes and adult and teen volunteers. Visit 2pc.org/vbs for more details.

## The 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 (2pc.org) and enter your name and email address—then watch for it to arrive in your inbox on Friday afternoons!

# Wednesday Night Meals

Join us from 5:00-6:15 p.m. each Wednesday for a fresh-cooked family meal from the 2PC kitchen with your church community. An option of a hot meal or salad is available; both with various desserts. Payment is taken at the door (cash or credit card); \$8 for adults and \$4 for kids.

# Campus Mask Policy

Second's mask policy is mask optional for everyone but strongly recommended for those not vaccinated and for children 3 years old and above. Nursery volunteers will continue to wear masks while serving in the nursery.

# General Fund Giving Update

	 This Year Budget	This Year Actual	Variance	Last Year Actual
January	\$ 623,550	\$ 1,253,617	\$ 630,067	\$ 756,235
YTD 7/1/21-1/31/22	\$ 6,008,246	\$ 6,796,096	\$ 787,850	\$ 6,116,637

# Reconnecting & Reimagining

# **WORLD MISSIONS CONFERENCE 2022**

At this year's World Missions Conference, we look forward to reconnecting with many of our partners, asking God to renew and reshape our understanding of global missions by showing us all the ways He is working through our friends around the globe. We're excited to welcome mission partners Roger Lowther (serving in Japan) and Thomas and Jennifer McIntyre (serving in Taiwan) as our guest speakers.

Tuesday-Thursday, February 22-24
Zoom Interviews with Mission Partners Full Schedule at Right
Thursday, February 24
11:30 a.m
7:00 p.m
Friday, February 25
5:30 p.mMissionary Appetizer Reception
6:15 p.m
6:30 p.mFriday Night Dinner with Roger Lowther
9:00 p.mYoung Adult After Party
Saturday, February 26
8:00 a.m
8:45 a.m. KidMission: China
9:00 a.m Panel Discussion: What Does Church Planting Look Like Today?
10:00 a.m. Break-out Sessions
Missions as a Working Professional: Debbie Pixley
Supporting and Caring for Mission Partners: Jennifer McIntyre
Ministry During Social Upheaval: Nick and Amanda
Sunday, February 27
8:15 & 11:00 a.m Sunday Morning Worship with Thomas McIntyre
9:40 a.m Missionaries in Sunday School Classes
6:00 p.mSunday Night Worship with Roger Lowther
At KidMission this year, kids will "travel to China" to meet missionaries who live there,

Visit 2pc.org/wmc for more details and to register!

learn about the culture, play games, make crafts, and more! KidMission is designed for ages 4 through 5th grade. Nursery is available by reservation for ages 3 and under.

# Missionaries Attending the 2022 Conference

Paul and Violette Bridgman spent a lifetime church planting in Japan. They turned over the Sakuragaoka Church to pastor Osaka and have returned to the U.S. to enjoy retirement in Conway, AR.

Debbie Pixley worked for years as an automotive engineer for a Japanese auto firm and earned a master's degree in engineering in technical Japanese. With her language abilities, affinity for the Japanese people, and heart for missions, she made the mental shift to full-time ministry. Debbie felt the Lord's calling to serve alongside Grace City Church and MTW. She plans to join the Lowthers on the Community Arts Team this summer.

**Craig and Stacy** spent 20 years ministering in Ecuador and Chile. After significant time seeking the Lord and consulting with MTW leaders, they have sensed God's call to relocate to Japan. They hope to move in March or April of this year.

Hannah van der Bijl has been called to a twoyear term in East Asia, working with a team that partners closely with a medical Christian organization ministering to orphans. Some of their ministries include regular visits to orphanages and medical clinics, and ministry to foster families of children with disabilities. Hannah will study the local language, tutor English, and assist with the team's ministries.

Nick and Amanda lead a church planting team in a country where one out of five people are refugees. As they build relationships with the displaced, they hope to lead them to Jesus and establish a church. Last summer, while their family was on a three-month home leave, the infrastructure in their host country collapsed, and they were forced to stay in Memphis. This

allowed Nick to begin extension classes at Gordon-Conwell seminary. The family hopes to return to the Middle East in June.

Dean and Kyria have served with Mission to the World planting and revitalizing churches in several countries. Most recently, they have been ministering in Central Asia, but now need to relocate to minister in a new area. They have been in the U.S. as Dean receives treatment on his Achilles injury and as they seek their new placement.

Nicole Densmoor serves with Pioneers on a church planting team in a Muslim country in Southeast Asia. There she trains Bible school students and working professionals in how to engage Muslims with the gospel. She also builds relationships with students in her English and Third Culture Kids classes.

Roger Lowther (conference speaker) and his wife Abi lead a community arts team in Tokyo, providing resources and programming for many church plants in the city. They use their musical talents and gifts to reach Japan with the gospel. They have extended their home assignment to help care for their son, Aidan, who recently sustained a significant head injury in a bike accident.

Thomas and Jennifer McIntyre (conference speakers) have served for more than a decade to establish and minister at Sanhe Gospel Church in Zhongpu, Taiwan. Now on home leave in Texas, Jennifer has been speaking, writing, and teaching, while Thomas has been preaching at local churches and working on his Doctor of Ministry studies through Knox Theological Seminary. The McIntyres plan to return to Taiwan in June to begin a new church planting ministry in Xingang in south Taiwan.

# **Field Report: Virtual Missions Meet-ups**

Step into the mission field via Zoom through one (or all) of our 2022 Virtual Missions Meet-ups! Join a 40-minute Zoom interview with our partners on the field to hear how they are doing and learn how you can pray for them. Visit 2pc.org/wmc to register to receive the Zoom link.

Steve & Margaret (Ethiopia)	Tuesday, February 22, Noon
David & Aliece (East Asia)	. Tuesday, February 22, 6:00 p.m.
Greg & Elizabeth (Lebanon)	. Wednesday, February 23, Noon
Jackie (Indonesia) V	Vednesday, February 23, 6:00 p.m.
Scott & Ellen (Senegal)	Thursday, February 24, 1:00 p.m.



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