Reimagine the Church



COMMITMENT SUNDAY November 21, 2021

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.
- Mask Policy: Masks are optional for vaccinated individuals on our church campus for all worship services and events. If you are not vaccinated, we ask that you continue to wear a mask to help protect those who cannot be or have not yet been vaccinated. Children above age 2 should continue to wear masks.
- 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.
- **Nursery:** Our nursery is available for the 8:15 a.m. service and during the Sunday School hour to ages three and under and for the 6:00 p.m. service to ages four and under.
- Visit 2pc.org/live for a livestream of all services.

Morning Worship

8:15 & 11:00 a.m.

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Enter HIS Courts with Thanksgiving

PRELUDE: "Thanksgiving Suite"Charles Callahan
Samuel Metzger, organ
INSTRUMENTAL PRELUDE: "O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus!"Duane Funderburk
CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 95:1, 2Barton Kimbro
Oh come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!
HYMN OF PRAISE: No. 61 "Now Thank We All Our God"
Words: Martin Rinkart / Music: Johann Crüger / I Chronicles 29:13
Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices, Who wondrous things hath done, in whom His world rejoices; Who from our mothers' arms, hath blessed us on our way With countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.
O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us, With ever-joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us; And keep us in His grace, and guide us when perplexed, And free us from all ills in this world and the next.
All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given, The Son, and Him who reigns with them in highest heaven— The one eternal God, whom earth and heav'n adore; For thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore. Amen.
INVOCATION
SACRAMENT OF CHRISTIAN BAPTISM (8:15)
John Edward Wallace Baker, born February 13, 2020, son of Melissa and Josh Baker Noah William James, born September 15, 2020, son of Hannah and Philip James
SONG OF ENCOURAGEMENT: "Jesus Loves You"
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 His Pardon with Joy

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God, our heavenly Father, You are our Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer. Every good and perfect gift comes from You. Yet we confess that we have doubted Your generous heart which delights to give what is good to Your children. We have murmured and complained against You. We have failed to give thanks to You in all circumstances. Empower us to cast off these and all other sins of our heart knowing that they are an affront and insult to You. Fill us anew with Your Spirit and deepen our gratitude so that we might serve and obey You with undivided and joyful hearts. It's in the name of Jesus our Lord, we pray.

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON..... II Corinthians 8:9

For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich.

VIDEO: RENEIGHBORING THROUGHOUT THE CITY

WORSHIP OF GOD WITH THE GIFTS OF GOD

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Words: Henry Alford / Music: George J. Elvey; arr. Mack Wilberg / Matthew 13:39

Come, ye thankful people, come, raise the song of harvest home: All is safely gathered in, ere the winter storms begin; God, our Maker doth provide for our wants to be supplied: Come to God's own temple, come, raise the song of harvest home.

All the world is God's own field, fruit unto His praise to yield; Wheat and tares together sown, unto joy or sorrow grown; First the blade, and then the ear, then the full corn shall appear: Lord of harvest grant that we wholesome grain and pure may be.

For the Lord, our God, shall come, and shall take His harvest home; From His field shall in that day all offenses purge away; Give His angels charge at last in the fire the tares to cast, But the fruitful ears to store in His garner evermore.

Even so, Lord, quickly come to the final harvest home; Gather Thou Thy people in, free from sorrow, free from sin; There forever purified, in Thy presence to abide: Come, with all Thine angels, come, raise the glorious harvest home.

> The Chancel Choir James Ryan, conductor

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

VIDEO: A WORD TO THE CHILDREN Lynn Erickson

Embrace His Call with Gratitude

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. 528 "My Heart Is Filled with Thankfulness"..... THANKFULNESS

Words and Music: Keith Getty and Stuart Townend / Hebrews 12:28

My heart is filled with thankfulness to Him who bore my pain, Who plumbed the depths of my disgrace and gave me life again, Who crushed my curse of sinfulness and clothed me in His light, And wrote His law of righteousness with pow'r upon my heart.

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My heart is filled with thankfulness to Him who reigns above, Whose wisdom is my perfect peace, whose ev'ry thought is love, For ev'ry day I have on earth is given by the King. So I will give my life, my all to love and follow Him.

SCRIPTURE LESSON.....

¹¹Then I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse! The one sitting on it is called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he judges and makes war. ¹²His eyes are like a flame of fire, and on his head are many diadems, and he has a name written that no one knows but himself. ¹³He is clothed in a robe dipped in blood, and the name by which he is called is The Word of God. ¹⁴And the armies of heaven, arrayed in fine linen, white and pure, were following him on white horses. ¹⁵From his mouth comes a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations, and he will rule them with a rod of iron. He will tread the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God the Almighty. ¹⁶On his robe and on his thigh he has a name written, King of kings and Lord of lords.

¹⁷Then I saw an angel standing in the sun, and with a loud voice he called to all the birds

that fly directly overhead, "Come, gather for the great supper of God, ¹⁸to eat the flesh of kings, the flesh of captains, the flesh of mighty men, the flesh of horses and their riders, and the flesh of all men, both free and slave, both small and great." ¹⁹And I saw the beast and the kings of the earth with their armies gathered to make war against him who was sitting on the horse and against his army. ²⁰And the beast was captured, and with it the false prophet who in its presence had done the signs by which he deceived those who had received the mark of the beast and those who worshiped its image. These two were thrown alive into the lake of fire that burns with sulfur. ²¹And the rest were slain by the sword that came from the mouth of him who was sitting on the horse, and all the birds were gorged with their flesh.

The grass withers, the flower fades,

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

SERMON: The Word of God	George Robertson
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- I. The Word of God is Personal (*Revelation 19:11-14*)
- II. The Word of God is Passionate (Revelation 19:15-21)

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

PRAYERFUL CONTEMPLATION OF 2022 PLANNED GIVING

Ways to submit your pledge:

Pledge online (use the link sent to your email this morning or visit 2pc.org/give). Complete the Giving Intent Card (mailed to your home and available in the pew racks), and place it in the boxes at the Sanctuary exits.

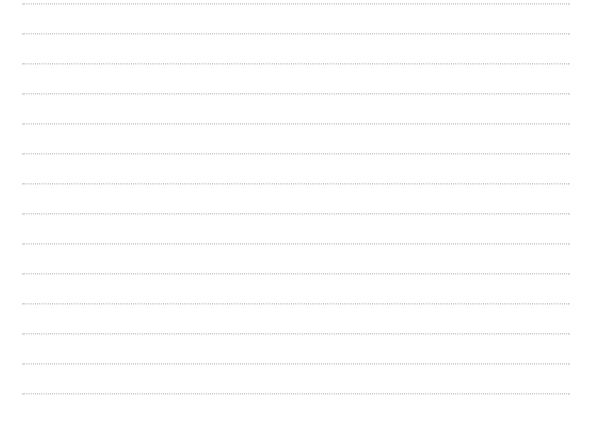
†BENEDICTION

†CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

POSTLUDE: "Now Thank We All Our God"	J.S. Bach; arr. Fox
<i>†Indicates congregation standing</i>	CCLI License #252778

Instrumentalists: Rebeca Rathlef and Frank Lakatos, violin; Addie Funderburg, viola; Philip Crawford, cello

Sermon Notes



Sunday Night Worship 6:00 p.m.

CALL TO WORSHIP.....Brett Wynne

†YOU ARE GOOD/O GIVE THANKS

Lord, You are good, and Your mercy endureth forever. Lord, You are good, and Your mercy endureth forever. People of every nation and tongue, From generation to generation.

We worship You, Hallelujah, Hallelujah. We worship You, for who You are.

And You are good.

O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good, yes, He is good. O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good, yes, He is good.

For He is worthy, worthy, for He is good, yes, He is good. For He is worthy, worthy, for He is good, yes, He is good.

Words and Music: Israel Houghton, Judith McAllister / Psalm 136

†INVOCATION

♦OH, GIVE THANKS

Oh, give thanks to the Father, Spring of life, Lord of love, The bountiful fount of all provision. Come, rejoice in His goodness, Count each blessing that comes From heav'n to earth, now from earth to heaven.

Oh, give thanks to God forever For all He's done, for all He's given. For every grace, bring every praise To the Giver of all, give thanks.

Oh, give thanks unto Jesus, Sing of His saving love, The bread of life, broken for redemption; How He carried the cross To make us daughters and sons, Exalted now, the King of our salvation.

Oh, give thanks to the Spirit, Fire of joy, Bond of love. Oh, Breath of God, help our hearts remember. Purge our pride with Your kindness, Plant this song deep in us. For all the gifts, greater is the Giver.

Words and Music: Matt Papa, Matt Boswell

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SCRIPTURE LESSON. Philippians 4:14-23

¹⁴Yet it was kind of you to share my trouble. ¹⁵And you Philippians yourselves know that in the beginning of the gospel, when I left Macedonia, no church entered into partnership with me in giving and receiving, except you only. ¹⁶Even in Thessalonica you sent me help for my needs once and again. ¹⁷Not that I seek the gift, but I seek the fruit that increases to your credit. ¹⁸I have received full payment, and more. I am well supplied, having received from Epaphroditus the gifts you sent, a fragrant offering, a sacrifice acceptable and pleasing to God. ¹⁹And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus. ²⁰To our God and Father be glory forever and ever. Amen.

²¹Greet every saint in Christ Jesus. The brothers who are with me greet you. ²²All the saints greet you, especially those of Caesar's household.

²³The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit.

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SERMON: Abounding JoyJosh Preston

- I. Joy in Participating in God's Work
- II. Joy in Giving Back to God
- III. Joy in God's Abundant Provision

Gifts received then given in participation, return as crowns cast down in gratitude.

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

The Liturgy of the Table

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

JESUS, THANK YOU

The mystery of the cross I cannot comprehend, The agonies of Calvary. You, the perfect Holy One, crushed Your Son, Who drank the bitter cup reserved for me.

Your blood has washed away my sin: Jesus, thank You. The Father's wrath completely satisfied: Jesus, thank You. Once Your enemy, now seated at Your table: Jesus, thank You.

By Your perfect sacrifice I've been brought near; Your enemy You've made Your friend. Pouring out the riches of Your glorious grace; Your mercy and Your kindness know no end.

Lover of my soul: I want to live for You.

Words and Music: Pat Sczebel / II Corinthians 9:15

NO. 528: MY HEART IS FILLED WITH THANKFULNESS

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Gospel Choir: Brenae Johnson, Haleigh Boykin, Jess Uke, Emily Hale, Kristin Jones, Laurie Niederbrach, Connor Curtis, Greg Mason, James Ryan, Shelbie Pittman

Instrumentalists: Nik Weber, Joe Mariencheck, Jeremy Nall, Claude Hinds

Advent

Hanging of the Green November 28 at 6:00 in the Sanctuary

Celebrate the beginning of the Advent season with us at Hanging of the Green next Sunday.

We'll be led in worship by our children's choirs. Then we'll decorate the campus on our way to the Fellowship Hall, where we can snap a picture at the photo booth, decorate cookies, and make Christmas crafts. The evening will conclude with a live nativity outdoors! **Rejoice Greatly! A Chamber Music Concert** *December 5, 6:00 p.m.*

Festival of Carols *December 12, 6:00 p.m.*

Christmas Eve Worship

4:00 p.m. Family Service 5:30, 8:00 & 11:00 p.m. Candlelight Communion Services

Visit 2pc.org/advent for more dates, details, and service opportunities.

Second Day Prayer: December 2

Our first Second Day Prayer in November was a hit, and we're excited to cover December 2, in prayer, too. Visit 2pc.org/pray to sign up for your 30-minute prayer time and mark your calendar to intercede on behalf of our city.

November Flowers

The flowers in the Sanctuary and Connector today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of: *Ruth and Buddy Morrison, Jimmie and Bobby Vaughan,* and *C. Dan Bump* and in honor of: *Jan Bump* and *Allison and Tom Garrott* by Mr. and Mrs. Blake Vaughan who were married yesterday. Mrs. Vaughan is the former Ruthie Morrison.

The flowers in the Sanctuary this month are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of: *Ann and Oscar Edwards* by Jimmy and Mary Edwards and their family; *Our dear parents, Polly and Evan Fellman,* by their devoted daughters, Joanne Fleming and Peg Stringer; *George Shea Flinn* by his sons George, Fred, Carl, and their families; *Mary Elizabeth Garrott* by Brandon and Joe Morrison; *Milla Gieselmann* by her parents and sister; *Dr. Max Wesley Painter* by his family; and *Anna Leita Werkhoven and Andrew Werkhoven* by Margaret and James Werkhoven.

General Fund Giving Update				
	This Year Budget	This Year Actual	Variance	Last Year Actual
October	\$ 616,677	\$ 725,281	\$ 108,604	\$ 624,214
YTD 7/1/21-10/31/21	\$ 2,421,459	\$ 2,686,041	\$ 264,582	\$ 2,535,538

Caring Ministry Update

In the Hospital (as of 11/17/21): Eva Miller, Allen Morgan Rehab Joan Morgan, Baptist Rehab Paul Brown, Baptist Memphis

Weekly Prayer Focus

World Missions–Jackie: As part of the ministry team of Covenant City Church in Jakarta, Jackie rejoices at how the Lord is opening doors for ministry in that great city. After many months of COVID isolation, Jackie has been able to reconnect with people, and CCC was able to resume in-person worship on November 7. The Lord has given the core team for Ibadah Sore (the Indonesian language church plant) a sweet sense of unity as they prepare for their first worship service on December 19. Please pray for the Lord to fill Jackie with His Spirit as she casts vision for the Ibadah Sore team and for the team to stay focused on Jesus as they work through the many details for this new work. Pray that the Lord will continue to bless Jackie as she builds relationships both with believers and those who don't yet know Jesus.

Mission Memphis–Memphis Union Mission: For more than 65 years, Memphis Union Mission has worked to rebuild lives by ministering to the physical, spiritual, and emotional needs of men, women, and families who are experiencing homelessness, crisis, or addiction. They praise God for bringing new donors and compelling many existing donors to give generously, allowing MUM to serve hundreds this Thanksgiving. Pray for MUM's administrative staff as they work to process the increase in donations during the holidays. Pray as well for the men and women served, that they wouldn't only be fed physically but also spiritually, coming to know Jesus in a real way.

2PC Ministry–GriefShare: Coordinated by Donna Sanders, GriefShare is an 11-week program that provides Biblical help, encouragement, and hope for the future to those who are recovering from the death of a loved one. In addition to the 11-week program, a few times each year, 2PC hosts GriefShare workshops (such as the recent "Surviving the Holidays" seminar). Please pray for God to provide wise and compassionate leaders for the GriefShare program beginning in January and for the workshops in the Spring. Pray that participants will discover a caring community of support as they navigate through loss. Pray also for unsaved participants to encounter a loving God and experience His salvation through Christ. Finally, as we approach the holiday season, pray for the God of all comfort to draw near to those who are grieving.



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