



# ADVENT



**NOVEMBER 27, 2022 • 8:15 + 11:00 AM**

**FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

## EXALT THE ROYAL KING

PRELUDE: "Blest Mary Walks Amid the Thorn" . . . . . arr. Todd Marchand

Blest Mary walks amid the thorn, Kyrie eleison!  
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 Where sev'n long years no bloom has borne. Jesu et Maria!  
 What 'neath her heart doth Mary bear? Kyrie eleison!  
 A little child doth Mary bear,  
 Beneath her heart He nestles there. Jesu et Maria!  
 As through the thornwood passeth she, Kyrie eleison!  
 Fair roses bloom on ev'ry three  
 As through the thornwood passeth she. Jesu et Maria!  
 What shall this Infant called be? Kyrie eleison!  
 The Christ, He shall be called truly,  
 Which Name He hath borne from eternity. Jesu et Maria!  
 Who wilt the world from sin set free? Kyrie eleison!  
 This Child alone, and only He,  
 He wilt the world from sin set free. Jesu et Maria!  
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*Jauna Ellis, soprano  
 Tammy Holt, organ*

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE. . . . . Aubrey, Chelsea, Arthur, and Louis Mills (8:15)  
 Antoinette and John Good (11:00)

CALL TO WORSHIP . . . . . Josh Preston

♠PROCESSIONAL HYMN: No. 127 "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" . . . . . VENI EMMANUEL

*Words: John Mason Neale / Music: Thomas Helmore / Isaiah 59:20*

1. O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som cap - tive  
 2. O come, O come, thou Lord of might, who to thy tribes on  
 3. O come, thou Rod of Jes - se, free thine own from Sa - tan's  
 4. O come, thou Day - spring from on high, and cheer us by thy  
 5. O come, thou Key of Da - vid, come and o - pen wide our

Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile here, un - lone - ly  
 Si - nai's height, in an - cient times didst give the law in  
 tyr - an - ny; from depths of hell thy peo - ple save, and  
 draw - ing nigh; dis - perse the gloom - y clouds of night, and  
 heav'n - ly home; make safe the way that leads on high, and

*Refrain*

til the Son of God ap - pear.  
 cloud and maj - es - ty and awe.  
 give them vic - t'ry o'er the grave. Re - joice! Re - joice! Em -  
 death's dark shad - ows put to flight.  
 close the path to mis - er - y.

man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el.

◆INVOCATION

◆PROPHETIC LESSON: Selected Verses from Isaiah . . . . . Amanda Coop (8:15)  
 Don Batchelor (11:00)

Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign:

**Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son,  
 and shall call his name Immanuel.**

For to us a child is born, to us a son is given;  
 and the government shall be upon his shoulder,

**and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor,  
 Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.**

Of the increase of his government and of peace there will be no end,

**on the throne of David and over his kingdom,  
 to establish it and to uphold it**

with justice and with righteousness  
 from this time forth and forevermore

**The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this.**

So they shall fear the name of the Lord from the west,

**and his glory from the rising of the sun;**

for he will come like a rushing stream,  
 which the wind of the Lord drives

**“And a Redeemer will come to Zion,  
 to those in Jacob who turn from transgression,” declares the Lord.**

◆CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE . . . . . VENI EMMANUEL

**Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
 Shall come to thee, O Israel.**

# ENJOY THE HUMBLE SAVIOR

## CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Gracious, heavenly Father,  
 all of us stand in fresh need of rescue and release  
 from the weight of our sin by our Lord Jesus Christ.  
 We confess as we begin this Advent that  
 instead of peaceful, we are anxious;  
 instead of joyful, we are irritable;  
 instead of amazed, we are indifferent;  
 and in the place of anticipation, we are fearful.  
 In our unbelief, we have become impoverished.  
 Pardon and free us from these sins that plague us,  
 for we pray in the strong name of Jesus Christ our Lord.**

## INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON..... I Timothy 1:15

*The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance,  
 that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost.*

## WORSHIP OF GOD WITH THE GIFTS OF GOD

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence" ..... Craig Courtney

*Words: Liturgy of St. James; tr. Gerard Moultrie / Music: Trad. French Carol; arr. Craig Courtney / Habakkuk 2:20*

Let all mortal flesh keep silence, and with fear and trembling stand;  
 Ponder nothing earthly minded, for with blessing in His hand  
 Christ our God to earth descending comes our homage to demand.

King of kings, yet born of Mary, as of old on earth He stood,  
 Lord of lords in human vesture, in the body and the blood,  
 He will give to all the faithful His own self for heav'nly food.

Rank on rank the host of heaven, spreads its vanguard on the way;  
 As the Light descending from the realms of endless day,  
 Comes, the pow'rs of hell to vanquish, as the darkness clears away.

At His feet the six winged seraph, cherubim with sleepless eye,  
 Veil their faces to the presence, as with ceaseless voice they cry:  
 Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, Lord Most High!

*The Chancel Choir  
 Calvin Ellis, director*

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

## GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN..... Will Nease

*Director of Sr. High Ministry*

## EXTOL THE SUPREME LORD

### ✦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: "Fullness of Grace" ..... Getty, Townend

*Words and Music: Keith and Kristyn Getty, Stuart Townend; arr. Paul Campbell*



1. Full - ness of grace in man's hu - man frail - ty; This is the won - der of  
2. Full - ness of grace the love of the Fa - ther, shown in the face of  
3. Full - ness of hope in Christ we had longed for; Pro - mise of God in



Je - sus. Lay - ing a - side His pow - er and glo - ry  
Je - sus. Stoop - ing to bear the weight of hu - man - i - ty;  
Je - sus. Through His o - bed - ience we are for - giv - en,



hum - bly He en - tered our world. Chose the path of mean - est worth;  
Walk - ing the Cal - va - ry road. Christ, the Ho - ly inn - o - cent  
op - 'ning the flood-gates of Heav'n. All our hopes and dreams we bring



Scan - dal of a vir - gin birth. Born in a sta - ble  
took our sin and pun - ish - ment. Full - ness of God, des -  
glad - ly as an off - er - ing. Full - ness of life and



cold and re - jec - ted; here lies the hope of the world.  
-pised and re - ject - ed; Crushed for the sins of the world.  
joy un - speak - a - ble: God's gift in love to the world.

The grass withers, the flower fades,

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

SERMON: Shepherd King.....George Robertson

**I. Selfish Worship** (Micah 1:1-16)

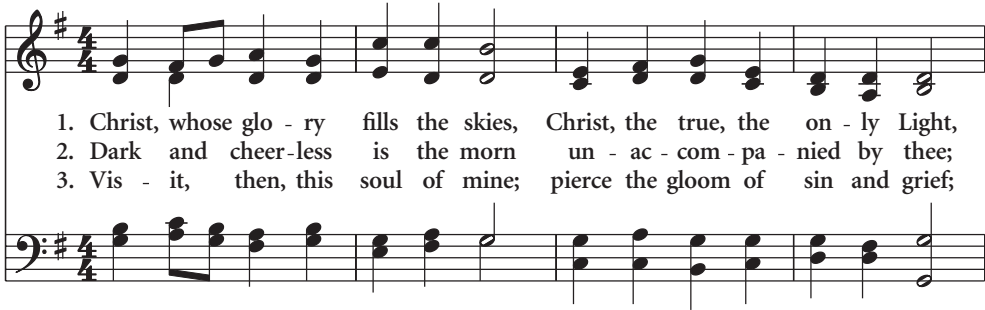
**II. Selfish Society** (Micah 2:1-11)

**III. Shepherd King** (Micah 2:12-13)

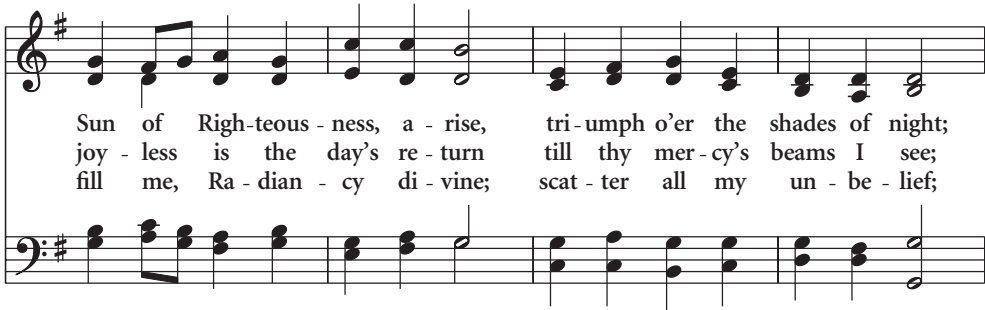
PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

◆HYMN OF COMMITMENT: No. 87 "Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies" ..... DIX

Words: Charles Wesley / Music: Conrad Kocher; adapt. William Henry Monk / Luke 1:78-79



1. Christ, whose glo - ry fills the skies, Christ, the true, the on - ly Light,  
2. Dark and cheer-less is the morn un - ac - com - pa - nied by thee;  
3. Vis - it, then, this soul of mine; pierce the gloom of sin and grief;



Sun of Righ-teous - ness, a - rise, tri - umph o'er the shades of night;  
joy - less is the day's re - turn till thy mer - cy's beams I see;  
fill me, Ra - dian - cy di - vine; scat - ter all my un - be - lief;



Day - spring from on high, be near; Day - star, in my heart ap - pear.  
till they in - ward light im - part, glad my eyes, and warm my heart.  
more and more thy - self dis - play, shin - ing to the per - fect day.

♣BENEDICTION

♣BENEDICTION RESPONSE..... GLORIA

**Gloria in excelsis Deo,  
Gloria in excelsis Deo.**

♣POSTLUDE: Processional on "Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying" ..... arr. Gilbert M. Martin

♣*Indicates congregation standing*

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## Sermon Notes

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### **Congregational Meeting: December 11**

The Session has called the congregation to meet at both morning services on December 11, 2022 to elect officers to begin service in January 2023 on the Diaconate and Session. Those up for election have previously been nominated by the congregation and have completed a period of training and examination.

### **Second Day Prayer: December 2**

Alongside churches all across the city, Second dedicates one day each month to lift our voices to the Lord in prayer for 24 consecutive hours, asking God to expand and flourish His kingdom here in Memphis as it is in heaven.

Join us from your home, your office, your car, or anywhere else you find yourself on Friday, December 2 as, together, we cover the day in prayer.

Visit [2pc.org/pray](https://2pc.org/pray) to sign up to pray and download the prayer guide.



## Caring Ministry Update

### **Congratulations to:**

Vance and Christy Montgomery on the birth of a daughter, *Grace Collins Montgomery*, August 30, 2022. Maternal grandparents are Chris and Rebecca Long.

### **In the Hospital** (as of 11/21/22):

John Emmett, *Jordan River at The Farms*  
Pam Campbell, *Methodist Germantown*

## Weekly Prayer Focus

**World Missions–Jonathan and Sharon:** Jonathan and Sharon serve in South Asia, where Jonathan trains Christian leaders from India, Nepal, Bangladesh and Sri Lanka. Pray that these leaders will use recent training about listening skills and thoughtful questioning to encourage the people they serve. Jonathan is also a consultant to two UN agencies, the World Food Program and the World Health Organization. Pray that his Christian perspective will guide these organizations, particularly as they seek help for post-Covid trauma. Last year Jonathan and Sharon were able to adopt three-year-old Priya. They are grateful for the way that she continues to adapt to their home and for the way their daughters Alicia and Gia have embraced their new sister. Jonathan and Sharon have launched Harbor Christian School for children in their city; pray that the Lord will bless the school and use it to bring many children to saving faith.

**Domestic Missions–Memphis Union Mission:** For more 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. The Mission praises God for the generosity of those in our city, including local businesses, who give to our homeless neighbors. Pray for the Mission's staff, volunteers, and board of directors to stay ever sensitive to the leading of the Holy Spirit. Pray for the men in the Mission's recovery programs to lean wholly on Christ for renewal and freedom. Finally, pray for all at the Mission to rest in Christ during their busy season.

**2PC Ministry–Launch Program:** Coordinated by Brett Wynne, the Launch Program aims to train and send out new Christian workers (from pastors to counselors) for gospel ministry. Residents take graduate-level courses while receiving hands-on experience for up to five years in all aspects of ministry work relevant to their particular calling. They are then “launched” into their area of ministry—whether at Second or a different congregation or context. Please pray for our residents to grow in their knowledge of the Word, their walk with the Lord, and their ministry skill. Pray for God to increase their capacity to study and do ministry simultaneously. Pray also for God to continue blessing their ministry efforts!

# ADVENT

## Hangin' of the Green

*Tonight at 6:00 in the Sanctuary*

Celebrate the beginning of the Advent season with us!

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 will enjoy a children's photo booth as well as stations to decorate cookies and make Christmas crafts.

The evening will conclude with a live nativity outdoors.

## A Baroque Christmas

*December 4, 6:00 p.m.*

## Festival of Carols

*December 11, 6:00 p.m.*

## Nine Lessons and Carols

*December 18, 8:15 & 11:00 a.m.*

## A Gospel Christmas

*December 18, 6:00 p.m.*

## Christmas PJ Party

*December 20, 6:00 p.m.*

## Christmas Eve Worship

*4:00 p.m. Family Service*

*5:30, 8:00 & 11:00 p.m.*

*Candlelight Communion Services*

To sign up for Pastor George's Advent devotionals, distributed on Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning November 29, text ADVENT to (888) 381-1121.

Also, resources for families are available on a table outside the Nursery.

*Visit [2pc.org/advent](http://2pc.org/advent) for more dates, details, and service opportunities.*

## November Flowers

**The flowers in the Sanctuary this month are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of:** *Ann and Oscar Edwards* by Mary and Jimmy Edwards and their family; *Liza Fletcher* for her birthday by her friends; *George Shea Flinn* by his sons George, Fred, and Carl and their families; *Mary Elizabeth Garrott* by her siblings Brandon, Murray, and Allison; *Milla Gieselmann* by her parents and sister; *Dr. Max Wesley Painter* by his family; *Anna Leita Werkhoven and Andrew Werkhoven* by Margaret and James Werkhoven; *Robert Tipton, Jr.* by his mother Deborah Dunklin Tipton and his sister Mary Elisabeth Tipton; *Walker Bush* by his family; **and in thanksgiving for:** *Jackie and George Robertson* by Brandon and Joe Morrison.

## General Fund Giving Update

	This Year Budget	This Year Actual	Variance	Last Year Actual
October	\$ 657,230	\$ 1,087,864	\$ 430,634	\$ 725,281
YTD 7/1/22–10/31/22	\$ 2,580,696	\$ 3,303,674	\$ 722,978	\$ 2,686,041

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## Christmas Flower Order Form

I/We wish to contribute \$\_\_\_\_\_ to the Flower Ministry of Second Presbyterian Church for use in decorating the church for the Christmas season in memory or honor of loved ones. Please acknowledge the gift (omitting the amount) in the bulletin on Sunday, December 18 as follows:

Please check **ONLY** one:  In Memory of  In Honor of  In Gratitude for

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Given by: \_\_\_\_\_

Donor Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

***December 11 is the deadline for the inclusion of names in the bulletin on December 18, 2022.***

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