



ORDER FOR THE  
PUBLIC WORSHIP *of* GOD

October 18, 2020

*Trinity Season*

## WELCOME TO WORSHIP

- It is helpful for us to know who is worshipping on campus. If you haven't registered to attend, please visit [2pc.org](http://2pc.org) now and use the buttons at the top of the homepage to let us know you're here!
- To help everyone keep proper distance when exiting, please exit by row to the closest exterior Sanctuary door (back rows to the North doors; front rows to the South doors). Also, please keep masks on throughout the worship service and while on campus.
- A live stream of services is available at [2pc.org/live](http://2pc.org/live) for those unable to attend at this time.
- 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.
- **52 Reasons Devotion Series:** In July of this year, Pastor George introduced an encouraging weekly devotional regarding the importance of corporate worship for the people of God. To follow that series, click "media" at the top of our homepage at [2pc.org](http://2pc.org), subscribe to our social media channels (@2PCMemphis), or find it in the Messenger email newsletter each Friday.
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# Morning Worship

8:15 & 11:00 a.m.

## THE GLORY OF GOD

PRELUDE: Meditation on “Amazing Grace” . . . . . Frederick Swann  
*Samuel Metzger, organ*

✦CALL TO WORSHIP . . . . . Artez Henderson  
*For the protection of our community during the pandemic, singing along to hymns is discouraged.*

✦HYMN OF PRAISE: “The Solid Rock” . . . . . SOLID ROCK  
*Words: Edward Mote / Music: William Bradbury / I Corinthians 3:11*

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus’ blood and righteousness;  
I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus’ name.

*On Christ the solid rock I stand,  
All other ground is sinking sand,  
All other ground is sinking sand.*

When darkness veils His lovely face, I rest on His unchanging grace;  
In every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil.

His oath, His covenant, His blood support me in the whelming flood;  
When all around my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.

When He shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in Him be found;  
Dressed in His righteousness alone, faultless to stand before the throne.

✦INVOCATION

✦STATEMENT OF FAITH . . . . . Colossians 1:15-20

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.**

✦DOXOLOGY . . . . . OLD HUNDREDTH

*Words: Thomas Ken / Psalm 150*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him, above ye heav'nly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF CHRISTIAN BAPTISM

*8:15 a.m.*

*Robert McLaren Finnell, born October 9, 2019, son of Lauren and Bill Finnell*

*11:00 a.m.*

*Carter Ellis Tait, born January 16, 2020, daughter of Blair and Tom Tait*

*Elizabeth Rose Zambetti, born January 19, 2020, daughter of Maggie and Ben Zambetti*

SONG OF ENCOURAGEMENT: "Jesus Loves You" . . . . . JESUS LOVES ME

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.

THE GRACE OF GOD

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Have mercy on us, O God, according to Your unfailing love.  
Blot out our transgressions according to Your great compassion.  
We have sinned against You and You alone  
and have done what is evil in Your sight.  
Cleanse us, and we shall be clean;  
wash us, and we shall be whiter than snow.  
Create in us a pure heart, O God,  
and renew a steadfast spirit within us.  
Restore to us the joy of our salvation,  
and grant us a willing spirit.  
For we pray in the name of our beloved Savior,  
who is a Friend of sinners like us.**

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON. . . . . Jeremiah 33:8

*I will cleanse them from all the guilt of their sin against me,  
and I will forgive all the guilt of their sin and rebellion against me.*

WORSHIP OF GOD WITH THE GIFTS OF GOD

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "Witness" ..... arr. Jack Halloran

*Words and Music: African American Spiritual / John 3:1-21, Judges 16*

Who'll be a witness for my Lord?  
Oh, I'll be a witness for my Lord.

There was a man of the Pharisees, his name was Nicodemus and he didn't believe.  
The same came to Christ by night, wanted to be taught out of human sight.  
Nicodemus was a man who desired to know how a man can be born when he is old.  
Christ told Nicodemus as a friend, "Man, you must be born again."  
He said, "Marvel not. If you want to be wise, repent, believe and be baptized."

Then you'll be a witness for my Lord. You'll be a witness for my Lord.  
You'll be a witness for my Lord. Soul is a witness for my Lord.

You read about Samson, from his birth he was the strongest man that ever lived on earth.  
Way back yonder in the ancient times, he killed ten thousand of the Philistines.  
Then old Samson went a wandering about. Samson's strength was never found out.  
"Til his wife sat up on his knee. She said, "Tell me where your strength lies, if you please."  
Well old Samson's wife, she talked so fair, Samson said, "Cut off a my hair. Cut it off.  
"Shave my head just as clean as your hand, and my strength will come like a natural man."

Samson was a witness for my Lord. Samson was a witness for my Lord.  
Samson was a witness for my Lord. Soul is a witness for my Lord.

There's another witness. There's another witness. There is another witness.  
There is another witness for my Lord! My soul is a witness for my Lord!

*The Chancel Choir  
Calvin Ellis, director*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS *(See announcements on pages 10-11.)*

VIDEO: A WORD TO THE CHILDREN ..... Dylan Franklin

## THE WISDOM OF GOD

◆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: "Psalm 77: O God, Most Holy Are Your Ways" . . . . .ST. PETERSBURG

Music: Dmitri Bortniansky / Psalm 77:13-20

O God, most holy are Your ways, and who like You deserves my praise?  
You only do such wondrous things, the whole wide world Your glory sings;  
Your outstretched arm Your people saved, though sore distressed and long enslaved.

O God, from You the waters fled, the depths were moved with mighty dread,  
The swelling clouds their torrents poured, and o'er the earth the tempest roared;  
'Mid lightning's flash and thunder's sound great trembling shook the solid ground.

Your way was in the sea, O God, through mighty waters, deep and broad.  
None understood but God alone, to man Your footsteps were unknown;  
But safe Your people You did keep, almighty Shepherd of Your sheep.

SCRIPTURE LESSON. . . . . Exodus 37:1-9

Bezalel made the ark of acacia wood. Two cubits and a half was its length, a cubit and a half its breadth, and a cubit and a half its height. And he overlaid it with pure gold inside and outside, and made a molding of gold around it. And he cast for it four rings of gold for its four feet, two rings on its one side and two rings on its other side. And he made poles of acacia wood and overlaid them with gold and put the poles into the rings on the sides of the ark to carry the ark. And he made a mercy seat of pure gold. Two cubits

and a half was its length, and a cubit and a half its breadth. And he made two cherubim of gold. He made them of hammered work on the two ends of the mercy seat, one cherub on the one end, and one cherub on the other end. Of one piece with the mercy seat he made the cherubim on its two ends. The cherubim spread out their wings above, overshadowing the mercy seat with their wings, with their faces one to another; toward the mercy seat were the faces of the cherubim.

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

SERMON: The Mercy Seat . . . . .George Robertson

- I. Holiness of God
- II. Faithfulness of God
- III. Sovereignty of God
- IV. Justice of God
- V. Mercy of God

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

✦BENEDICTION

✦CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

POSTLUDE: Prélude et Toccata sur "Victime Paschali Laudes" . . . . .Denis Bédard

*Christians, to the Paschal Lamb offer your thankful praises!  
 A Lamb the sheep redeemeth: Christ, who only is sinless, reconcileth sinners to the Father;  
 Death and life have contended in that combat stupendous: The Prince of Life, who died, reigns immortal.  
 Speak Mary, declaring what thou sawest wayfaring: "The Tomb of Christ, who is living.  
 The glory of Jesu's Resurrection; bright angels attesting, the shroud and napkin resting.  
 Yea, Christ my hope is arisen: to Galilee he goes before you."  
 Happy they who hear the witness, Mary's word believing above the tales of Jewry deceiving.  
 Christ indeed from death is risen, our new life obtaining. Have mercy, victor King, ever reigning!*

✦Indicates congregation standing

# Sunday Night Worship

6:00 p.m.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS . . . . . Brandon Terry

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## ✦GOD SO LOVED

Come, all you weary, come, all you thirsty;  
Come to the well that never runs dry.  
Drink of the water; come, and thirst no more.

Come, all you sinners, come find His mercy.  
Come to the table, He will satisfy.  
Taste of His goodness,  
Find what you're looking for.

For God so loved the world that He gave us  
His one and only Son to save us;  
Whoever believes in Him will live forever.

Bring all your failures, bring your addictions,  
Come lay them down at the foot of the cross.  
Jesus is waiting there with open arms.

For God so loved the world that He gave us  
His one and only Son to save us;  
Whoever believes in Him will live forever.  
The power of hell forever defeated;  
Now it is well, I'm walking in freedom.  
For God so loved, God so loved the world.

Praise God, praise God  
From whom all blessings flow.  
Praise Him, praise Him  
For the wonders of His love.

*Words and Music: Andrew Bergthold, Ed Cash, Franni Cain, Martin Cash, and Scott Cash / John 3:16*

## ✦INVOCATION

COMMISSIONING PRAYER FOR ALLISON NEUBERT . . . . . Dan Burns

VIDEO TESTIMONY: SHINE MINISTRY

SCRIPTURE LESSON.....Habakkuk 3:17-19

Though the fig tree should not blossom, nor fruit be on the vines, the produce of the olive fail and the fields yield no food, the flock be cut off from the fold and there be no herd in the stalls, yet I will rejoice in the Lord; I will

take joy in the God of my salvation. God, the Lord, is my strength; he makes my feet like the deer's; he makes me tread on my high places. To the choirmaster: with stringed instruments.

The grass withers, the flower fades,

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

SERMON: Suppose .....George Robertson

- I. A Saving God Produces Joy
- II. A Sovereign Lord Produces Strength

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

## THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

*This is the Lord's table. All who profess their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ are invited to receive communion. If this is not your faith, we would still encourage you to walk forward, knowing that no one will make you take the elements. Any of our elders or pastors will be happy to talk to you about questions or doubts you have about faith in Christ. We encourage children not to take communion until they have joined the church but do welcome them to come forward with their parents to receive a blessing. All communion wafers are gluten free.*

PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

✠O COME TO THE ALTAR

Are you hurting and broken within?  
Overwhelmed by the weight of your sin? Jesus is calling.  
Have you come to the end of yourself?  
Do you thirst for a drink from the well? Jesus is calling.

*O come to the altar. The Father's arms are open wide.  
Forgiveness was bought with the precious blood of Jesus Christ.*

Leave behind your regrets and mistakes.  
Come today, there's no reason to wait; Jesus is calling.  
Bring your sorrows and trade them for joy.  
From the ashes a new life is born; Jesus is calling.

O, what a Savior! Isn't He wonderful?  
Sing hallelujah, Christ is risen!  
Bow down before Him, for He is Lord of all.  
Sing hallelujah, Christ is risen!

*Words and Music: Chris Brown, Mack Brock, Steven Furtick, Wade Joye / Hebrews 4:16*





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### Weekly Focus on Missions

**World Missions:** The Youngs are dealing with a transition from the quiet, slow pace of lockdown to what feels like a much faster pace. Parts of their south-central Asian country are slowly opening, but many restrictions remain. Some teammates are now back with family in the U.S., while others still hope to come live and work in the Youngs’ city. COVID-19 relief needs are enormous in their city, and their team is stepping up. Through their contacts, they have been able to provide food and basic supplies to more than 600 people. Pray for wisdom as they navigate the many changing situations.

**Mission Memphis:** Our partners at Alcy Ball Development Corporation ask that we join them in prayer for unity and partnerships between leaders in their community. Pray also for the many residents seeking to buy homes in the Alcy Ball neighborhood. Finally, pray for Seth and others to have wisdom as they seek to open Rogers Store, their new community building.

### October Flowers

**The flowers in the Sanctuary for the month of October are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of:** *Virginia and Ralph Braden* by their family; *Janice Sullins Shubert* by her daughter Linda Shubert Courtney and her family; *Fred Tarkington* by his daughter, Ferrin Mavar; *Mildred Neal Gadberry and James Clayton Green* by Charlotte and Bob Neal; *Sigi Stiller* by Ingrid Bolding and family; and *James Marvoin Garner* by Mary and Orin Davidson.

### General Fund Giving Update

	This Year Budget	This Year Actual	Variance	Last Year Actual
September	\$ 589,740	\$ 629,941	\$ 40,201	\$ 581,742
YTD 7/1/20–9/30/20	\$ 1,850,018	\$ 1,901,226	\$ 51,208	\$ 1,786,636

## Caring Ministry Update

### Sympathy to:

Lou Martin on the death of her mother, *Iva Lou Hill Flowers*, October 9, 2020.

### In the Hospital (as of 10/14/20)

Blanche Tosh, *Methodist Germantown*  
Walter Little, *Ave Maria Rehab*

## Congregational Communities Meeting On Campus

Some of our adult Congregational Communities (listed below) are meeting on campus on Sundays at 9:45 a.m. If your class isn't listed, it continues to meet online at this time. Our nursery and children's Sunday School classrooms remain closed in the mornings. Children are welcome to attend adult CCs with their parents. There is no registration to attend. Visit [2pc.org/cc](http://2pc.org/cc) for a full list of CCs.

Cornerstone .....	E105 (PDS Library)
Covenant Women .....	D111
Crossroads .....	Fellowship Hall
Emmaus.....	D117
Faith Works.....	B102
Growing in Grace .....	PDS Cafeteria
Single Adults@Second .....	B101

## Women's Equipping Forum with Guest Blair Linne

All women are invited to our next Equipping Forum, titled "Comforted to Comfort," this Tuesday, October 20 from 7:00–8:30 p.m. online via Zoom.

Although many around us are experiencing affliction, we don't always know the best way to comfort them. The Bible tells us that God comforts believers in Christ partly so that we would comfort others with the very comfort God gives us. What does that look like practically? Guest Blair Linne will expound 2 Corinthians 1:3-7 and help us apply this passage to the particulars of our relationships.

Visit [2pc.org/women](http://2pc.org/women) to learn more and register.

## Getting Connected at Second

To find out more about who we are and how you can become part of our church community, or for help with specific concerns, you may contact a member of our pastoral team listed below by calling (901) 454-0034 or emailing [firstname.lastname@2pc.org](mailto:firstname.lastname@2pc.org).

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Gerry Peak, *Pastor to Senior Adults*

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Josh Preston, *Pastoral Resident*  
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