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PUBLIC WORSHIP *of* GOD

September 27, 2020
CityServe Sunday

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 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 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, subscribe to our social media channels (@2PCMemphis), or find it in the Messenger email newsletter each Friday.
- **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!

Morning Worship

8:15 & 11:00 a.m.

PRAISE OUR REDEEMER

PRELUDE: "Adagio" Ola Gjeilo

Brad Jones, piano

CHORAL INTROIT: "Glorious Is the Name of Jesus" Fryson, arr. Ferdinand

Words and Music: Robert J. Fryson; arr. Jason Ferdinand / I Chronicles 16:29

Glorious is the name of Jesus, praises to His name!
Oh, glorious and righteous and holy is His name.
Oh, glorious is His Name!
I feel His presence in this place.
His spirit has control.
Can't you feel his warm embrace and all the joy within your soul?
Oh, glorious is His name!

*Choral Ensemble
Calvin Ellis, director*

CALL TO WORSHIP Brett Wynne

For the protection of our community during the pandemic, singing along to hymns is discouraged.

✦HYMN OF PRAISE: "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!" CORONATION

Words: Edward Perronet / Music: Oliver Holden; arr. Samuel Metzger / Philippians 2:9

All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord of all;
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord of all.
Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, ye ransomed of the fall,
Hail Him who saves you by His grace, and crown Him Lord of all;
Hail Him who saves you by His grace, and crown Him Lord of all.
Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe on this terrestrial ball,
To Him all majesty ascribe, and crown Him Lord of all;
To Him all majesty ascribe, and crown Him Lord of all.
O that with yonder sacred throng we at His feet may fall;
We'll join the everlasting song, and crown Him Lord of all;
We'll join the everlasting song, and crown Him Lord of all.

✦INVOCATION

TRUST OUR REDEEMER

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 in 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. I Peter 2:9-10

*But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession,
that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.
Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people;
once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.*

WORSHIP OF GOD WITH THE GIFTS OF GOD

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "Precious Lord"Dorsey; arr. Sevier

Words and Music: Thomas A. Dorsey; arr. Arnold Sevier / Psalm 37:24

Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand.
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn;
Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light.
Take my hand, Lord, and lead me home.

When my way grows drear, precious Lord, linger near.
When my life is almost gone, at the river, Lord, I stand.
Guide my feet and hold my hand:

Take my hand, Lord, and lead me home.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (See announcements on page 11.)

VIDEO: A WORD TO THE CHILDRENJarrod Hoffman

FOLLOW OUR REDEEMER

A WORD ON CITYSERVE

A PRAYER FOR OUR MINISTRY PARTNERS (See list of ministry partners on page 10.)

✦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 LESSON.....Jeremiah 29:1-9

These are the words of the letter that Jeremiah the prophet sent from Jerusalem to the surviving elders of the exiles, and to the priests, the prophets, and all the people, whom Nebuchadnezzar had taken into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon. This was after King Jeconiah and the queen mother, the eunuchs, the officials of Judah and Jerusalem, the craftsmen, and the metal workers had departed from Jerusalem. The letter was sent by the hand of Elasah the son of Shaphan and Gemariah the son of Hilkiah, whom Zedekiah king of Judah sent to Babylon to Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon. It said: "Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, to all the exiles whom I have sent into exile

from Jerusalem to Babylon: Build houses and live in them; plant gardens and eat their produce. Take wives and have sons and daughters; take wives for your sons, and give your daughters in marriage, that they may bear sons and daughters; multiply there, and do not decrease. But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the Lord on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare. For thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Do not let your prophets and your diviners who are among you deceive you, and do not listen to the dreams that they dream, for it is a lie that they are prophesying to you in my name; I did not send them, declares the Lord.

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

SERMON: Advancing God's Kingdom in the City.....Brian Lewis

- I. **Live** (Jeremiah 29:1-6, 8-9)
- II. **Seek** (Jeremiah 29:7)
- II. **Pray** (Jeremiah 29:7)

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

✦HYMN OF COMMITMENT: "Hallelujah, You're Worthy to be Praised!Judith McAllister

Words and Music: Judith McAllister / Psalm 18:3

Hallelujah, You're worthy to be praised!
I lift my hands, I praise You, Lord. I bow my head, I honor You, Lord.
Hallelujah, You're worthy! Hallelujah, we praise Your name!
Hallelujah, so worthy. Hallelujah, Lord we lift You up!
Lord, we lift You up!

Ephie Johnson, soloist

✦BENEDICTION

✦GOSPEL AMEN

POSTLUDE: "Now Thank We All Our God" Egil Hovland

✦Indicates congregation standing

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Choral Ensemble: Ephie Johnson, Daija McNeil, Jauna Ellis, Kristin Jones, Tabitha Wadkins Brenae Johnson, Haleigh Boykin, Mandy Webb, Shelbie Pittman, Jeremiah Davis, Justin Wadkins, Dre Pinson, Gregory Mason

Instrumentalists: Kenneth Coca, Beth Luscombe, Aubrey Mills, James Ryan, Joe Mariencheck, David Pruitt, Koleton Williams, Samuel Metzger

Caring Ministry Update

Sympathy to:

Gerry Peak on the death of his mother, *Mary Katherine Logan Peak*, September 20, 2020.

Congratulations to:

Mr. and Mrs. Pedro Argoti who were married on September 19, 2020. Mrs. Argoti is the former Julie Jefferson.

In the Hospital (*as of 9/23/20*)

Ann Bailey, Baptist Memphis; Don Jordan, Baptist Rehab; Monta Robinson, Baptist Rehab; Walter Little, Ava Maria Rehab

Weekly Focus on Missions

World Missions: Nick and Amanda live in Beirut about a mile from where the large amount of ammonium nitrate exploded in August that destroyed much of the city. Thankfully, no one in their family was injured and their apartment only suffered minor damage. Please pray for the people of Beirut, for Nick and Amanda’s church family, and for fellow workers as they share Christ and work to recover many homes and businesses.

Mission Memphis: We are thankful for our local ministry partners who have joined us for worship today. Please pray that through encounters in CCs today, our ministry leaders will develop deeper personal connections with our members. Pray also that we as a congregation will be open to how God may lead us to be supportive of and involved with the work He is doing in our city through our partners. Finally, pray that our congregation will become more involved in the neighborhoods where they live and commit to praying earnestly for their neighbors.

September Flowers

The flowers in the Sanctuary for the month of September are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of: *Meredith Fox* by Roy, Terri, Roy III, and Margaux; *Demetra Patton Quinn* by her children and grandchildren; *Forrest Spence* by his parents, Brittany and David, and his siblings, Austin, Miller, and Maggie; and *Jack Cox* by his wife, Helen, and his family **and in honor of:** *Jeanne Broemmelsick Smith’s birthday* by her daughters.

Sunday Night Worship

6:00 p.m.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Artez Henderson

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CALL TO WORSHIP

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✦HEAR THE CALL OF THE KINGDOM

Hear the call of the kingdom, lift your eyes to the King;
Let His song rise within you as a fragrant offering
Of how God, rich in mercy, came in Christ to redeem
All who trust in His unfailing grace.

*King of heaven, we will answer the call. We will follow, bringing hope to the world,
Filled with passion, filled with power to proclaim salvation in Jesus' name.*

Hear the call of the kingdom, to be children of light
With the mercy of heaven, the humility of Christ;
Walking justly before Him, loving all that is right,
That the life of Christ may shine through us.

Hear the call of the kingdom to reach out to the lost
With the Father's compassion in the wonder of the cross,
Bringing peace and forgiveness, and a hope yet to come:
Let the nations put their trust in Him.

Words and Music: Keith and Kristyn Getty, Stuart Townend / Romans 10:14

✦INVOCATION

✦THE LION AND THE LAMB

He's coming on the clouds; kings and kingdoms will bow down.
And every chain will break as broken hearts declare His praise;
For who can stop the Lord Almighty?

*Our God is the Lion, the Lion of Judah.
He's roaring with power and fighting our battles,
And every knee will bow before Him.*

*Our God is the Lamb, the Lamb that was slain.
For the sins of the world, His blood breaks the chains,
And every knee will bow before the Lion and the Lamb; every knee will bow before Him.*

So open up the gates, make way before the King of kings.
The God who comes to save is here to set the captives free;
For who can stop the Lord Almighty?

Words: Brenton Brown, Brian Johnson, Leeland Mooring / Music: Dustin Loehrs, Dan Galbraith

SCRIPTURE LESSON. Psalm 127

Unless the Lord builds the house, those who build it labor in vain. Unless the Lord watches over the city, the watchman stays awake in vain. It is in vain that you rise up early and go late to rest, eating the bread of anxious toil; for he gives to his beloved sleep. Behold, children

are a heritage from the Lord, the fruit of the womb a reward. Like arrows in the hand of a warrior are the children of one's youth. Blessed is the man who fills his quiver with them! He shall not be put to shame when he speaks with his enemies in the gate.

The grass withers, the flower fades,

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

SERMON: Unless the Lord Brian Lewis

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

✦O CHURCH, ARISE

O church, arise, and put your armor on; hear the call of Christ our Captain,
For now the weak can say that they are strong, in the strength that God has given.
With shield of faith and belt of truth, we'll stand against the devil's lies:
An army bold, whose battle cry is love, reaching out to those in darkness.

Our call to war, to love the captive soul, but to rage against the captor;
And with the sword that makes the wounded whole, we will fight with faith and valor.
When faced with trials on ev'ry side, we know the outcome is secure.
And Christ will have the prize for which He died, and inheritance of nations.

Come see the cross, where love and mercy meet, as the Son of God is stricken;
Then see His foes lie crushed beneath His feet, for the Conqueror has risen.
And as the stone is rolled away and Christ emerges from the grave,
This vict'ry march continues till the day ev'ry eye and heart shall see Him.

So Spirit, come, put strength in ev'ry stride, give grace for ev'ry hurdle;
That we may run with faith, to win the prize of a servant, good and faithful.
As saints of old still line the way, retelling triumphs of His grace,
We hear their calls, and hunger for the day when, with Christ, we stand in glory.

Words and Music: Keith Getty, Stuart Townend / Ephesians 6:11

✦PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING.George Robertson

✦BENEDICTION

✦GOSPEL AMEN

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*Gospel Choir: Jauna Ellis, Malaney George, Mandy Webb, Chris Pruet, Gregory Mason, Calvin Ellis
Instrumentalists: Pablo Reyes, Ethan Knight, David Pruitt, Sam Ryden, Claude Hinds, Samuel Metzger*



Alcy Ball

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

Berclair/The Heights

Arise2Read
The Avenue Community Church
Berclair Elementary School
Brinkley Heights Urban Academy
Child Evangelism Fellowship
Iglesia Presbiteriana Esperanza
Su Casa Family Ministries

Binghampton

Binghampton Christian Academy
Citizens for Community Values
Eikon/Nathan Street
Memphis Gridiron Ministries
Refugee Empowerment Program
Service Over Self

Downtown

Advance Memphis
Calvary Rescue Mission
Christ's Community Church
Christian Medical and Dental Association
Downtown Church
JIFF
Memphis Union Mission
Neighborhood Christian Centers, Inc.
Salvation Army
STREETS
Visible Music College
Youth Leadership of Memphis

East Memphis

Campus Outreach at U of M
Christian Psychological Center
Discipling Men
Downline Ministries
Intersarsity at U of M
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 of Memphis
All Saints Presbyterian Church
Campus Outreach at Rhodes
Families Matter
Memphis Teacher Residency
Multi-National Memphis
Reformed University Fellowship at Rhodes
Restore Corps
Union MCUTS

Orange Mound

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

Citywide Partners

Bethany Christian Services
Excel Leadership & Scholarship Program
Life Choices
Memphis Family Connection Center
Memphis Leadership Foundation
One by One
World Relief Memphis

Note: Many of the partners listed serve in multiple areas around our city. For more information about these partners and their additional locations of service, please see our *Mission Memphis Prayer Book* (details below) or visit 2pc.org/neighborhoods for a digital version of the book and neighborhood maps.



Copies of our Mission Memphis Prayer Book are available at the Sanctuary doors today. We created this book last year to help us grow as loving neighbors. It includes ways to pray for each of our ministry partners, maps of several key Memphis neighborhoods where our partners serve, and some general guidelines and exercises you can use to pray for your own neighbors.

CityServe Sunday CC Electives

During the CC hour today (9:45 a.m.), four electives will be offered. In these four CCs, we'll hear from some of our mission partners about the pandemic's effects on education, economic development, relief efforts, and health services.

Many of you pre-registered to attend a class, which was helpful to us in preparing for seating limits. The list of classes and locations is below.

For those who did not pre-register but would like to attend a class, please note: you might arrive at a classroom and be told it is at capacity. If that happens, we encourage you to try another class.

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| <p>1. Education with partners from Memphis Teacher Residency, Berclair Elementary School & Arise2Read (Fellowship Hall)</p> <p>2. Health Services with partners from Christ Community Health Services, Christian Psychological Center & Christian Medical and Dental Association (C310)</p> | <p>3. Relief Efforts with partners from the Neighborhood Christian Centers, Agape Child and Family Services & World Relief-Memphis (Chapel)</p> <p>4. Economic Development with partners from Advance Memphis, Economic Opportunities & My Cup of Tea (C100)</p> |
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CityServe Food Drive

We will collect donations for the annual CityServe Food Drive through October 4. Collection bags are available in the hallways (near decorated donation barrels from the Sanctuary to the Fellowship Hall). Donations will be distributed by our ministry partners at the Neighborhood Christian Centers and the Refugee Empowerment Program. Visit 2pc.org/fooddrive to see the list of suggested items.

What's Next for Congregational Communities

Following six months of virtual CCs and several weeks of on-campus CC electives, we've decided to welcome all adults back to campus for CCs beginning October 4.

What a CC meeting looks like will be different for each class. Some will meet in person, some will meet only virtually, and others will combine both or vary from week to week. Be on the lookout for more details by email on Tuesday, September 29. Until then, touch base with your CC leader or pastor for more information.

Since our nursery and children's Sunday School classes are not able to reopen at this time, families are welcome to bring their children to their CC, and we will all enjoy doing life together.

General Fund Giving Update

	This Year Budget	This Year Actual	Variance	Last Year Actual
August	\$ 627,049	\$ 645,645	\$ 18,596	\$ 598,375
YTD 7/1/20–8/31/20	\$ 1,260,278	\$ 1,250,203	\$ (10,075)	\$ 1,204,893



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