



ORDER FOR THE
PUBLIC WORSHIP *of* GOD

September 19, 2021
Trinity Season

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.
- **Nursery:** Our nursery is available for the 8:15 a.m. service and during the CC hour to ages three and under and for the 6:00 p.m. service to ages four and under. Pre-registration is no longer required.
- Visit 2pc.org/live for a livestream of all services.

MASK POLICY

In recent weeks, we have seen a steady increase in Covid-19 transmission, cases, and hospitalizations in our county caused by the Delta variant.

In an effort to relieve our overburdened healthcare system and workers, as well as to help protect our children and others who are not eligible for vaccination, we've made a change to our mask guidance. We are once again recommending that everyone above the age of 2 wear masks inside our buildings.

The CDC, our local health department, and medical professionals within our church family highly recommend universal indoor masking, regardless of vaccination status. Please join us in loving our neighbors in this tangible way.

In addition, 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.

Morning Worship

8:15 & 11:00 a.m.

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BLESS THE LORD

PRELUDE: "Trumpet Tune" Frederick Swann
"Rhosymedre" from *Three Preludes on Welsh Hymn Tunes* Ralph Vaughan Williams

*My song is love unknown, my Savior's love for me:
Love to the loveless shown that they might lovely be.
But who am I, that for my sake my Lord should take frail flesh and die?*
Samuel Metzger, organ

CALL TO WORSHIP David Bowen

✦HYMN OF PRAISE: No. 27 "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"..... ST. DENIO

Words: Walter Smith / Music: Welsh hymn tune, from John Roberts' Caniadau y Cyssegr; arr. Metzger / I Timothy 1:17

**Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious, Thy great name we praise.**

**Unresting, unhasting and silent as light,
Nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might;
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above
Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.**

**To all, life Thou givest, to both great and small,
In all life Thou livest, the true life of all;
We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,
And wither and perish, but naught changeth Thee.**

**Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,
Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight;
All praise we would render; O help us to see
'Tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee!**

✦INVOCATION

♣PSALTER LESSON: Selections from Psalm 103 Kelsie Ellison (8:15)
Min Song (11:00)

Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name!
Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits,

**who forgives all your iniquity,
who heals all your diseases,
who redeems your life from the pit,
who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,
who satisfies you with good
so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.**

He does not deal with us according to our sins,
nor repay us according to our iniquities.

**For as high as the heavens are above the earth,
so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;
as far as the east is from the west,
so far does he remove our transgressions from us.**

Bless the LORD, O you his angels,
you mighty ones who do his word, obeying the voice of his word!
Bless the LORD, all his hosts, his ministers, who do his will!

**Bless the LORD, all his works,
in all places of his dominion.
Bless the LORD, O my soul!**

♣CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSEarr. Dan Galbraith

Words and Music: Jonas Myrin, Matt Redman; arr. Dan Galbraith / Psalm 103

**Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul.
Worship His holy name.
Sing like never before, O my soul.
I'll worship Your holy name.**

RECEIVE HIS GRACIOUS PROVISION

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God our heavenly Father,
how comforting to know that You declare sinners like us
completely forgiven, totally accepted, and profoundly loved
through faith in Jesus Christ alone.
In humility, we confess we have neglected Your Word,
resisted Your will, and disbelieved Your promises of grace.
Renew us, we pray, according to Your steadfast love.
Restore us to the joy of Your salvation
so that we might delight in Your will,
rest in Your promises,
and live to the glory of Your holy name.
It's in Jesus we pray.**

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON..... Isaiah 1:18

*Come now, let us reason together, says the LORD:
though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow;
though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.*

WORSHIP OF GOD WITH THE GIFTS OF GOD

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OFFERTORY: “Jesu, Joy of Man’s Desiring” Johann Sebastian Bach, arr. Breck

Jesu, joy of man’s desiring, Holy wisdom, Love most bright,
Drawn by Thee, our souls aspiring, soaring to uncreated light.
Word of God, our flesh that fashioned, with the fire of life impassioned.
Striving still to truth unknown; soaring, dying round Thy throne.
Through the way where hope is guiding; hark, what peaceful music rings!
Where the flock, in Thee confiding, drink of joy in deathless springs.
Theirs is beauty’s fairest treasure; theirs is wisdom’s holiest treasure.
Thou dost ever lead Thine own, in the love of joys unknown.

*The Chancel Choir
Calvin Ellis, director*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

VIDEO: A WORD TO THE CHILDREN Carol Overcast
Membership Coordinator

ABIDE IN HIS LIFE-GIVING WORD

A PRAYER FOR CHURCH TEACHERS

✦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. 354 "What the Lord Has Done in Me" . . . WHAT THE LORD HAS DONE

Words and Music: Reuben Morgan / Matthew 21:9

Soloist

Let the weak say I am strong. Let the poor say I am rich.
Let the blind say I can see. It's what the Lord has done in me.
Hosanna, hosanna to the Lamb that was slain.
Hosanna, hosanna, Jesus died and rose again.

✦ *Congregation stands and sings:*

**Into the river I will wade. There my sins are washed away.
From the heaven's mercy stream of the Savior's love for me.**

*Hosanna, hosanna to the Lamb that was slain.
Hosanna, hosanna, Jesus died and rose again.*

**I will rise from waters deep into the saving arms of God.
I will sing salvation songs. Jesus Christ has set me free.**

*Sarah Caitlin Wheat, soloist
James Ryan, piano*

SCRIPTURE LESSON. Revelation 15:1-8

¹Then I saw another sign in heaven, great and amazing, seven angels with seven plagues, which are the last, for with them the wrath of God is finished.

²And I saw what appeared to be a sea of glass mingled with fire—and also those who had conquered the beast and its image and the number of its name, standing beside the sea of glass with harps of God in their hands. ³And they sing the song of Moses, the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying,

"Great and amazing are your deeds,
O Lord God the Almighty!
Just and true are your ways,
O King of the nations!
⁴Who will not fear, O Lord,

and glorify your name?
For you alone are holy.
All nations will come and worship you,
for your righteous acts have been revealed."

⁵After this I looked, and the sanctuary of the tent of witness in heaven was opened, ⁶and out of the sanctuary came the seven angels with the seven plagues, clothed in pure, bright linen, with golden sashes around their chests. ⁷And one of the four living creatures gave to the seven angels seven golden bowls full of the wrath of God who lives forever and ever, ⁸and the sanctuary was filled with smoke from the glory of God and from his power, and no one could enter the sanctuary until the seven plagues of the seven angels were finished.

The grass withers, the flower fades,

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

SERMON: Glory, Glory, Hallelujah! George Robertson

I. Confidently Endure (*Revelation 15:1-4*)

II. Faithfully Keep Commands (*Revelation 15:5-8*)

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

✦ BENEEDICTION

✦ CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

✦ POSTLUDE: "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" Richard Elliott

✦ *Indicates congregation standing*

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Sunday Night Worship

6:00 p.m.

♣CALL TO WORSHIP..... Kevin McQuillen

♣EVERLASTING GOD

**Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord,
We will wait upon the Lord, we will wait upon the Lord.**

**Our God, You reign forever.
Our Hope, our strong Deliv'rer.**

**You are the everlasting God, the everlasting God.
You do not faint, You won't grow weary.
You're the defender of the weak,
You comfort those in need.
You lift us up on wings like eagles.**

Words and Music: Brenton Brown and Ken Riley

♣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

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¹Now there arose a great outcry of the people and of their wives against their Jewish brothers. ²For there were those who said, "With our sons and our daughters, we are many. So let us get grain, that we may eat and keep alive." ³There were also those who said, "We are mortgaging our fields, our vineyards, and our houses to get grain because of the famine." ⁴And there were those who said, "We have borrowed money for the king's tax on our fields and our vineyards. ⁵Now our flesh is as the flesh of our brothers, our children are as their children. Yet we are forcing our sons and our daughters to be slaves, and some of our daughters have already been enslaved, but it is not in our power to help it, for other men have our fields and our vineyards."

⁶I was very angry when I heard their outcry and these words. ⁷I took counsel with myself, and I brought charges against the nobles and the officials. I said to them, "You are exacting interest, each from his brother." And I held a great assembly against them ⁸and said to them, "We, as far as we are able, have bought back our Jewish brothers who have been sold to the nations, but you even sell your brothers that they may be sold to us!" They were silent and could not find a word to say. ⁹So I said, "The thing that you are doing is not good. Ought you not to walk in the fear of our God to prevent the taunts of the nations our enemies? ¹⁰Moreover, I and my brothers and my servants are lending them money and grain. Let us abandon this exacting of interest. ¹¹Return to them this very day their fields, their vineyards, their olive orchards, and their houses, and the

percentage of money, grain, wine, and oil that you have been exacting from them." ¹²Then they said, "We will restore these and require nothing from them. We will do as you say." And I called the priests and made them swear to do as they had promised. ¹³I also shook out the fold of my garment and said, "So may God shake out every man from his house and from his labor who does not keep this promise. So may he be shaken out and emptied." And all the assembly said "Amen" and praised the LORD. And the people did as they had promised.

¹⁴Moreover, from the time that I was appointed to be their governor in the land of Judah, from the twentieth year to the thirty-second year of Artaxerxes the king, twelve years, neither I nor my brothers ate the food allowance of the governor. ¹⁵The former governors who were before me laid heavy burdens on the people and took from them for their daily ration forty shekels of silver. Even their servants lorded it over the people. But I did not do so, because of the fear of God. ¹⁶I also persevered in the work on this wall, and we acquired no land, and all my servants were gathered there for the work. ¹⁷Moreover, there were at my table 150 men, Jews and officials, besides those who came to us from the nations that were around us. ¹⁸Now what was prepared at my expense for each day was one ox and six choice sheep and birds, and every ten days all kinds of wine in abundance. Yet for all this I did not demand the food allowance of the governor, because the service was too heavy on this people. ¹⁹Remember for my good, O my God, all that I have done for this people.

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

SERMON: What's the Motive Behind the Motive? Dan Burns

- I. Nehemiah was motivated by the law of God.
- II. Nehemiah was motivated by compassion for the people of God.
- III. Nehemiah was motivated by the global mission of God.

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PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

✠JESUS IS MINE

**Fade, fade, each earthly joy, Jesus is mine.
Stronger than fleeting hopes, Jesus is mine.
Dark is the wilderness, earth has no resting place,
Jesus alone can bless; Jesus is mine.**

**In days of fragile peace, Jesus is mine.
Through tearful nights of grief, Jesus is mine.
His voice commands the storm, His presence stills my soul.
He will sustain my hope, Jesus is mine.**

*Jesus is mine, Jesus is mine.
When all else fails, He still remains.
Jesus is mine.*

**When on that final day, Jesus is mine;
Before His radiant face, Jesus is mine.
Safe in His arms I'll cling, praising my Savior King.
Forevermore I'll sing: "Jesus is mine."**

Words and Music: Jane Catherine Lundie Bonar, Jordan Kauflin, Keith Getty, Matthew Merker

✠ALL I HAVE IS CHRIST

**I once was lost in darkest night, yet thought I knew the way.
The sin that promised joy and life had led me to the grave.
I had no hope that You would own, a rebel to Your will.
And if You had not loved me first, I would refuse You still.**

*Hallelujah! All I have is Christ.
Hallelujah! Jesus is my life.*

**But as I ran my hell-bound race, indiff'rent to the cost
You looked upon my helpless state and led me to the cross;
And I beheld God's love displayed, You suffered in my place,
And bore the wrath reserved for me, now all I know is grace.**

**Now, Lord, I would be Yours alone and live so all might see,
The strength to follow Your commands could never come from me.
O Father, use my ransomed life in any way You choose,
And let my song forever be: My only boast is You.**

Music: Jordan Kauflin / Isaiah 53:4-6

✦PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

✦BENEDICTION

✦GOSPEL AMEN

✦*Indicates congregation standing*

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*Gospel Choir: Dominique Jones, Hannah Crowley, Jauna Ellis,
Adrianna Christmas, Haleigh Boykin, Nick Kokoropoulos, Calvin Ellis
Instrumentalists: Ben Hughes, acoustic guitar; Robb Roaten, bass guitar;
David Pruitt, drums; James Ryan, piano*

Inquirers Class: September 24–25

The Inquirers Class is designed to answer questions about the Christian faith and community at Second. It gives participants the opportunity to meet pastors, staff, and church members, as well as to pursue membership. The next class will be September 24-25.

Visit 2pc.org/inquirers to learn more and register, or stop by to visit Malaney George in the Connector (outside the west middle doors of the Sanctuary) today between the morning worship services. Note: The deadline to register for the class is September 22.

Fall Congregational Prayer Meetings

On CityServe Sunday in August, we were challenged to consider how we might engage our city with the gospel of Christ. A key way we can participate in our Father's mission is through prayer. We invite you to join us for corporate prayer on **October 6** and **November 3**.

This guided congregational prayer time, led by our staff, will meet from 12:00-12:45 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Please join us to call upon the name of the Lord and seek His mercy and guidance for our church, our city, our country, and our world.

Caring Ministry Update

Sympathy to:

Clay Smythe on the death of his father, *William Hamilton Smythe III*, September 10, 2021.

Dot Fisher and Woodson Dunavant on the death of their father, *William B. Dunavant, Jr.*, September 11, 2021.

The family of *Michael R. Twitty III* on his death, September 14, 2021.

Congratulations to: David and Audrey Heppe on the birth of a son, *Martin Edward Heppe*, September 9, 2021.

In the Hospital (as of 9/15/21):
Eva Miller, *Signature Health & Rehab*
Olin Morris, *Methodist Germantown*
Mary Jo Gordon, *St. Francis Rehab*
Steve Austin, *Baptist Memphis*

Weekly Prayer Focus

World Missions–Haley: Haley reports from Annoor that their hospital is growing full again, and the staff is glad so many patients have found their way to them for treatment of TB. Please pray that the multi-drug resistant cases continue to improve with minimal side effects. She is grateful for the camaraderie among the staff, both foreign and local, and asks that we pray for their work to further God’s glory as they communicate across several language and cultural barriers. They have great resources and staffing needs; please ask the Lord to meet these needs so they can continue to serve patients.

Mission Memphis–Memphis Gridiron Ministries: MGM seeks to use the unique environment of youth football to share and model the Gospel of Christ to boys in grade school, coaching them not only athletically but also spiritually and relationally. MGM helps boys reject the “win-at-all-costs” mentality and develop in its place the honor, integrity, and selflessness of Christ. They praise God for sending 36 boys to play football this fall. Please pray for them as they seek to coach and minister to these boys in the midst of the pandemic.

2PC Ministry–Elders: Elders at Second are nominated by the congregation and trained, examined, and approved by the Session before being elected by the congregation to oversee the spiritual welfare of the church. They do this by exemplifying Christ-like character, studying and teaching the Scriptures, praying and caring for members, and stepping in to guide and warn members straying from the truth. Please pray that our elders would have an abiding love for God’s Word; would be hopeful, patient, and constant in prayer; would have a renewed joy, faith, and humility in following Christ; and would be guided by wisdom and compassion as they shepherd God’s people at Second.

September Flowers

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

General Fund Giving Update

	This Year Budget	This Year Actual	Variance	Last Year Actual
August	\$ 611,660	\$ 838,948	\$ 227,288	\$ 668,356
YTD 7/1/21–8/31/21	\$ 1,229,724	\$ 1,423,953	\$ 194,229	\$ 1,272,637



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