



ORDER FOR THE
PUBLIC WORSHIP *of* GOD

August 24, 2025
CityServe Sunday

Morning Worship

8:15 & 11:00 a.m.

The order of worship for the evening service begins on page 8.

Call to Worship: God invites us into His presence to worship in spirit and in truth—beginning a dialogue that continues throughout the service.

CROWN HIM WITH PRAISE

PRELUDE: “Variations on SOLID ROCK” arr. Asriel Davis

♣CALL TO WORSHIP: Philippians 2:9-11 Brian Lewis

♣HYMN OF PRAISE: No. 256 “Crown Him with Many Crowns” Lifeway Worship

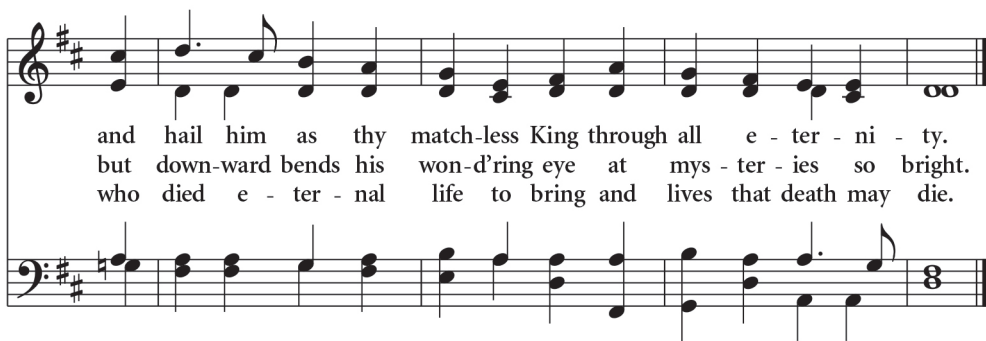
Words: Matthew Bridges, Godfrey Thring / Music: Sir George Job Elvey / Revelation 19:12

1. Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne:
2. Crown him the Lord of love: be - hold his hands and side —
3. Crown him the Lord of life: who tri - umphed o'er the grave,

hark! how the heav'n-ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own!
rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, in beau - ty glo - ri - fied.
who rose vic - to - rious in the strife for those he came to save.

A - wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
No an - gel in the sky can ful - ly bear that sight,
His glo - ries now we sing, who died and rose on high,

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It features three systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line.



Invocation: The word invocation means “to appeal to” or “cry out to.” In this prayer, we lift our hands and call on our Father to come and help us worship Him for who He is and all He has done.

◆INVOCATION

◆EPISTLE LESSON: Colossians 1:15-20Eric Ballentine, *STREETS* (8:15)
Carol Jackson, *Families Matter* (11:00)

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.**

◆CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSELifeway Worship

**Crown Him the Lord of heav’n:
One with the Father known,
One with the Spirit through Him giv’n
From yonder glorious throne.
To Thee be endless praise,
For Thou for us hast died;
Be Thou, O Lord, through endless days
Adorned and magnified.**

RECEIVE HIS GRACE

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 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.**

Assurance of Pardon: Having confessed our sins, the pastor declares God's promise of forgiveness—assuring us that through Christ's atonement, those who truly repent are freed from guilt and shame by His mercy.

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON. Colossians 1:13-14

*He has delivered us from the domain of darkness
and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son,
in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.*

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "Jesus Loves Me" with "The Love of God" Cliff Duren

Words and Music: Anna Warner, Phil Barfoot, Rebecca Peck, William Bradbury; arr. Cliff Duren

Jesus loves me, this I know, for the Bible, it tells me so.

Little ones to Him belong. They are weak, but He is strong.

Yes! Jesus loves me, for the Bible tells me so.

Jesus loves me, and He holds me close when I'm hurting, and I'm all alone.

I can trust His matchless grace, for He will lead me all the way!

Yes! Jesus loves me, for the Bible tells me so.

O love of God, how rich and pure, how measureless and strong!

It shall forevermore endure — the saints' and angels' song!

Oh! Yes! Jesus loves me, for the Bible tells me so.

*Soloist: Ephie Johnson, Neighborhood Christian Centers
The Chancel Choir
Calvin Ellis, director*

✦PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

✦GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

A WORD ON CITYSERVE

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN.Randi Meyer
Domestic Outreach Coordinator

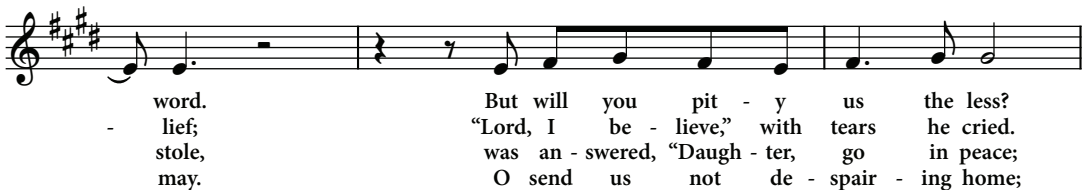
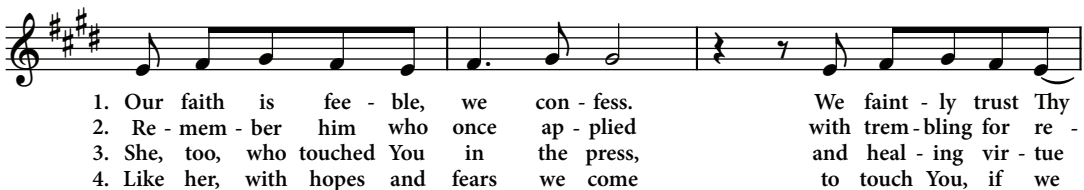
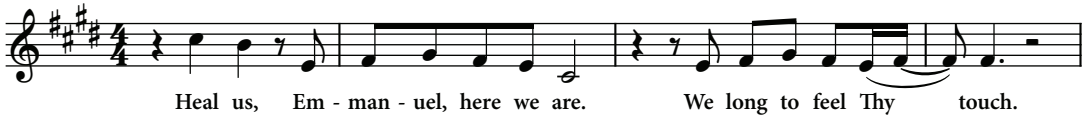
FOLLOW HIM WITH JOY

✦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: "Heal Us".....Indelible Grace

Words: William Cowper / Music: Kevin Twit, Lucas Morton / Luke 6:17-19



SCRIPTURE LESSON..... Psalm 73:17-18
(page 486 in pew Bible)

The grass withers, the flower fades,

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

SERMON: Here ... at 4055 Poplar in Your City of Memphis George Robertson

I. You Place them on Slippery Ground: Lost in Space (v. 18)

II. I Entered the Sanctuary: Found in a Place (v. 17)

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

✦HYMN OF COMMITMENT: "Is He Worthy?".....Andrew Peterson

Words and Music: Andrew Peterson, Ben Shive, John Francis Wade; arr. Dan Forrest / Revelation 5:12

Calvin and Jauna Ellis, duet

Congregation sings words printed in bold.

Worthy is the Lamb that was slain.

Do you feel the world is broken? **We do.**

Do you feel the shadows deepen? **We do.**

But do you know that all the dark

Won't stop the light from getting through? **We do.**

Do you wish that you could see it all made new? **We do.**

Is all creation groaning? **It is.** Is a new creation coming? **It is.**

Is the glory of the Lord to be the light within our midst? **It is.**

Is it good that we remind ourselves of this? **It is.**

Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole?

Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll?

The Lion of Judah, who conquered the grave:

He is David's Root and the Lamb who died to ransom the slave.

Is He worthy? Is He worthy of all blessing and honor and glory?

Is He worthy of this? He is.

Does the Father truly love us? **He does.**

Does the Spirit move among us? **He does.**

And does Jesus, our Messiah, hold forever those He loves? **He does.**

Does our God intend to dwell again with us? **He does.**

Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole?

Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll?

The Lion of Judah, who conquered the grave:

He is David's Root and the Lamb who died to ransom the slave.

From ev'ry people and tribe, every nation and tongue,

He has made us a kingdom and priests to God to reign with the Son.

Is He worthy? Is He worthy of all blessing and honor and glory?

Is He worthy? Is He worthy? Is He worthy of this?

✦BENEDICTION

✦GOSPEL AMEN

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

✦POSTLUDE: "Toccata" from *Symphony No. 5 in f minor* Charles Widor

✦Indicates congregation standing

Benediction: God's people
receive the Lord's blessing and
are sent into the world, carrying
the hope of the Gospel.

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Sermon Notes

Sunday Night Worship

6:00 p.m.

Call to Worship: God invites us into His presence to worship in spirit and in truth—beginning a dialogue that continues throughout the service.

♣CALL TO WORSHIP Josh Preston

♣HOUSE OF THE LORD Phil Wickham

Words and Music: Jonathan Smith, Phil Wickham / Psalm 122:1

**We worship the God who was; we worship the God who is;
We worship the God who evermore will be.
He opened the prison doors; He parted the raging sea—
My God, He holds the victory.**

*There's joy in the house of the Lord.
There's joy in the house of the Lord today,
And we won't be quiet—we shout out Your praise.
There's joy in the house of the Lord, our God is surely in this place,
And we won't be quiet—we shout out Your praise.*

**We sing to the God who heals; we sing to the God who saves;
We sing to the God who always makes a way.
'Cause He hung up on that cross, then He rose up from that grave—
My God's still rolling stones away!**

**We were the beggars, now we're royalty.
We were the prisoners, now we're running free.
We are forgiven, accepted, redeemed by His grace,
Let the house of the Lord sing praise!**

♣INVOCATION

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GOD OF REVIVAL Phil Wickham

Words and Music: Brian Johnson, Phil Wickham / Jeremiah 29:7

✦ *Congregation stands and joins at worship team's direction*

**We've seen what You can do, O God of Wonders—
Your power has no end.
The things You've done before in greater measure
You will do again.**

**There's no prison wall You can't break through,
No mountain You can't move, all things are possible.
There's no broken body You can't raise,
No soul that You can't save, all things are possible.**

*The darkest night—You can light it up,
You can light it up, O God of Revival.
Let hope arise; death is overcome,
You've already won, O God of Revival.*

**You rose in victory and now You're seated
Forever on the throne.
So why should my heart fear what You've defeated?
I will trust in You alone.**

**Come awaken Your people; come awaken this city;
O God of Revival, pour it out, pour it out.
Every stronghold will crumble, hear the chains hit the ground;
O God of Revival, pour it out, pour it out.**

✦ PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

✦ GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SCRIPTURE LESSON.Matthew 5:13-16
(page 810 in pew Bible)

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

SERMON: Engaging the World Around Us. Brian Lewis

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

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INVITATION TO THE TABLE

✦PROFESSION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth;
and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead and buried;
He descended into hell;
the third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead;
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic* church;
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**universal*

The Apostles' Creed: This concise summary of core Christian beliefs offers a clear framework for understanding who God is, the work of Jesus, the nature of the Christian life, and our hope for eternity. Though not written by the apostles, it summarizes what they taught.

PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

COMPASSION HYMN Getty, Townend

Words and Music: Keith and Kristyn Getty, Stuart Townend / Psalm 86:15

**There is an everlasting kindness You lavished on us
When the Radiance of heaven came to rescue the lost;
You called the sheep without a shepherd to leave their distress
For Your streams of forgiveness and the shade of Your rest.
And with compassion for the hurting, You reached out Your hand
As the lame ran to meet You and the dead breathed again;
You saw behind the eyes of sorrow and shared in our tears,
Heard the sigh of the weary, let the children draw near.
*What boundless love, what fathomless grace
You have shown us, O God of compassion!
Each day we live, an offering of praise
As we show to the world Your compassion.*
We stood beneath the cross of Calv'ry and gazed on Your face,
At the thorns of oppression and the wounds of disgrace;
For surely You have borne our suff'ring and carried our grief
As You pardoned the scoffer and showed grace to the thief.
How beautiful the feet that carry this Gospel of peace
To the fields of injustice and the valleys of need
To be a voice of hope and healing, to answer the cries
Of the hungry and helpless with the mercy of Christ.**

♠HYMN OF THANKSGIVING: REVELATION 19:1 Maverick City

Words and Music: A. Jeffrey LaValley / Revelation 19:1

Hal - le - lu - jah! Sal -

All prais - es be to the

Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le -

- va - tion and glo - ry,

King of Kings and the

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- le - lu - jah! He is won - der - ful.

Lord our God is might - y, the

prais - es be to the

Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le -

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Lord our God is om-nip-o-tent, the
King of Kings and the
-lu-jah, hal-le-lu-jah, hal-le-lu-jah, hal-le-lu-jah, hal -
Lord our God, He is won-der-ful.
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-le-lu-jah! He is won-der-ful.

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Fall at Second & Wednesday Night Dinner

Visit 2pc.org/fall for a list of fall events, details about Bible studies for adults and support ministries (divorce recovery and grief share), and information about programs for youth and children—some are underway and others begin soon! Most require registration. Also, don't miss Wednesday night dinner in the Fellowship Hall each week from 5:00–6:15 p.m. Visit 2pc.org/dinner to view the menu.

Congregational Meeting

The Session has called the congregation to meet today at the 8:15 and 11:00 a.m. worship services to approve the slate of 2026 officer nominees for training and to hear reports from the Staff and Finance & Facilities Committees.

Inquirers Class

Interested in learning more about Second or becoming a member? Our Fall Inquirers class, meeting September 12–14, is a great opportunity for you to get to know us better! Visit 2pc.org/inquirers to learn more.

Weekly Worship Playlist

Did you know that a weekly playlist of the hymns and songs that will be sung in our Sunday morning and evening services is available? This is a helpful tool for personal and family worship throughout the week and a great way to become familiar with songs you may not yet know. Visit 2pc.org/playlist to follow the playlist on the platform of your choice.

Caring Ministry Update

In the Hospital (*as of 8/20/25*):

Becky Dickey, *Village at Germantown Rehab*
Beverly Carrick, *Allen Morgan Rehab (no visitors)*

Weekly Prayer Focus

World Missions–Aaron and Katie: Aaron and Katie have had a challenging summer because of the Middle East conflicts erupting near them. They are grateful that the skies are peaceful again and that they can concentrate on language acquisition and the new baby due this fall. They are reaching their goals in learning Arabic and have enrolled in a Christian language center to focus on higher level vocabulary. Also, they enjoyed their family conference in Cyprus last month, finding profound encouragement in the presence of the Lord. Please pray for Katie's last trimester, for a smooth delivery, and a healthy mom and baby. For the boys, pray for Aidan's new preschool and their adjustment to a new baby in the months ahead. Pray also for the Lord's open door as they decide on what ministry opportunities will be best for their second term in training.

Mission Memphis–Local Partners: Praise God for our local ministry partners serving throughout Memphis. From community development corporations, youth programs, churches and Christian schools, refugee and immigrant ministries, and organizations serving those recovering from addiction, facing unplanned pregnancies, fleeing trafficking, or experiencing homelessness, Second is privileged to link arms with Christians across Memphis who are committed to seeking our city's flourishing together. Pray that we as a congregation will be intentionally open to how God may lead us to be supportive of and involved with the work He is doing through our partners.

2PC Ministry–Domestic Missions: Domestic Missions at Second partners with local ministries across Memphis as well as with ministries across the United States. Pray for Brian Lewis, Randi Meyer, and our newest team member, Kevesha Snow, as they guide this work and ask God to direct their partnerships in the city. Pray also that the Holy Spirit would move our congregation to serve throughout Memphis, that the gospel would transform lives in underserved communities through both compassionate acts of mercy and the good news of Jesus, and that steadfast, mutual relationships would grow between our church and those served by our ministry partners.

Find Your Way to Serve & Connect in Our City



Each year, CityServe Sunday invites us to see the needs in our city and consider how we can serve alongside our local partners.

To consider a “next step” in your personal ministry to our city, please scan the QR code to complete a short interest form!

Options include participating in an Alcy Ball community event on September 20, volunteering with partners, praying, and more.

Sunday School Hour

During the Sunday School hour today, beginning at 9:45 a.m., our ministry partners will visit classes for panel-style discussion. Some classes are combining. See below for locations.

Growing in Grace + International Christian Fellowship	DB02 (PDS Cafeteria)
Sojourners.....	Fellowship Hall West
FaithWorks + Fellowship	Salmon Room
Senior Class + Single Adults at Second + Covenant Women.....	C310
Canon + Biblical Truth	Chapel
Cana.....	E111
Emmaus + 2:42.....	DB11
Cornerstone.....	E105
Crossroads.....	Fellowship Hall East
Wanderers	B102
Youth (Jr. and Sr. High).....	Youth Lounge

CITYSERVE FOOD DRIVE



Our annual Food Drive kicks off today! Brown paper collection bags are available for pick-up outside the Sanctuary. Through September 14, we will be collecting food and other necessary supplies for the most vulnerable in our city.

Drop off barrels are located throughout the hallways (near the Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall as well as in the Recreation Lobby).

Visit 2pc.org/fooddrive for the list of most-needed items.

Mission Memphis Partners

A Way Out Ministries	Memphis Christian Pastors Network
Adult & Teen Challenge Heartland	Memphis City Seminary
Advance Memphis	Memphis Family Connection Center
Agape Child & Family Services, Inc.	Memphis Gridiron Ministries
Alcy Ball Development Corporation	Memphis Leadership Foundation
All Saints Presbyterian Church	Memphis Teacher Residency
ARISE2Read	Memphis Union Mission
Berclair Elementary	Multinational Memphis
Binghampton Christian Academy	My Cup of Tea
Campus Outreach (Memphis/Rhodes)	Neighborhood Christian Centers
Child Evangelism Fellowship	New Hope Christian Academy
Christ Community Health Services	One by One Ministries
Christ's Community Church	Orange Mound Outreach Ministries
Christian Medical & Dental Associations	RedZone Ministries
Christian Psychological Center	Refugee Empowerment Program
Discipling Men, Inc	Refugee Memphis
EcOp Inc.	Repairing the Breach
Eikon/Nathan Street Ministries	Restore Corps
Families Matter	RUF (Rhodes)
Forward Memphis	Sanctuary Counseling Center
Hanley Elementary	Service Over Self
Iglesia Presbiteriana Esperanza	South Side Wildcats
Innovation Church	STREETS Ministries
JIFF	Su Casa Family Ministries
Kingdom Community Builders	The Center – Memphis
Leadership Empowerment Center	World Relief Memphis
Life Choices of Memphis	Young Life Memphis



Pick Up the New Prayer Book!

From new partners and current photos to relevant ways to get involved and pray, we hope that the 2025 Love Your Neighbor prayer book will serve as a resource to help you better come alongside our Mission Memphis partners in their kingdom-advancing work.

Grab a copy in the hallways today!

August Flowers

The flowers in the Sanctuary this month are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of: *Achol Nebk* by Brandon and Joe Morrison; *Aileen Coleman* by the Jensen family; *Ann Neal Ashwood* and *Dr. Eugene W. Gadberry* by Charlotte and Bob Neal; *Frances Siler Dear* by her sons and daughters-in-law, Dr. Carolyn and David E. Dear and Janie and Steven E. Dear; grandchildren, Dr. Alexander Dear, Mr. Taylor Dear, and Miss Lillian Dear; and great granddaughter, Miss Amelia Dear; *Dr. Orin L. Davidson, Jr.* by Mary and Orin Davidson; *Ruth Morrison* by her family.

General Fund Giving Update

	This Year Budget	This Year Actual	Variance to Budget	Prior Year Actual	Variance to Prior Year
July	\$ 715,553	\$ 656,962	\$ (58,591)	\$ 601,337	\$ 55,625
YTD 7/1/25–7/31/25	\$ 715,553	\$ 656,962	\$ (58,591)	\$ 601,337	\$ 55,625

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