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April 12, 2026  
*Season of Eastertide*

# Morning Worship

8:15 & 11:00 a.m.

## PRAISE THE RISEN KING

PRELUDE: "Prelude in Classic Style" ..... Gordon Young

*Leo Davis, organ*

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: Revelation 1:17–18. .... Brett Wynne

♦HYMN OF PRAISE: No. 241 "I Know That My Redeemer Lives" ..... DUKE STREET

*Words: Samuel Medley / Music: John Hatton / Job 19:25*

1. I know that my Re - deem - er lives! What com-fort  
2. He lives tri - um - phant from the grave; he lives e -  
3. He lives to bless me with his love; he lives to  
4. He lives, my kind, wise, heav'n - ly friend; he lives and

this as - sur - ance gives! He lives, he lives, who  
ter - nal - ly to save; he lives ex - alt - ed,  
plead for me a - bove; he lives my hun - gry  
loves me to the end; he lives, and while he

once was dead; he lives, my ev - er - liv - ing Head!  
throned a - bove; he lives to rule his church in love.  
soul to feed; he lives to help in time of need.  
lives, I'll sing; he lives, my Proph - et, Priest, and King!

**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: Romans 8:31-39 ..... Grace Knight (8:15)  
Rusty Shapley (11:00)

What then shall we say to these things?  
If God is for us, who can be against us?

**He who did not spare his own Son  
but gave him up for us all,  
how will he not also with him graciously give us all things?**

Who shall bring any charge against God’s elect?

**It is God who justifies.**

Who is to condemn?

**Christ Jesus is the one who died—  
more than that, who was raised—  
who is at the right hand of God,  
who indeed is interceding for us.**

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?  
Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution,  
or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword?

**As it is written,  
“For your sake we are being killed all the day long;  
we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered.”**

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors  
through him who loved us.

**For I am sure that neither death nor life,  
nor angels nor rulers,  
nor things present nor things to come,  
nor powers, nor height nor depth,  
nor anything else in all creation,  
will be able to separate us  
from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

✦CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE ..... DUKE STREET

**He lives, all glory to His name!  
He lives my Savior, still the same;  
What comfort this assurance gives:  
I know that my Redeemer lives!**

# COME TO THE RISEN KING

## CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Father in Heaven,  
 who gloriously raised Your Son Jesus Christ from the grave  
 that we would no longer be condemned  
 and that we might have life eternal,  
 please hear our earnest prayer of confession:  
 We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed,  
 both in what we have done and in what we have left undone.  
 We are truly sorry, and we sincerely repent.  
 Grant to us full pardon for all our transgressions;  
 and cleanse us of all our iniquity,  
 that we may forevermore honor Your Name  
 and sing Your praise,  
 through Jesus Christ our risen King.**

**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..... Romans 4:25

*[Jesus] was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification.*

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "If Ye Love Me, Keep My Commandments" .....Thomas Tallis

*Music: Thomas Tallis | John 14:15-21*

If ye love Me, keep My commandments,  
 And I will pray the Father,  
 And He shall give you another Comforter,  
 That He may abide with you forever,  
 E'en the Spirit of truth, e'en the Spirit of truth,  
 That He may abide with you forever,  
 E'en the Spirit of truth, e'en the Spirit of truth.

*Choral Ensemble  
 James Ryan, director*

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

## GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN..... Lynn Erickson

## FOLLOW THE RISEN KING

### ✦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: "It Was Finished Upon that Cross".....CityAight

*Words and Music: Jonny Robinson, Nigel Hendroff, Rich Thompson / Colossians 2:13-14*



1. How I love the voice of Je - sus on the cross of Cal - va - ry,  
2. Now the curse it has been bro - ken, Je - sus paid the price for me,  
3. Death was once my great op - pon - ent, fear once had a hold on me,



He de - clares His work is fin - ished, He has spo - ken this hope to me.  
Full, the par - don He has of - fered, great, the wel - come that I re - ceive.  
But the Son who died to save us rose that we would be free in - deed.



Though the sun had ceased its shi - ning Though the war ap - peared as lost,  
Bold - ly I ap - proach my Fa - ther, clothed in Je - sus' righ - teous - ness,  
Free from e - v'ry plan of dark - ness, free to live and free to love,



Christ had tri - umphed o - ver e - vil, it was fin - ished u - pon that cross.  
There is no more guilt to car - ry, it was fin - ished u - pon that cross.  
Death is dead and Christ is ris - en, it was fin - ished u - pon that cross.

#### *Final Chorus*



On - ward to e - ter - nal glo - ry, to my Sav - ior and my God,



I re - joice in Je - sus' vic - try, It was fin - ished up - on that cross!

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

SERMON: God Is in Your Crisis ..... George Robertson

- I. Listen for the Gospel in the Threat (36:1-21)
  - A. Trust (1-12)
  - B. Deliver (13-21)
- II. Get Real with Him before He Gets Real with the Threat (36:22-37:7)
  - A. Talk to the Lord First (36:22-37:2)
  - B. Talk to Yourself (37:3-4)
  - C. Talk to Your Crisis (37:5-7, cf. 38)

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

◆HYMN OF COMMITMENT: "See the Conqueror Mounts in Triumph" ..... BEECHER  
 Words: Christopher Wordsworth / Music: John Zundel / Psalm 68:18

1. See the Con-qu'ror mounts in tri-umph, see the King in roy-al state  
 2. Who is this that comes in glo-ry, with the trump of ju-bi-lee?  
 3. He has raised our hu-man na-ture on the clouds to God's right hand;  
 5. Glo-ry be to God the Fa-ther; glo-ry be to God the Son,

rid-ing on the clouds his char-iot to his heav'n-ly pal-ace gate;  
 Lord of bat-tles, God of ar-mies, he has gained the vic-to-ry;  
 there we sit in heav'n-ly plac-es, there with him in glo-ry stand:  
 dy-ing, ris'n, as-cend-ing for us, who the heav'n-ly realm has won;

hark, the choirs of an-gel voic-es joy-ful al-le-lu-ias sing,  
 he who on the cross did suf-fer, he who from the grave a-rose,  
 Je-sus reigns, a-dored by an-gels; man with God is on the throne;  
 glo-ry to the Ho-ly Spir-it: to One God in Per-sons Three

and the por - tals high are lift - ed to re - ceive their heav'n-ly King.  
 he has van-quished sin and Sa - tan, he by death has spoiled his foes.  
 might-y Lord, in thine as - cen - sion we by faith be - hold our own.  
 glo - ry both in earth and heav - en, glo - ry, end - less glo - ry be.

✦BENEDICTION

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

✦CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

✦POSTLUDE: "Marche Triomphale" ..... Marc Cheban

✦Indicates congregation standing

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### April 15: Last Wednesday Night Dinner

Don't miss our final Wednesday night dinner (5:00-6:15 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall) of the semester before we break for summer! This week's menu features beef stroganoff with California vegetables and dessert, or a turkey salad.

### Summer at Second

It's almost time to splash into Summer, and the slower schedule for all ages leaves room on the calendar for fun ways to spend time in fellowship and grow in community. We'll kick off summer with **Gathering on the Grounds** on May 3, when we will gather together outside again on the Poplar Field for fellowship and evening worship. We'll start gathering at 5:00 p.m. for live music and food, and worship will begin at 6:00.

Next up will be **Vacation Bible School** for PreK-5th grade students, June 1-4. In addition, the **Second Conservatory of Music** will offer summer lessons in a variety of instrumental and vocal concentrations. The Conservatory will also host the annual **Rejoice! Music Arts Camp** at Hanley Elementary in Orange Mound June 15-18, and on campus at 2PC June 22-26.

Our **Senior Adult Ministry** is excited to host a dinner and concert with the Bartlett Community Concert Band on July 9 at 5:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall, and there are many other opportunities for youth and adults to meet for Bible Study and community throughout the summer! Visit [2pc.org/summer](http://2pc.org/summer) for details.

### Getting Connected at Second

Want to learn more about our church? Visit [2pc.org](http://2pc.org), call us at (901) 454-0034, or email us: [pastor@2pc.org](mailto:pastor@2pc.org) for pastoral questions or [info@2pc.org](mailto:info@2pc.org) for general inquiries. We'd love to hear from you!

## Caring Ministry Update

### Sympathy to:

Glenn Martin on the death of his wife,  
*Barbara Ann Martin*, March 24, 2026.  
(*Germantown Parish*)

The family of *Gerlene S. Lifer* on her  
death, April 3, 2026, in Starkville, MS.  
(*Shelby Farms*)

### In the Hospital: (as of 4/8/26)

Jenny Udouj, *Hospice at Home*  
(*Shelby Farms Parish*)

Janice Akins Wooley, *Baptist Rehab*  
(*Shelby Farms Parish*)

## Weekly Prayer Focus

**World Missions—Herb and Heather:** Herb and Heather serve as director and nurse, respectively, at Annoor Sanatorium in Jordan. Although they are not in the direct path of the military situation in the Middle East, there has been overhead missile and drone activity, causing sirens to go off and alerting them to the possibility of danger. The biggest impact for their area has been stores closing. Thankfully, services to the hospital and clinic have continued. Pray for wisdom, discernment, and grace as Herb leads the staff, provides care to patients with tuberculosis, and shares the love of Christ with them. Pray for the safety of the Bedouin people in the desert as well as for the mission partners in the area who have decided to stay and minister during these unsettling times.

**Mission Memphis—Nathan Street Ministries:** Nathan Street Ministries is a leadership, evangelism, and disciple-making ministry. Their mission is to build leaders who change their communities from the inside out. They seek to create a steady stream of young men and women with a passion for Christ, who make disciples, who help change Memphis, and, in turn, who impact the world. Pray for their staff, leaders, and volunteers, that they would continue serving the kids and families with joy. Pray also for the kids at Nathan Street who don't know the Lord, that they would come to Him. Finally, pray for continued financial provision to sustain their daily operations and ministry efforts.

**2PC Ministry—Music Ministry:** Our Music Ministry guides the congregation in joyful worship, bringing together a blend of styles, instruments, and choirs that reflect our growing diversity and expand how we worship God. We offer choral and instrumental groups for all ages and abilities, as well as lessons through the Second Conservatory of Music. Please pray for our upcoming Hymn Festival on Sunday night—for our preparations, our voices, and that the service would glorify God and shape us more into the likeness of Jesus. Pray also for our Rejoice Music & Arts Camps this summer, both on campus and in the Orange Mound community. Pray for the students and teachers, and especially that these weeks would be opportunities for the gospel to go forth in Memphis, and that through music and the arts we might be instruments of God's peace in our city.

## April Flowers

**The flowers in the Sanctuary this month are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of:** *Dick Bush* by his family; *Duane Sichveland* by the Likosar family and the West family; *George Shea Flinn, Sr.* by his sons George, Fred, Carl, and their families; *Howard Broemmelsick and Judy B. Oakes* by the Oakes family; *Meredith Fox* by Roy, Terri, Roy III, and Margaux.

