



ORDER FOR THE
PUBLIC WORSHIP *of* GOD

April 26, 2026
Season of Eastertide

Morning Worship

8:15 & 11:00 a.m.

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

SING THE KING'S PRAISES

VOCAL MEDITATION: "Eternal Source of Light Divine" G.F. Handel

Words: Ambrose Philips / Music: G.F. Handel from "Ode for the Birthday of Queen Anne," HWV 74 (1713) / James 1:17

Eternal source of light divine
With double warmth Thy beams display
And with distinguish'd glory shine
To add a lustre to this day.

*Jauna Ellis, soloist
Alissa Heirigs, trumpet*

CHORAL INTROIT: "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" arr. Adrian Westney

Words: Thomas Ken / Music: John Hatton; arr. Adrian Westney / Psalm 150:6

Praise God from whom all blessings flow:
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

*The Chancel Choir
Calvin Ellis, director*

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: Philippians 2:9-11 Brad Morrow

♠HYMN OF PRAISE: No. 270 "Rejoice, the Lord Is King"..... DARWALL

Words: Charles Wesley / Music: John Darwall / Hebrews 1:3

1. Re - joice, the Lord is King: your Lord and King a - dore! Re -
 2. Je - sus the Sav - ior reigns, the God of truth and love; when
 3. His king - dom can - not fail, he rules o'er earth and heav'n; the
 4. He sits at God's right hand till all his foes sub - mit, and
 5. Re - joice in glo - rious hope! Our Lord, the Judge, shall come, and

joice, give thanks, and sing, and tri - umph ev - er - more.
 he had purged our stains, he took his seat a - bove.
 keys of death and hell are to our Je - sus giv'n. Lift up your
 bow to his com - mand and fall be - neath his feet.
 take his ser - vants up to their e - ter - nal home.

heart, lift up your voice! Re - joice, a - gain I say, re - joice!

♠INVOCATION

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.

SAVOR THE KING'S PARDON

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Almighty God, who raised Your Son from the dead
and enthroned Him at Your right hand on high
that every knee should bow to His Majesty,
we acknowledge that we have often submitted to other powers,
exalted other rulers, and built other kingdoms.
Please forgive our brazen disloyalty and foolish disobedience.
We are truly sorry and earnestly repent.
Lord, take up Your throne again in our hearts,
and rule our every thought, word, and deed
that Jesus Christ may be greatly exalted
and His Kingdom everywhere proclaimed,
now and forever.**

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..... I Timothy 1:15

*The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance,
that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost.*

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "Fairest Lord Jesus".....arr. Mark Hayes

Words: Traditional German Hymn; Munster Gesangbuch / Music: arr. Mark Hayes / Psalm 45:2

Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature,
O Thou of God and man the Son:
Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor,
Thou my soul's glory, joy, and crown.
Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands,
Robed in the blooming garb of spring.
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer,
Who makes the woeful heart to sing.
Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight,
And all the twinkling starry host;
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer
Than all the angels heaven can boast.
Beautiful Savior! Lord of the nations!
Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honor! Praise, adoration,
Now and forevermore be Thine!

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYING FOR OUR FUTURE MINISTRY: WORSHIP

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN..... Sarah Logan Song
Director of Children's Ministry

SHARE THE KING'S WORD

✦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: "Holy Forever" CeCe Winans

Words and Music: Chris Tomlin, Brian Johnson, Jason Ingram, Jenn Johnson, Phil Wickham / Revelation 4:8

Verse



1. A thou - sand gen - er - a - tions fall - ing down in wor - ship
2. If you've been for - giv - en and if you've been re - deemed,



to sing the song of ag - es to the Lamb.
sing the song for - ev - er to the Lamb.



And all who've gone be - fore us and all who will be - lieve
If you walk in free - dom, and if you bear His name,



will sing the song of ag - es to the Lamb.
sing the song for - ev - er to the Lamb.

2nd verse only



We'll sing the song for - ev - er and a - men.

Pre-Chorus



Your name is the high - est, Your name is the great - est, Your
name stands a - bove them all. All thrones and do - min - ions, all
pow'rs and po - si - tions, Your name stands a - bove them all.

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♠HYMN OF COMMITMENT: "Heal Us"Indelible Grace Music

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

Heal us, Em-man-uel, here we are. We long to feel Thy touch.

Deep wound-ed souls to Thee we fly. O, Sav-ior, hear our cry.

1. Our faith is fee-ble, we con-fess. We faint-ly trust Thy
 2. Re-mem-ber him who once ap-plied with trem-bling for re-
 3. She, too, who touched You in the press, and heal-ing vir-tue
 4. Like her, with hopes and fears we come to touch You, if we

word. But will you pit-y us the less?
 - lief; "Lord, I be-lieve," with tears he cried.
 stole, was an-swered, "Daugh-ter, go in peace;
 may. O send us not de-spair-ing home;

Be that far from You, Lord.
 "O help my un-be-lief!"
 thy faith has made thee whole!"
 send none un-healed a-way."

♠BENEDICTION

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

♠BENEDICTION RESPONSE

**And the angels cry, "Holy!"
 All creation cries, "Holy!"
 "You are lifted high, holy, holy forever!"**

♠POSTLUDE: "Toccata" John Weaver

♠Indicates congregation standing

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Instrumentalists: Janaína Fernandes and James Ryan, violin; Beth Luscombe, viola; Mark Wallace, cello;
 Alissa Heirigs and Mason Kibble, trumpet; Wilker Augusto, horn; Leo Davis, organ and piano

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..... Damon Conley

PSALM 150 Brooklyn Tabernacle Choir

Words and Music: Carol Cymbala, Brandon Camphor, Jammal Graham, and Bradley Knight / Psalm 150

Verse

Praise Him in the sanc - tu - ar - y, Praise Him with the

tim - brel and dance, Praise Him with the sound of the trum - pet,

Praise Him for His might - y acts, Praise Him for His might - y acts.

Praise Him in the might - y heav - ens, Praise Him for His

great - ness to us, Praise Him with a clash of the cym - bals.

He a - lone is wor - thy; praise the Lord!

Chorus

Let ev - 'ry - thing that hath breath praise Him;

let ev - 'ry - thing that hath breath praise the Lord!

Let ev - 'ry - thing that hath breath praise Him.

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!
Praise the Lord!

Women: Praise Him! Praise Him!
Men: With all my heart, with all my soul I'll praise Him! I'll praise Him!

◆INVOCATION

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INDESCRIBABLE Laura Story

Words and Music: Laura Story, Jesse Reeves; arr. Kierra Sheard / Psalm 8:3-4

◆Congregation stands and joins at worship team's direction

1. From the high - est of heights to the depths of the sea,
2. Who has told ev - 'ry light - ning bolt where it should go,
cre - a - tion re - veal - ing Your maj - es - ty.
or seen heav - en - ly store - hous - es lad - en with snow?
From the col - ors of Fall to the fra - grance of Spring,
Who i - mag - ined the sun and gives source to its light
ev - 'ry crea - ture u - nique in the song that it sings.
yet con - ceals it to bring us the cool - ness of night?

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Chorus

All ex - claim - ing: In - de - scrib - a - ble, un - con - tain - a - ble;
None can fath - om.

You placed the stars in the sky, and You know them by
name. You are a - maz - ing, God.

All pow - er - ful, un - tam - a - ble. Awe - struck we fall to our
Final Chorus In - com - p'ra ble, un - change - a - ble. You see the depths of my
knees as we hum - bly pro - claim You are a - maz - ing, God.
heart and You love me the same. You are a - maz - ing, God.

✦PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

✦GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SCRIPTURE LESSON..... Psalm 77
(page 488 in pew Bible)

The grass withers, the flower fades,

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

SERMON: The Grace of Lament..... Mark Vroegop
President, The Gospel Coalition

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

Sermon Notes

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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 Spirit,
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 is seated on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from there He will come to judge the living and the dead;
I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic* church;
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

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.

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PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

◆HYMN OF THANKSGIVING: NO. 571 "BLESSED ASSURANCE" ASSURANCE

Words: Fanny J. Crosby / Music: Phoebe Palmer Knapp / Psalm 146:2

1. Bless-ed as - sur - ance, Je - sus is mine! O what a fore - taste of
 2. Per - fect sub - mis - sion, per - fect de - light, vi - sions of rap - ture now
 3. Per - fect sub - mis - sion, all is at rest, I in my Sav - ior am

glo - ry di - vine! Heir of sal - va - tion, pur - chase of God,
 burst on my sight; an - gels de - scend - ing, bring from a - bove
 hap - py and blest; watch - ing and wait - ing, look - ing a - bove,

Refrain

born of his Spir - it, washed in his blood.
 ech - oes of mer - cy, whis - pers of love. This is my sto - ry,
 filled with his good - ness, lost in his love.

this is my song, prais - ing my Sav - ior all the day long; this is my

sto - ry, this is my song, prais - ing my Sav - ior all the day long.

✦BENEDICTION

✦GOSPEL AMEN

✦Indicates congregation standing

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Guest Preacher Mark Vroegop

Mark Vroegop (BA, Cedarville University; MDiv, Cornerstone Seminary) is the president of The Gospel Coalition. He served in pastoral ministry leadership for nearly 30 years, most recently as the lead pastor of College Park Church in Indianapolis. He has written several books, including *Dark Clouds, Deep Mercy: Discovering the Grace of Lament* and *Waiting Isn't a Waste: The Surprising Comfort of Trusting God in the Uncertainties of Life*. Mark and his wife Sarah have three married sons, a college-aged daughter, and five grandchildren.

Caring Ministry Update

Sympathy to:

Elizabeth Williamson and Garnett Hutton on the death of their mother, *Deanna A. Wilbourn*, April 21, 2026, in Meridian, MS. (Shelby Farms Parish)

In the Hospital: (as of 4/22/26)
Jenny Udouj, *Hospice at Home*
(Shelby Farms Parish)

Weekly Prayer Focus

World Missions—Jonathan: Jonathan trains and mentors teachers and leaders in the faith while also teaching at church, leading retreats, and facilitating sessions on marriage and family. Last fall, he and his family helped organize their country's first adoption conference, a ministry opportunity that brought deep connection, healing, and refreshment to many, as well as Jonathan and Sharon, who have an adopted daughter. They are also involved in citywide initiatives that aim to strengthen unity within the church and encourage believers to remain in their country. Please pray for their family, including their three daughters, as they continue to host Bible studies, join men from various churches in prayer walks throughout the city, and support young Christians as they launch new businesses.

Mission Memphis—Memphis Family Connection Center: The Memphis Family Connection Center supports hope and healing by providing holistic care for families impacted by trauma and adverse childhood experiences. They serve families through clinical services, community training, and resource development—all rooted in the Gospel and a commitment to compassionate, wise care. Pray for families to experience hope and healing through these services. Pray also that God would continue to provide the volunteers needed to sustain their programs.

2PC Ministry—Parents Day Out: Parents Day Out provides a safe, nurturing, Christ-centered environment for children aged three months to four years, encouraging growth socially, academically, and spiritually. Please pray that our PDO families experience the love of Christ through every part of the program. Pray for the teachers as they finish the year—that they are refreshed and encouraged as they continue pouring into the lives of the children. As PDO prepares for a busy summer and welcomes elementary students for a second year, we give thanks for the ways God is using this ministry to draw families into our church community. Pray that these families would continue to engage in the life of the church through events, relationships, and worship.

Thank You, Next Generation Volunteers!

Today is Volunteer Appreciation Sunday for the amazing leaders in our Children's and Youth Ministries! We are so grateful for the many Sunday School, Worship Care, Choir, Connect, VBS, Shine, Small Group, Life Group, True North, and Parents' Day Out teachers and leaders who are taking an active role in discipling the next generation!

What a blessing to work together to lovingly guide our children and youth toward a growing devotion to God, a growing devotion to God's people, and a growing devotion to God's kingdom! Thank you for using your gifts to make God and His Word known to the next generation in obedience to the call of Deuteronomy 6:6-7: *And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise.*

As a token of our appreciation, all children and youth ministry leaders are invited to the nursery lobby for a catered coffee bar this morning between 8:00–11:00 a.m.

If you'd like to be part of this wonderful legacy of discipleship, please contact us at kids@2pc.org or youth@2pc.org to learn more about the various opportunities.

Praying for Our Future Ministry

Over the past year, our staff and Session have been prayerfully seeking the Lord's direction for the next 10 years of ministry at Second. Over the next four weeks, we'll hear about four areas of our ministry—worship, outreach, spiritual formation, and resource stewardship—and adopt a specific prayer statement for each area.

This summer, we invite you to join us in asking the Lord to shape and lead our future together, using the prayer statements as guidance. We'll gather on Sunday evening, August 30, to celebrate and step deeper into what the Lord has for us.

Focus This Week: Worship

We pray to be a church that delights to worship, finding joy in ordering our lives around the means of grace—God's Word, prayer, and corporate worship.

**GATHERING
ON
THE
GROUNDS**

We are looking forward to worshipping together outside next Sunday evening, **May 3**, on the Poplar Field! We'll start gathering at 5:00 p.m. for live music, fun, and food (free hamburgers, hot dogs, etc.), and worship will begin at 6:00.

Bring lawn chairs/blankets for seating. Also, feel free to bring a frisbee, football, soccer ball, etc. for a little competitive activity! Don't forget to bring your friends and neighbors, too!

Help Us Prepare for Vacation Bible School!

There are many ways to support VBS before the week begins! Help us care for our volunteers and kids by contributing individually wrapped snacks or providing treats for the Volunteer Hospitality Room. You can also sponsor a teen helper t-shirt as a way to thank the students who serve so faithfully or lend a hand with setup and tear-down. Most importantly, please join us in praying that God would bring new families into our church and draw children to trust in Jesus. Visit 2pc.org/vbs for specific details!

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 Schweland* 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.

General Fund Giving Update

	This Year Budget	This Year Actual	Variance to Budget	Prior Year Actual	Variance to Prior Year
March	\$ 740,818	\$ 744,900	\$ 4,082	\$ 627,626	\$ 117,274
YTD 7/1/25–3/31/26	\$ 8,411,644	\$ 7,836,436	\$ (575,208)	\$ 7,416,009	\$ 420,337

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