

Stewardship Sunday November 8, 2026

Morning Worship

8:15 & 11:00 a.m.

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

Prelude: The prelude is a time for quiet reflection and preparation. As the music begins, worshipers are invited to center their hearts on God and enter the presence of the Holy.

See His Glory

PRELUDE: "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" . . . . . .Beethoven; arr. D. Phillips

INSTRUMENTAL PRELUDE: "Children of the Heavenly Father" . . . . . arr. D. Kallman

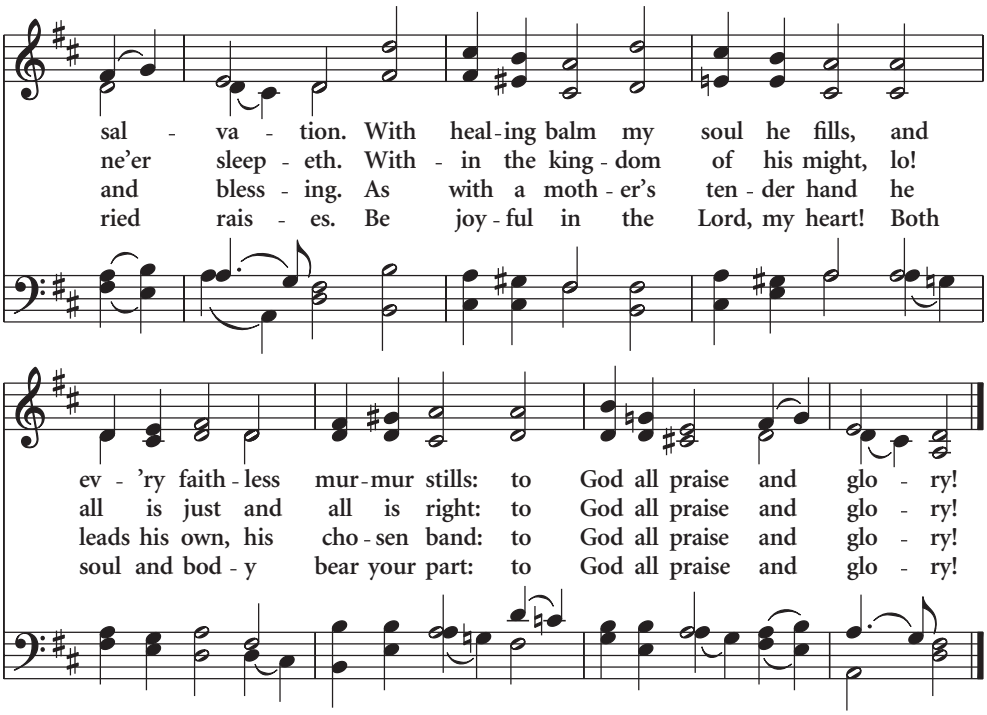
Call to Worship: God invites us into His presence to worship in spirit and in truth—beginning a dialogue that continues throughout the service.

CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 96:7-10a. . . . . Brian Lewis

✠HYMN OF PRAISE: No. 2 "Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above" . . . . . MIT FREUDEN ZART

Words: Johann J. Schütz; tr. Frances E. Cox / Music: Bohemian Brethren's Kirchengesänge; harm. Heinrich Reimann; arr. Samuel Metzger / Psalm 97:1





✙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.

Receive His Grace

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O merciful Father,
we humbly ask Your forgiveness
for allowing the cares of this world
to choke out Your word in our lives;
for not trusting Your promises of provision;
for not faithfully stewarding Your gifts;
for not giving You glory;
and for not loving our neighbor.
May Your Holy Spirit so rule our hearts
that You give us the victory over these
and all the other sinful tendencies of our hearts,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

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.

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON. . . . . I John 4:9-10

In this the love of God was made manifest among us,
that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him.
In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us
and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

VIDEO: WHAT CAN WE SHARE?

WORSHIP OF GOD WITH THE GIFTS OF GOD

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "The Meditations of My Heart" . . . . . Elaine Hagenberg

Words and Music: Elaine Hagenberg / Psalm 19:14

May the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart
Be acceptable in Thy sight, O Lord.

O Lord my Rock, O Lord my strength,
O Lord my God and Redeemer.

Vocal Ensemble
James Ryan, director

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Trust His 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: No. 528 “My Heart Is Filled with Thankfulness” . . . . . THANKFULNESS

Words and Music: Keith Getty and Stuart Townend / Hebrews 12:28



SCRIPTURE LESSON. . . . . Isaiah 54:1–55:13
(page 614 in pew Bible)

The grass withers, the flower fades,

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

SERMON: "Abounding Grace" . . . . . George Robertson

I. Come *(55:1-13)*

A. Return to abundant compassion *(6-9)*

B. Listen for a glorious commission *(3-5)*

C. Receive without price *(1-2, 10-13)*

II. Sing *(54:1-17)*

A. From shame to everlasting love *(1-8)*

B. From judgment to vindication *(9-17)*

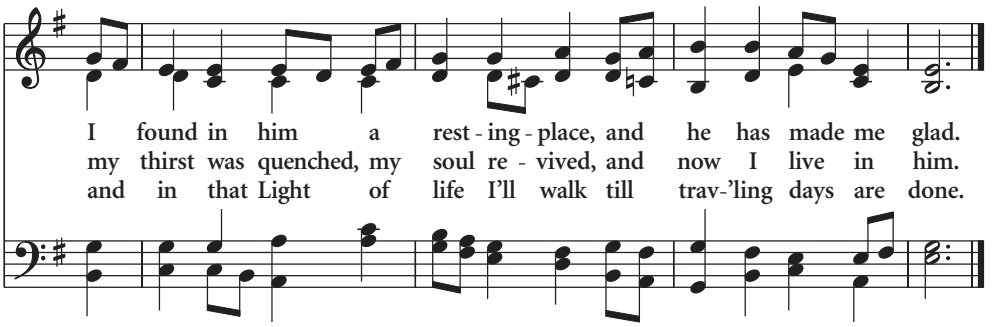
Expository preaching is central in our worship of the Lord. With God's help, the preacher grounds his message in the text, aligns the interpretation of the text with the doctrinal truths of the rest of the Bible, and shows how Christ is the final fulfillment of the text's theme.

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

✙HYMN OF COMMITMENT: No. 543 "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say" . . . . . KINGSFOLD

Words: Horatius Bonar / Music: Trad. English Melody; arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams / Matthew 11:28-30





✞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: "I Know That My Redeemer Lives" ..... Watts; arr. D. Lansky

✞*Indicates congregation standing* *CCLI License #252778*

Instrumentalists: James Ryan, violin and piano;
Robb Roaten, bass; Kathy Priestley, organ and piano

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 . . . . . Brad Morrow

✞JESUS! WHAT A FRIEND FOR SINNERS! . . . . . HYFRYDOL

Words: J. Wilbur Chapman / Music: Rowland H. Prichard / Matthew 11:19



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PSALM 27 (THE LORD IS MY LIGHT). . . . . Laura Story

Words and Music: Laura Story, Jordan Kauflin, Matt Merker / Psalm 27

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

The Lord is my light and my salvation.
Whom shall I fear? Whom shall I fear?
The Lord is the stronghold of my life.
Of whom shall I be afraid?

Lord, You are my shelter.
God of my salvation, I am not forsaken.
Lord, my shield and protector, waiting on Your promise,
I will see Your goodness, O Lord.

When troubles arise, no foe can harm me.
You are my peace. You are my peace.
You lift me above the raging storm. You conquer my enemies.

One thing I have asked: to see Your beauty.
This I will seek, this I will seek:
To dwell in Your house to walk in Your ways.
Your presence is all I need.

I wait, wait for the Lord, in faith, trusting Your word.

✟PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

✟GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SCRIPTURE LESSON. . . . . I Timothy 5:17–6:2
(page 993 in pew Bible)

The grass withers, the flower fades,

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

SERMON: "Leading Well and Serving Faithfully" . . . . . Damon Conley

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

The Liturgy of the Table

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.

**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

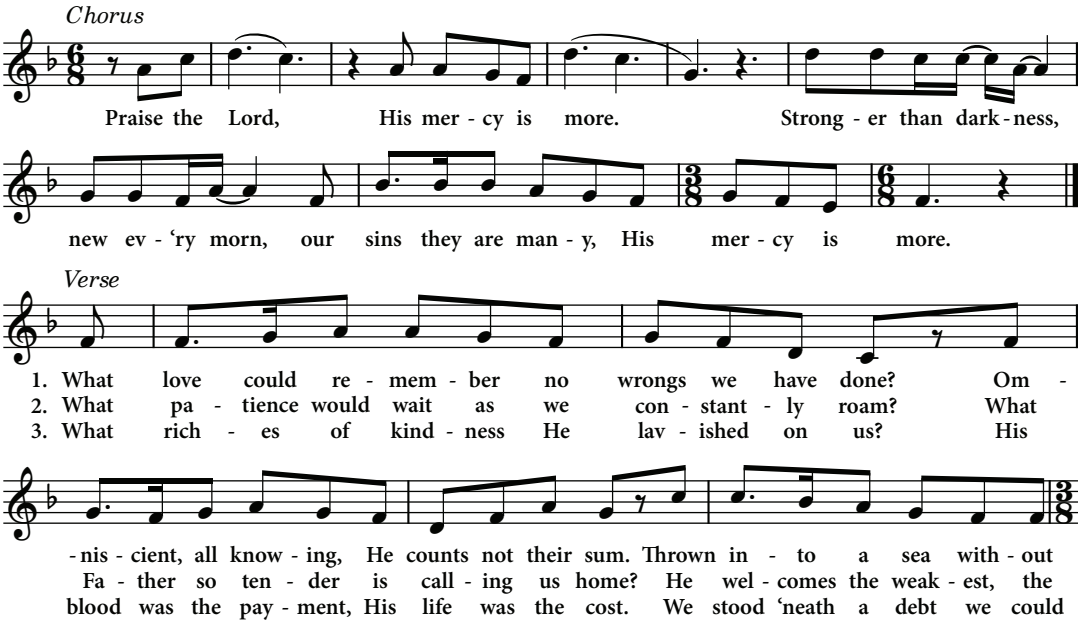
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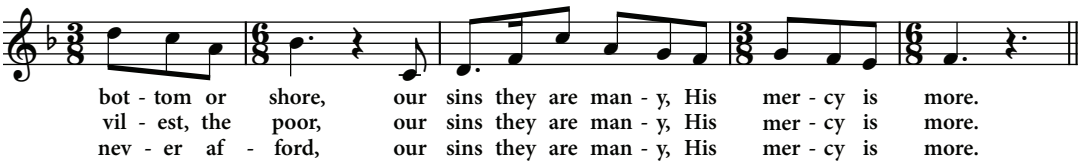
PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

HIS MERCY IS MORE . . . . . Shane and Shane

Words and Music: Matt Boswell and Matt Papa; arr. Dustin Loehrs | Psalm 136





✠HYMN OF THANKSGIVING: GOD OF REVIVAL . . . . . Phil Wickham

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



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✞GOSPEL AMEN

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Caring Ministry Update

Sympathy to:

Susan Crawford on the death of her husband, *Claude Crawford*, November 3, 2026 *(Highland Parish).* Mr. Crawford was the father of Ragan Magness *(Highland Parish).*

The family of *Beverly Hassell* on her death October 26, 2026.

Suzanne Hughes on the death of her mother, *Helen McKinney,* September 4, 2026. *(White Station Parish)*

In the Hospital *(as of 11/4/26):*

Sam Large, *Jordan River Rehab (Germantown Parish)*

Weekly Prayer Focus

World Missions–Jonathan and Sharon: Jonathan and Sharon serve in central South Asia. Their leadership development training and mentorship have become very important in an area that has become increasingly hostile to followers of Jesus. As persecution increases for the church in India, please pray that they would have wisdom and understanding on how to respond. Pray for Jonathan and Sharon as they explore forming a rapid-response team to help churches in their area when they experience persecution. Please pray for their three daughters, that they would grow in their faith and be encouraged to share that faith with those around them. Pray also for the Lord's help and guidance for His best ways to serve leaders in their region. Pray for Almighty God's discernment and protection for Christians in this part of the world. Finally, pray that Jonathan and Sharon's training of leaders and youth will result in a rich harvest of believers.

Mission Memphis–Life Choices: While they are first and foremost a ministry of Christ, Life Choices also seeks to educate and empower women to choose and cherish life. In addition to providing pregnancy-related medical services, they also offer counseling for pregnancy options, direct program services, and resources for other trauma-related issues. Please pray for their clients, that the Lord would reveal to them their need for Jesus. Pray also for the staff, as they navigate hard client stories. Lastly, please pray that the staff would be given discernment as they navigate the devastating effects of the abortion pill, which is widely unregulated in the medical world and causing harmful effects.

2PC Ministry–Deacons: Deacons at Second faithfully oversee many areas of church service. These service opportunities include the ministry of compassion, caring for the sick, the bereaved, the lonely, the grieving, and the struggling. Deacons also manage the church budget and the stewardship of our gifts, lead the greeting and ushering ministry, and serve in the nursery. Please join the Deacons in prayerfully seeking effective ways to implement the church's strategic plan and integrate their service into our parishes.

November Flowers

The flowers in the Sanctuary this month are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of: *Walker Bush* by his family; *Ann and Oscar Edwards* by Mary and Jimmy Edwards and their family; *George Shea Flinn* by his sons, George, Fred, Carl, and their families; *Joel Jones Hobson III* by Jennifer's Overflow small group; *Liza Fletcher* on her birthday by her Hutchison friends; *Mary Elizabeth Garrott* by her siblings Brandon, Murray, and Allison; *Robert Tipton, Jr.* by Deborah and Mary Elisabeth Tipton.



Stewardship season is underway and concludes next week on Commitment Sunday, November 15. Throughout this season, we've been reflecting on what it means to live a whole life of generosity and to steward not only our financial resources but all that the Lord has given us, such as our time, talents, homes, and prayers.

As part of the 13-week curriculum Sunday School classes have been studying this fall, this morning's lesson will focus on Acts 2:42–47 and how the early church shared their lives and resources with glad and generous hearts.

Members were mailed a stewardship brochure this week with an Intent Card enclosed. Additional cards are available in the Sanctuary pew racks, and you may also visit 2pc.org/give to complete the form digitally.

As we prepare for Commitment Sunday, please spend time in prayer, asking the Lord to guide you as you consider your Intent Card and the commitment you will make for the coming year.

Community Thanksgiving Service: November 22

Second Presbyterian Church will host a Community Thanksgiving Service on Sunday, November 22, at 6:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary, and we hope you'll join us! Pastors and congregations from several Memphis-area churches, including Brown Missionary Baptist, Hope Presbyterian, Bellevue Baptist, and others, will gather with us.

Come be part of this special evening as we give thanks for God's many blessings, celebrate the unity we share in Christ, and thank the Lord for His accomplished work our city. Dr. Bartholomew Orr, pastor of Brown Missionary Baptist Church, will preach, and a mass choir made up of singers from the participating congregations will lead us in worship. Childcare will be available for ages 5 and under.

Mark Your Calendars for the Season of Advent!

Invite your family and friends to join us for worship services and activities for all ages.
Visit 2pc.org/christmas for more information.

Hanging of the Green
November 29, 6:00 p.m.

Women's Christmas Coffee
December 2, 10:30 a.m.

Festival of Carols
December 6, 6:00 p.m.

NCC Service Night @ 2PC
December 9, 6:00 p.m.

Sing Hallelujah
December 13, 6:00 p.m.

Nine Lessons and Carols
December 20, 8:15 & 11:00 a.m.

Christmas PJ Party
December 20, 4:30 p.m.

A Gospel Christmas
December 20, 6:00 p.m.

Christmas Eve Worship
4:00 p.m. Family Service

5:30, 8:00 & 11:00 p.m.
Candlelight Communion Services

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