

ORDER FOR THE PUBLIC WORSHIP of GOD

October 27, 2024
Reformation Sunday

Morning Worship

8:15 & 11:00 a.m.

THE GLORY OF GOD ALONE

♦CALL TO WORSHIP: Based on I Peter 2......Brett Wynne

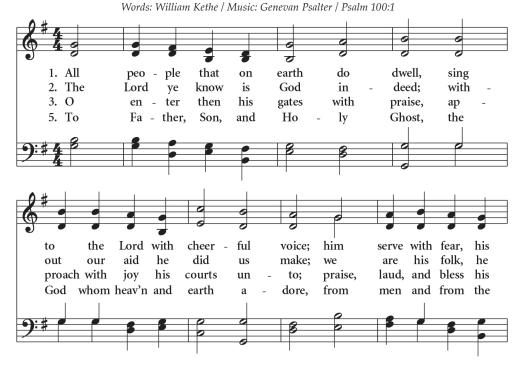
Come to him, the living Stone—

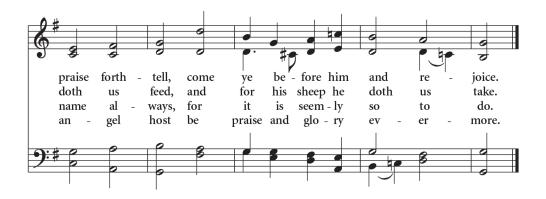
rejected by humans but chosen by God and precious to him.

As his holy priesthood, we gather to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

Come to him as his chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession.

Let us declare the praises of him who called us out of darkness into his marvelous light.





†INVOCATION

 PROFESSION OF FAITH: The Apostles' Creed
 Shelley Hill (8:15)

 Don Batchelor (11:00)

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.

 CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE
 OLD HUNDREDTH

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, The God whom heav'n and earth adore, From men and from the angel host Be praise and glory evermore.

By Grace Alone, Through Faith Alone, In Christ Alone

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Heavenly Lord, Your name is a strong tower.

The righteous run to it and are safe, for You are our refuge and strength.

Yet, we confess that our fears are legion.

We are afraid to love, afraid to commit ourselves,

afraid of what others think, afraid of rejection,

afraid of failure, and afraid of what the future might bring.

Show us that Jesus Christ is Your protection of us,

Your presence with us, and Your power in us.

Forgive us, for the glory of our Savior's name, Jesus Christ the Lord.

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON..... Ephesians 2:8-9

For by grace you have been saved through faith.

And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

WORSHIP OF GOD WITH THE GIFTS OF GOD

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Text WORLD to the same number to give to World Missions.

Give by Mail: Second Presbyterian Church, 4055 Poplar Avenue, Memphis, TN 38111

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "Trinity Te Deum".......Ēriks Ešenvalds

We praise Thee, O God; we acknowledge Thee to be the Lord.

All the earth doth worship Thee, the Father everlasting.

To Thee all angels cry aloud: the heavens and all the powers therein.

To Thee cherubim and seraphim continually do cry,

Holy, holy, holy: Lord God of Sabaoth;

Heaven and earth are full of the majesty of Thy glory.

The glorious company of the apostles praise Thee.

The goodly fellowship of the prophets praise Thee.

The noble army of martyrs praise Thee.

The holy church throughout all the world doth acknowledge Thee;

The Father of an infinite Majesty; Thine honorable, true, and only Son;

Also the Holy Ghost, the Comforter.

Thou art the King of Glory, O Christ. Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father.

When Thou tookest upon Thee to deliver man, Thou didst not abhor the virgin's womb.

When Thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death,

Thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to all believers.

Thou sittest at the right hand of God in the glory of the Father.

We believe that Thou'lt come to be our Judge.

We therefore pray Thee, help Thy servants,

Whom Thou'st redeemed with Thy precious blood.

Make them to be numbered with Thy saints in glory everlasting.

Holy, holy, holy.

The Chancel Choir Calvin Ellis, director

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN Will Nease

Director of Senior High Ministry

THE WORD OF GOD ALONE

♦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:

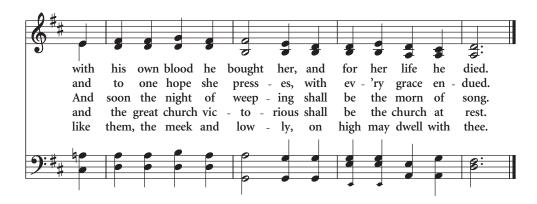
For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

 HYMN OF PREPARATION: No. 316 "The Church's One Foundation"
 AURELIA

Words: Samuel J. Stone / Music: Samuel S. Wesley / Ephesians 2:20



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SCRIPTURE LESSON. Ephesians 3:1-13 (page 977 in pew Bible)

The grass withers, the flower fades,

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

- I. To unite estranged image bearers with the Father (7-13)
 - A. The message of new relationship with God (11-12)
 - B. The gift of a noble purpose (7-10, 13)
- II. To unite ethnically diverse image bearers as family (1-6)
 - A. The mystery revealed (6)
 - B. The mystery applied (1-5)

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT





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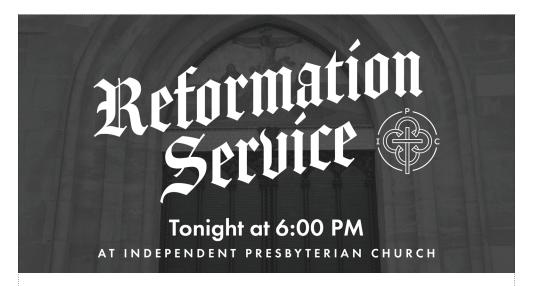
Yet she on earth hath union with God the Three in One, And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won: O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we, Like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with Thee.

♦POSTLUDE: "A Mighty Fortress"......arr. Diane Bish

♦ Indicates congregation standing

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Instrumentalists: Scott Moore, Alex Schuetrumpf, Alissa Heirigs, trumpet; Ashley Cummings, horn; Greg Luscombe, Colin Woods, Mark Vail, trombone; Stewart Plumlee, timpani and percussion, Julia Shaffer, harp; James Ryan, violin; Leo Davis, organ and piano



We look forward to joining with our sister church, Independent Presbyterian Church (4738 Walnut Grove), in celebrating Reformation Sunday tonight at 6:00 p.m. Last year, IPC joined us for worship and this year, they'll graciously host our congregation in their sanctuary. Thomas Gibbs, president of Covenant Seminary, will serve as the guest preacher.

For families, nursery care will be provided for children up to Junior Kindergarten—simply enter through the Avon Entrance to check in. Children in SK-5th grade will start the service with their families before migrating to "Four Corners" where they'll learn about God's mission to the world. However, if you prefer for them to stay with you in the service, they are welcome to do so.

Don't miss this wonderful opportunity to worship together at IPC and commemorate this important moment in Church history! *Note: This service takes the place of our Sunday Night Worship service this evening.*

Wednesday Night Meals

Each Wednesday from 5:00-6:15 p.m., our kitchen offers a fresh-cooked family meal for those attending a Wednesday night group or for anyone who would like to come have dinner with your church community. Visit **2pc.org/dinner** to view the menu.

Advent at Second

We invite you and your family and friends to join us throughout the month of December for worship services and activities for all ages. Hanging of the Green will introduce the season on December 1. Visit 2pc.org/advent for the full schedule of events.



Church Equipping Conference





Rebecca McLaughlin

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November 15-16

Our generation has experienced a seismic shift in cultural norms relating to gender, sexuality, and identity. That shift brings countless opportunities for the Gospel's advance. How ready are you for these opportunities?

Join us for our Church Equipping Conference on November 15-16, where Rebecca McLaughlin and Sandy Willson will aim to equip us in our evangelistic and discipling relationships. The conference will feature lectures, Q&A, and discussion in the Fellowship Hall.

Sessions will address the following questions: Where are we, and how did we get here? What does the Bible say about where we are? Inside the church (discipleship) and outside the church (evangelism), what should we do about where we are?

This is a great opportunity to gain practical insights into these vital conversations and enhance your ability to engage effectively. Visit **2pc.org/equip** for more details, including the conference schedule, information about childcare, and to register.

A Bonhoeffer Discussion: November 7

An Army of Normal Folks podcast host Bill Courtney will conduct a live podcast interview with Todd Komarnicki, the writer, director, and producer of Angel Studio's upcoming film *Bonhoeffer: Pastor. Spy. Assassin* on Thursday, November 7 at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Join us for a conversation about Dietrich Bonhoeffer, the German pastor who tried to rally the church to stop Hitler, was involved in "Operation 7" to smuggle Jews into neutral Switzerland, ultimately joined the famous Valkyrie to assassinate Hitler, and was executed in a concentration camp.

"Why does Dietrich Bonhoeffer's life continue to fascinate?" Pastor George Robertson asks, "Because he represents what every Christian longs for but is afraid to pursue—gaining life by dying with and for Christ."

Attendance is free. Visit 2pc.org/bonhoeffer to learn more about the event and the movie.

Caring Ministry Update

Sympathy to:

Cristan Billions on the death of her father, *Jimmy Cruthirds*, October 15, 2024.

Lindsey Renovich on the death of her father, *John Dennis Horne*, October 18, 2024.

In the Hospital: (as of 10/23/24)

Bo Braswell, *St. Francis Park (no visitors)* Bill Garner, *Jordan River at the Farm*

Weekly Prayer Focus

World Missions—George Tolias: George Tolias and his family live in Athens, Greece, where he is Pastor of Glyfada Evangelical Church and a church planter. His church has found many avenues for ministry and evangelism by addressing the needs of the refugees in their community. Pray that the people being helped by George and his fellow pastors would have ears to hear and hearts open to receive the good word of Christ Jesus. Pray that the Pangrati church plant will soon become self-sustaining through the power of the Holy Spirit. Finally, pray that God would empower his people in Greece to accomplish His will through the church's many outreach projects.

Domestic Missions–French Camp Academy: French Camp Academy is an interdenominational Christian boarding school that provides a quality Christ-centered education and atmosphere to their students. Praise God for leading five students to commit their lives to Christ this semester, for the professional counseling department that is committed to Christ-centered care, and for the new Director of Counseling. Please pray for the students who are grieving the death of a former student, that the Lord would draw them to Himself. Pray for the Lord to provide for several open staff positions needed (houseparents, teachers, administrative staff, and maintenance). Finally, pray that their staff and Christian students would grow in zeal in their love for Christ and those God has placed at French Camp.

2PC Ministry–Youth Ministry: The goal of Second's Youth Ministry is to lead students in a growing relationship with Christ, the Church, and His work in the world. Praise the Lord that students have been inviting friends to attend events at Second with them! Join the staff in praying for representation from 20 different high schools in Memphis as well as for the Lord to fill two open staff positions by next summer. Pray also for the Junior and Senior High Fall Retreats—that students will grow in their love for Christ and each other while there and for continued growth as they return, as well as for the staff and volunteers to have energy and joy.

General Fund Giving Update					
	This Year Budget	This Year Actual	Variance to Budget	Prior Year Actual	Variance to Prior Year
September YTD 7/1/24–9/30/24	. ,	\$ 559,414 \$ 1,646,710	, , ,	. ,	. ,

October Flowers

The flowers in the Sanctuary this month are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of: Blanche and Bob Webb by their daughter, Judith Belisomo, and grandchildren, Tyson Belisomo and Randi B. Hernandez; Fred Tarkington by his daughter, Ferrin Mavar; Dr. Gerald Billions on his birthday by his family; James Marvin Garner by Mary and Orin Davidson; Janice Sullins Shubert by her daughter Linda Shubert Courtney and her family; Mildred Neal Gadberry and James Clayton Green by Charlotte and Bob Neal; Virginia and Ralph Braden by their family.

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