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October 18, 2026
Music Celebration Sunday

Morning Worship

8:15 & 11:00 a.m.

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.

GIVE PRAISE TO THE LORD

INSTRUMENTAL PRELUDE: Festive Prelude on “Old 100th” arr. Bruce Stevenson

James Ryan, conductor

CHORAL INTROIT: “Rejoice in the Lord” Jane Lindner

Words and Music: Jane Lindner / Philippians 4:4

Rejoice in the Lord, again I will say rejoice!

Be gentle to all, the Lord is near.

Be thankful and pray, and God will give you peace.

Cherub Choir

Maggie Moore, 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: Psalm 105:1-2. Damon Conley

HYMN OF PRAISE: No. 68 “All Creatures of Our God and King”. LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Words: Francis of Assisi; tr. William H. Draper / Music: Geistliche Kirchengesäng; arr. Garrett Heady / Psalm 145:10

Cherub, Music Makers, and Spirit & Song Choirs:

All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us sing alleluia, alleluia!

Thou burning sun with golden beam, thou silver moon with softer gleam,

O praise Him, O praise Him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

✦ *Congregation stands and joins:*

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "All Creatures of Our God and King". It features a treble and bass staff with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 3/4 time signature. The melody is written in the treble staff, and the bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the treble staff, aligned with the notes. The lyrics are: "2. Thou rush - ing wind that art so strong, ye clouds that sail in 3. Thou flow - ing wa - ter, pure and clear, make mu - sic for thy 4. And all ye men of ten - der heart, for - giv - ing oth - ers, 5. Let all things their Cre - a - tor bless, and wor - ship him in".

heav'n a - long, O praise him, al - le - lu - ia! Thou ris - ing
 Lord to hear, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Thou fire so
 take your part, O sing ye, al - le - lu - ia! Ye who long
 hum - ble - ness, O praise him, al - le - lu - ia! Praise, praise the

morn in praise re - joice, ye lights of eve - ning, find a voice,
 mas - ter - ful and bright, that giv - est man both warmth and light,
 pain and sor - row bear, praise God and on him cast your care,
 Fa - ther praise the Son, and praise the Spir - it, three in one,

O praise him, O praise him, al - le - lu - ia,
 al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

◆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.

CHORAL PRAISE: "Let Us Rejoice and Sing!" Larry Shultz

Words and Music: Larry Shultz / Psalm 118:24

This is the day the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and sing!
This is the day, let us rejoice. This is the day the Lord has made.

Sing even when the night is long and you must sing a silent song.
Sing even when the day goes wrong; sing to the Lord a song.

Sing to the Lord in honesty;
Sing to the Lord triumphantly;
Sing to the Lord most joyfully!

Music Makers Choir
Maggie Moore, director

SACRAMENT OF CHRISTIAN BAPTISM (8:15)

Elizabeth "Betsy" Jane Wallace, born December 29, 2025, daughter of Charlotte and David Wallace

SONG OF ENCOURAGEMENT: "Jesus Loves You" JESUS LOVES ME

**Jesus loves you, this we know, for the Bible tells us so;
Little ones to Him belong, you are weak, but He is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves you! Yes, Jesus loves you!
Yes, Jesus loves you! The Bible tells us so.**

RECEIVE HIS GRACE

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Loving Father,
You are worthy of our complete trust and full devotion,
yet we confess that we have sinned against You
in thought, word, and deed.
Forgive us for entertaining sin,
disobeying Your Word,
and for doubting Your promises of grace.
Return us to the joy of Your salvation
and awaken us to joyful obedience
that we may live as faithful disciples of Jesus Christ.
It is in His name and for His sake we pray.**

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON.....Romans 5:8

*God shows his love for us in that
while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.*

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.

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "Ev'ry Time I Feel the Spirit" Moses Hogan

Words and Music: Traditional Spiritual; arr. Moses Hogan

*Ev'ry time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart, I will pray.
Yes, ev'ry time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart, I will pray.*

On the mountain, my Lord spoke,
Out of His mouth came fire and smoke.
Down in the valley, on my knees,
Asked my Lord, have mercy please.

Jordan river, chilly and cold,
Chills the body, not the soul
All around me, looked so fine,
Asked my Lord if all was mine.

Ain't but one train, on this track,
Runs from heaven and right back.
St. Peter waitin' at the gate,
Said come on sinner, don't be late.

Rooted in the African American spiritual tradition, this song weaves images of Sinai, the Jordan River, and the journey to heaven into a testimony of enduring faith. Born of a people who knew bondage and suffering, its joy is hard-won, not carefree. It proclaims a God who speaks on the mountain, meets us in the valley, and sustains us through every trial. Each return of the refrain gives faith's answer to that presence: whenever the Spirit moves, we pray.

*Timothy Miles, Nora Nease, and Hunter Wepfer, soloists
Spirit & Song Choir and The Chancel Choir
Calvin Ellis, director*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

TRUST HIS LIFE-GIVING 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: “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!**

SCRIPTURE LESSON. Isaiah 50:4-51:8
(page 611 in pew Bible)

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

SERMON: “A Word for the Weary” George Robertson

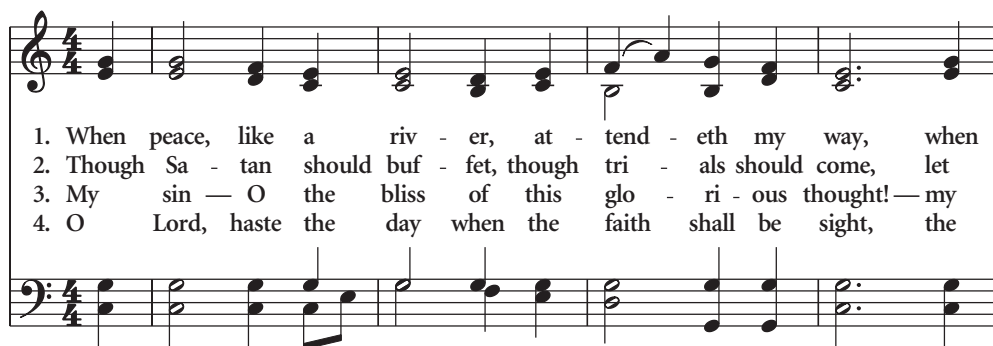
- I. Helper (50:4-9)**
 - A. Words (4-5)
 - B. Endurance (6)
 - C. Vindication (7-9)
- II. Light (50:10-11)**
 - A. The Lord’s Light (10)
 - B. Self-made Light (11)
- III. Salvation (51:1-8)**
 - A. Comfort will overwhelm grief (1-3)
 - B. Justice will overcome dismay (4-6)
 - C. Righteousness will outlast history (7-8)

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.

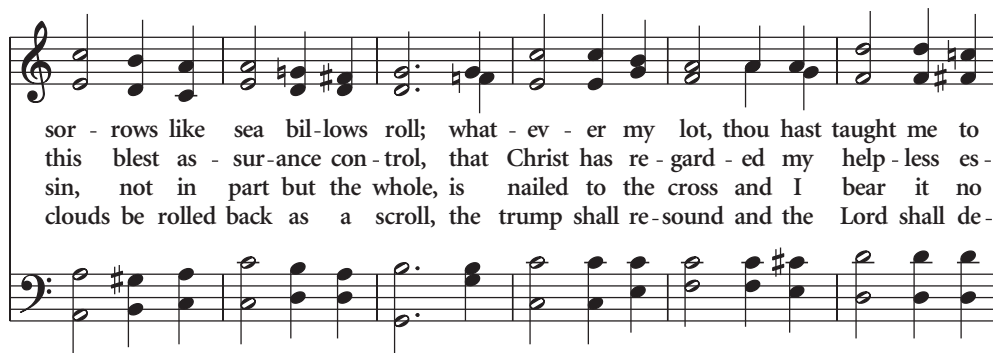
PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

♦HYMN OF COMMITMENT: No. 573 "It Is Well with My Soul" VILLE DU HAVRE

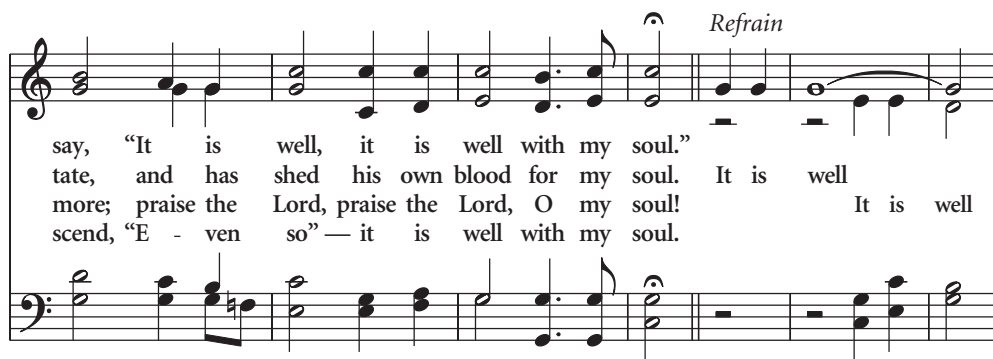
Words: Horatio G. Spafford / Music: Philip P. Bliss; arr. Paul Roberts / Philippians 4:7



1. When peace, like a riv - er, at - tend - eth my way, when
 2. Though Sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should come, let
 3. My sin — O the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought! — my
 4. O Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight, the



sor - rows like sea bil-lows roll; what - ev - er my lot, thou hast taught me to
 this blest as - sur - ance con - trol, that Christ has re - gard - ed my help - less es -
 sin, not in part but the whole, is nailed to the cross and I bear it no
 clouds be rolled back as a scroll, the trump shall re-sound and the Lord shall de -



Refrain
 say, "It is well, it is well with my soul."
 tate, and has shed his own blood for my soul. It is well
 more; praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! It is well
 scend, "E - ven so" — it is well with my soul.



with my soul; it is well, it is well with my soul.
 with my soul;

✦BENEDICTION

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

✦BENEDICTION RESPONSE VILLE DU HAVRE

**It is well (it is well) with my soul (with my soul);
It is well, it is well with my soul.**

✦POSTLUDE: "Toccata" John Weaver

✦Indicates congregation standing CCLI License #252778

*Instrumentalists: Barrie Cooper and James Ryan, violin; Beth Luscombe, viola; Mark Wallace, cello;
Nairam Simoes and Mason Kibble, trumpet; Wilker Augusto, horn; Greg Luscombe, trombone;
Joe Sellmansberger, tuba; Ed Murray, timpani and percussion; Leo Davis, organ*



Today at 5:00 p.m. on the Poplar Field

Three times a year, we change things up and take our Sunday evening gathering outside! Tonight, come enjoy the beautiful fall weather on the Poplar Field with free dinner, live music, games, and worship. It's a fun evening for all ages and a great opportunity to bring friends and neighbors to experience Second!

We'll begin gathering at 5:00 p.m. with burgers, hot dogs, chips, and bottled water, along with music and time to play. Worship begins at 6:00 p.m. Bring a lawn chair or blanket, and feel free to bring a frisbee, football, soccer ball, or anything else for some friendly competition. We hope to see you there!

Last Day for CityServe Food & Resource Drive

Through this evening, we're collecting food and other essential supplies to help meet practical needs across our city. Donations will be distributed through Neighborhood Christian Centers, World Relief Memphis, Refugee Empowerment Program, and Berclair Elementary. Visit 2pc.org/fooddrive for a list of suggested items, then bring your donations to the decorated barrels in the B and C buildings or the Recreation Lobby.

Thank You, Music at Second

We are blessed each Sunday by the many singers and instrumentalists who use their God-given gifts to serve Christ and His body at Second. Please join us in thanking those who help us to make a joyful noise unto the Lord.

Chancel Choir

Becki Albert
Ginny Atkinson
Vickie Baker
Jerry Bowman
Marjorie Bowman
Bob Bradsher
Valetta Brinson
Suzanne Bugar
Pat Corbitt
Kennedi Dickens
Mary Edwards
Jauna Ellis
Sarah Enoch
Beth Fischer
Fred Flinn
Antoinette Good
Emily Hale
Alex Happ
Mya Hawkins
Garrett Heady
Alissa Heirigs
Mary Helen Holman
Lorraine Hughes
Ben Hughes
Rosalyn Hurt
Katie Hutcheson
Briona Jackson
Betty Lu Jones
Dominique Jones
Harold Knight
Bella Kulinski
Jim Lafferty
Donna Lee
Rob Liddon
Greg Mason
West McElhany
Daija McNeil
Brody Melton
Maggie Moore
Kenya Nichols
Carol Overcast
Beldon Partson
Gay Rhodes
Jackie Robertson
Ava Shatley
Leslie Shaw
Sam Shaw
Peggy Stephens
Steve Tackett
Paola Tennon
Paula Thweatt
Elizabeth Wall
Susan Warner
Hope Whitehead

Sunday Night Musicians

Zoe Baskin
Phillip Bond
Valetta Brinson
Emma Grace Burgess
Shawn Campbell
Grace Coates
Julian Cross
Kennedi Dickens
Jauna Ellis
Hunter Fair
Ashley Frazer
Kem Gray
Savannah Gresham
Eric Hale
Emily Hale
Jenna Hamilton
Mya Hawkins
Garrett Heady
Claude Hinds
Lorraine Hughes
Ben Hughes
Edlyn Jarquin
Brenae Johnson
Brad Jones
Dominique Jones
Amanda Joy
Ethan Knight
Jacob Loreant
Joe Mariencheck
Suzanne Mariencheck
Daija McNeil
Andrew McNeill
Brody Melton
Jeremy Nall
David Pruitt
Robb Roaten
Stephanie Rolfe
Damien Savage
Ava Shatley
Adrianna Steele
Taylor Tollison
Jessica Uke
Tamika Walker
Nik Weber
Carrie Weber
Ford Webster
Emily Woelke

Youth Worship Team

Christian Cuneo
Mary Ann
Ellingsworth
Chase Frazer
Clare Hallum
Ronshel
Kurusanthony
Truman Thomasmeyer
Lark Thompson
Katie Thompson
Maggie Willson

Cherub Choir

Maggie Barnes
David Blackmon
James Rowe Blackmon
Bo Bobango
Evie Bolick
Lylla Byrd
Love Carter
Nell Cohen
Langley Davis
Ruth Edwards
Maisy Farnsworth
Georgia Graham
Florence Happ
Lucy Humphreys
Betsy Jensen
Lily Lewis
Eloise Liddon
Gabriel Lomo
Luka Lomo
George McGuinness
Beau Mink
Davy Montague
Gracie Montgomery
Aria Moore
Maggie Moore
Sophie Moore
James Morrison
Sallie Pickering
Hayes Plosser
Emilia Prather
Liam Preston
Chloe Samuel
Caroline Smith
Coco Song
Betsy Washam
Beau Weller
Hutch Wepfer
James Wesson
Callie Williams
Hart Wynn

Music Makers

Olivia Aquino
Lucy Bobango
Lakeland Carter
Kenton Cate
Palmer Clement
Sarah Curtis
Dottie Douglas
Peter Eick
Caleb Farnsworth
Kate Flinn
Finlay Hagan
Graham Hagan
Kojo Happel-Parkins
Lawson Harkins
Clay Harlan
Miller Harris
Andy Hewer
Maggie Himebook
Charlotte Humphreys
Hays Irvine
Rose Keeling
Abigail Lomo
Navy Manzi
Nile Manzi
Frannie McGuinness
Tallulah McGuinness
Zarah Miles
Mary Helen Mink
George Moore
Ann Margaret
Morrison
Abigail Nease
Claire O'Connor
Bette Cate Pickering
William Plosser
Simon Poole
Katherine Smith
Joy Stevens
Carter Tait
Margaret Towner
Laya Vasiredy
Ford Washam
Amelia Weatherly
Graham Wepfer
Rhen Williams
Henry Wynn

Spirit & Song

Sam Crosby
Elaina Devine
James Eick
Alex Miles
Elliana Miles
Timothy Miles
Nora Nease
Beckham Preston
Mary Lane Stevens
Hunter Wepfer
Elizabeth Yonchak
Harris Yonchak

Children's Music Staff & Volunteers

Pat Corbitt
Sarah Curtis
Garrett Heady
Mya Hawkins
Bella Kulinski
Maggie Moore
Vicki Simmons

Conservatory

Valetta Brinson, *voice*
Garrett Heady, *guitar*
Bella Kulinski, *piano*
Beth Luscombe, *violin*
Gesiye Okoya, *piano*
Jessica Robinson, *piano*
Alisha Ruffy, *cello*
James Ryan, *violin*

Music at Second Staff: Calvin Ellis, *Director of Choirs*; James Ryan, *Director of Music Outreach and Conservatory of Music*; Leo Davis, *Organist*; Katie Hutcheson, *Administrative Assistant*; Maggie Moore, *Children's Music Discipleship Coordinator*; Garrett Heady, *Music Fellow*; Mya Hawkins and Bella Kulinski, *Interns*; Barton Kimbro, *Pastor & Director of Worship*

Caring Ministry Update

Sympathy to:

Nancy Ellis on the death of her husband,
Mal Ellis, October 9, 2026. (*Laurelwood Parish*)

In the Hospital (as of 10/14/26):

Sam Large, *Methodist Germantown*
(*Germantown Parish*)

Bill Pickens, *Memphis Jewish Home*
(*Germantown Parish*)

Weekly Prayer Focus

World Missions–Adam and DeAnna: Adam and DeAnna minister for Christ through Campus Outreach in Birmingham, United Kingdom. A great number of the students are from Islamic backgrounds. They have enjoyed daily interactions with students and neighbors from all over the world. This is a wonderful field of opportunity to spread God's Word to the ends of the earth through multiplying discipleship. However, this past year, CO's primary university tightened its security measures so connecting with those students became difficult. Praise God that a believing student was placed in a leadership position on that campus! Pray that he would be effective in this role. Finally, pray for the students who are searching for the Truth from a place of spiritual darkness, especially those who may pay a high cost for leaving family traditions.

Mission Memphis–The Center Memphis: The Center Memphis helps leaders navigate the realities of work and life with hope grounded in God's Word. Through career coaching, life and retirement planning, and connections to meaningful work and wise counsel, TCM equips people to flourish in their vocations. Pray that God would continue to transform the hearts and minds of the men and women TCM serves, equipping them to use their workplaces as platforms for discipleship and for advancing God's Kingdom. Also, ask the Lord to bring renewal through His Spirit, using their faithfulness in the workplace to cultivate His shalom throughout our city.

2PC Ministry–Music Ministry: Led by Calvin Ellis, James Ryan, Leo Davis, and Katie Hutcheson, Second's Music Ministry exists to guide our church in joyful worship and to reach the city for Christ, using music as the medium. The ministry blends many styles, genres, instruments, and choirs in order to expand members' capacity to joyfully worship God in a variety of ways. In addition, the ministry offers choral and instrumental groups for all ages and abilities, as well as lessons through the Second Conservatory of Music. Pray for the Music Ministry's preparations for the upcoming Advent and Christmas season. Pray for the Second Conservatory of Music—that as students and families come into our church to receive music education, they would also see Jesus and our church's heart for the Gospel and the city of Memphis. Finally, pray for all our Music Ministry participants, from children's choirs to adult choirs, and for all of our church family, that through music and song, all would experience joyful and Spirit-filled worship to our God.

October Flowers

The flowers in the Sanctuary this month are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of: *Virginia and Ralph Braden* by their family; *Dr. Gerald Billions* on his birthday by his loving family; *Derek Clenin* by Rebecca, Quinton, Harris, and Mary Clayton Stine; *Mildred Neal Gadberry and James Clayton Green* by Charlotte and Bob Neal; *James Marvin Garner* by Mary and Orin Davidson; *Mr. and Mrs. Fred Tarkington* by their daughter, Ferrin Mavar; *Ginny Towner* by her family; and *Blanche and Bob Webb* by their daughter, Judith Belisomo, and their grandchildren.

Reformation Service: October 25 at IPC

We look forward to joining with Independent Presbyterian Church (4738 Walnut Grove) in celebrating Reformation Sunday on October 25. Last year, IPC joined us in our sanctuary, and this year, they'll graciously host our congregation in their sanctuary. Dr. Iver Martin, Principal of Edinburgh Theological Seminary, will serve as the guest preacher.

Nursery will be provided for children up to Junior Kindergarten; 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." There, they'll discover God's mission for the world through hands-on activities that inspire them to give, serve, and pray for those in need globally.

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

Women's Equipping Forum with Karen Ellis: October 29

Countless Christian brothers and sisters around the world are being oppressed because of their devotion to Jesus. What can and should we do about it? Our Women's Equipping Forum on Thursday, October 29, "Persevering with the Persecuted Church," will aim to educate Second's sisters and friends about the current experiences of our persecuted Christian siblings and train us in tangible opportunities that God is giving us as a local church to partner with them.

We'll meet from 6:30–8:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Our gathering will feature a presentation by Karen Ellis, founder and Executive Director of the Center for Christian Endurance, as well as a time of moderated Q&A with Karen and Andy Cheely, 2PC Director of World Missions. Visit 2pc.org/forum to learn more and register.

Join the Choir for Festival of Carols!

Love to sing but can't commit to joining the choir every week? Join the choir for Advent and help lead worship for Festival of Carols on December 6. Rehearsals are on Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m., and participants are asked to attend at least five rehearsals plus the dress rehearsal on Wednesday, December 2. Email music@2pc.org with questions.

General Fund Giving Update

	This Year Budget	This Year Actual	Variance to Budget	Prior Year Actual	Variance to Prior Year
September	\$ 743,908	\$ 780,127	\$ 36,219	\$ 574,873	\$ 205,254
YTD 7/1/26–9/30/26	\$ 2,334,706	\$ 2,607,250	\$ 272,544	\$ 2,268,811	\$ 338,439

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