

Order for the Public Worship of God

The Seventh Day of September, Two Thousand and Eight

Season of Trinity

8:15 & 10:50 A.M. • The Sanctuary

As you enter the Sanctuary, please assume a quiet and respectful attitude of worship.  
Please turn off your cell phone.

ORGAN PRELUDES:

“Prelude in G Minor” ..... J. S. Bach

Robert Vestal

“Fugue in G Minor” ..... F. Lizst

Lenora Morrow, Organist

WORD ON WORSHIP

In Christ, Worshiping Christ

Sanders L. Willson

CHORAL INTROIT: “Since By Man Came Death” ..... G. F. Handel

Since by man came death,  
By man came also the resurrection of the dead.  
For as in Adam all die,  
Even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

Westminster Singers (8:15), The Chancel Choir (10:50)  
John M. Hodges, Director of Music

CALL TO WORSHIP

Jonathan R. Becker

✠HYMN OF PRAISE

No. 155: “O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High!” ..... DEO GRACIAS

✠PROPHETIC LESSON

Jeremiah 23:1-6

“Woe to the shepherds who are destroying and scattering the sheep of my pasture!” declares the Lord. Therefore this is what the Lord, the God of Israel says to the shepherds who tend my people: “Because you have scattered my flock and driven them away and have not bestowed care on them, I will bestow punishment on you for the evil you have done,” declares the Lord.

“I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the countries where I have driven them and will bring them back to their pasture, where they will be fruitful and increase in number.

I will place shepherds over them who will tend them, and they will no longer be afraid or terrified, nor will any be missing,” declares the Lord.

“The days are coming,” declares the Lord,  
“When I will raise up to David a righteous Branch,  
a King who will reign wisely  
and do what is just and right in the land.

In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety.

This is the name by which he will be called:  
the Lord Our Righteousness.”

✠DOXOLOGY

DEO GRACIAS

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. Amen.

✠PRAYER OF ADORATION

GOSPEL LESSON ..... John 15:1-8  
(page 1068 in pew Bible)

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord Jesus Christ,  
Who calls us to abide in You that we may have life,  
and in Whom alone we bear fruit for the Father’s glory,  
we confess our need for much pruning,  
for we have at times sought to live apart from You.  
Please forgive us for our foolish ways.  
We are sorry and do humbly repent.  
Strengthen us as Your branches,  
and bear much fruit through us,  
that our Father may be glorified,  
now and forevermore. Amen.

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

✠HYMN OF ASSURANCE: No. 498: “Jesus, What a Friend for Sinners” ..... HYFRYDOL

stanzas 1, 2 & 5

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS ..... Ronald G. Sadlow

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: “Christus Factus Est” ..... A. Bruckner

And being found in human form He became obedient unto death  
Even death upon a cross  
Therefore God has highly Him exalted.  
A name to Him was given which is higher, higher than all names,  
Yea, much higher than all names.

✠CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

QUELLE EST CETTE ODEUR AGREABLE

Thou Who art God beyond all praising,  
All for love’s sake becamest man;  
Stooping so low, but sinners raising,  
Heav’nward by Thine eternal plan.  
Thou Who art God beyond all praising,  
All for love’s sake becamest man.

Thou Who art love beyond all telling,  
Savior and King, we worship Thee.  
Emmanuel, within us dwelling,  
Make us what Thou wouldst have us be.  
Thou Who art love beyond all telling,  
Savior and King, we worship Thee.

✠PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

✠GREETINGS

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN (8:15)

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.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

EPISTLE LESSON ..... II Corinthians 8:1-9  
(page 1146 in pew Bible)

All men are like grass, and all their glory is like the flowers of the field;  
The grass withers and the flowers fall,  
but the Word of our God stands forever. Amen. (Isaiah 40:6b, 8)

SERMON

Managing God’s Gifts:  
The Jesus Way

Sanders L. Willson

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

✠HYMN OF DEVOTION No. 434: “Lord, Thou Lov’st the Cheerful Giver” ..... BEECHER

✠BENEDICTION

✠CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

ORGAN POSTLUDE: “Prelude and Fugue in F Major” ..... J. S. Bach

✠Indicates congregation standing

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We consider it a privilege to have our children in worship with us. If your small children become restless and vocal, we invite you to the children’s room especially designed for them at the rear of the Sanctuary. They are also welcome in the nursery. Older children should also be encouraged to come to church prepared to stay in their pew throughout the service.  
One of our pastors will be available after the service to pray for you or to offer helpful direction regarding your spiritual life. He will be in the Gathering Room, which is the first room on your left as you exit the southwest door of the Sanctuary (closest to the pulpit). You may also send your confidential email to pastor@2pc.org with questions about your spiritual life.

Sunday Night Worship

THE HORIZONTAL GOSPEL

“Loving the Poor”  
Preaching: Jon Becker  
Communion

The early church was faced with the challenges of a burgeoning movement, new leadership at every level, and a struggle for the purity of the Gospel, all while trying to transform their culture—a culture that was marked by a callousness toward the needy. Despite the challenges, there was one issue that united them—maintaining a passion for the poor. Tonight we will see why Jesus prioritized the under-resourced, why Paul was eager to do it himself, and the relationship between the Gospel and our care for the poor.

Join us tonight 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

September Flowers

The rosebuds in the Chancel of the Sanctuary today are placed in honor of the births of: Charles Thompson Snider, born August 15, 2008, son of Carey and Brad Snider and Carter Remington Bell, born August 27, 2008, son of Jill and Joel Bell.

The flowers in the Sanctuary for the month of September are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of: Dr. W. K. Boren by his wife Pat, his children and grandchildren; Jack Cox by his wife Helen and his family; Fletcher Gilbert Johnson by his wife JoAnn, his children and grandchildren; Lucy Shaw by Richard, Cynthia, Winston and Patton Shaw; Libby Wilson Wittenberg by her parents, Margaret and Rollin Wilson.

And in honor of: Our friend, Ivey Bright, by members of the Chancel Guild.

Weekly Focus on Mission Partners

World Missions: Aileen Coleman has served as spiritual leader and administrator of Anoor Sanatorium in Mafrag, Jordan for more than 50 years. In addition to caring for the Bedouin women, Aileen has often kept and cared for babies in her room at night. Usually these are babies whose mothers have died or who have chronic illness. The care of these babies has often opened doors for Aileen to tell their relatives of the love of Jesus Christ. Three years ago, the son of a Jordanian missionary told Aileen he felt the Lord was leading him to finance the building of a home for “special needs infants and children”. His father donated the land, and plans were drawn up and agreed upon. Afterward, they realized there was nowhere for the children to play when weather did not permit their going outside. Aileen states, “We were delighted when my home church in Tennessee (Second Pres.) provided the funds needed to turn the basement into a large play area.” At the end of this year, a team from Second will travel to Jordan to help complete work on the play area. Aileen says, “Our home will have a warm, family atmosphere. Would you please pray with us that the Lord will give us wisdom and guidance to care for the children whom He chooses to bring to us!”

MissionUSA: Citizens for Community Values of Memphis: Please pray for M.H., one of CCV’s ladies who has relapsed. Please pray that God will send them some new ladies who really have a desire for a new life in Christ. They could take about five more ladies presently. They are praising the Lord for the A Way Out Program being awarded the Samaritan Award this year and for the story in World Magazine about the program. Please pray for wisdom for CCV’s Board and staff as they continually try to follow His leading in helping make our city a better place to live and in helping women and their children leave the “sex-for-sale” industry.

Announcements

ATTENTION PARENTS: Promotion Sunday for children’s Sunday School classes is today. For more information about your child’s new Sunday School room location, stop in the D building entryway or at the nursery desk.

KICKOFF A MOTHER’S HEART BIBLE STUDY WITH US: Come and celebrate our first Tuesday morning study, September 9, at 9 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. This is our 20th anniversary year and we’ll take a look back with Sandy Hazelwood, one of our founding leaders. Sandy’s words of wisdom, encouragement, and fun will be a delightful way to inspire us to grow in our love for the Lord and our children. We look forward to seeing everyone and extend a warm welcome.

RENEW BIBLE STUDY START DATE: We regret that two different start dates for the Renew women’s Bible study appeared in the Women in Ministry Program & Calendar Booklet. The correct start date is September 17 in room C310. For more information, contact the Women in Ministry Office at 454-0034.

GIRLS NIGHT OUT: Join us Friday, September 12, at 7:30 p.m. at the coffee shop across from The Bookmark bookstore for a fun evening of jazz and entertainment featuring Lenora Morrow. Sponsored by Women in Ministry, this premiere event presents an opportunity for women to enjoy fellowship time together and relax with friends. Dessert’s on the house; coffee will be for sale. Call the Women in Ministry Office at 454-0034 for more information.

DIVORCE RECOVERY: The Divorce Recovery program meets weekly on Wednesdays through October 29 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. in C106. Rainbows, a nine-week program for children of divorce, meets at the same time in D109. Call 454-0034 for more information. Registration is closed September 17.

MEN’S ADULT FLAG FOOTBALL: Register your team now through September 19 at www.2pcsports.org or email pems@2pc.org for more information.

BASKETBALL REGISTRATION TIME: Registration for JK-sixth grade boys and girls begins September 8 and ends September 26. Please sign up online at www.2pcsports.org. Games will begin in early December and end in February. Please call 454-0034 for more

information or contact Phil Ems at pems@2pc.org, Robert O’Kelley at rokelley@2pc.org or Rachel Hammons at rhammons@2pc.org.

LEGACY LUNCHEON: All women are invited to join us Tuesday, September 16, for an exciting lunch with Jacky Gatliff. Having been a “Young Life kid” in high school, Jacky found her passion for ministry nurtured during her college years while volunteering with Young Life. She is a graduate of Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary where she met her husband, Mike. The Gatliffs have served churches in Charlotte, NC, Peterborough, NH, Hamilton, MA, Northville, MI, and currently, Second, where Mike is Pastor to Middle Adults. Jacky has had a wide range of ministry opportunities and experiences including director of a crisis pregnancy center, Christian education, youth ministries and hospice chaplaincy and grief support education. Jacky has served as Director of EPC Women In Ministry since April 2005. Tickets are on sale now and nursery reservations may be made in The Bookmark bookstore through September 9. Call the Women in Ministry Office at 454-0034 for more information.

NEW AND EXPECTANT PARENT OPEN HOUSE: All new and expectant parents are cordially invited to the Early Childhood Committee’s open house Sunday, September 21 at 9:30 a.m. in the nursery. During this time, we will tour the nursery and answer any questions you may have. This event welcomes first time parents as well as those new to our Early Childhood Program. Please RSVP to Mandy Morse at 454-0034.

FALL INQUIRERS: You may have faith questions, wish to know more about Second, or you may be ready to pursue membership at 2PC. Perhaps you are a long-time member, but you still want to know more about church government, worship, or doctrinal issues. Fall Inquirers is for you! The class is a series of five sessions – Friday evening October 3, Saturday morning October 4, Sunday morning October 5, Monday evening October 6, and Sunday afternoon, October 12. We would love for you to join us as we explore God and His church. Call the Inquirers’ Office at 454-0034, ext.172 for details and registration information.

2PC FIRECRACKER GOLF SCRAMBLE: Join us Monday, October 20, at 1 p.m. at The Links at Galloway for this unique golf scramble. Pre-registration is going on now through October 10 online at www.2pcsports.org. For more information, contact Robert O’Kelley at 454-0034 or rokelley@2pc.org.

JR. HIGH YOUTH: Three Degrees meets this evening at 7:15 in the Activities Building. Three Degrees Small Groups meet Wednesday evening at 6:15. Join us for Tuesday morning prayer at the Jorgensens’, 2097 Firefly Cove. Keep up-to-date on all Three Degrees activity by checking our website: www.2pcyouth.org!

SR. HIGH YOUTH: True North Small Groups meet this afternoon at 4:30 at the church. True North meets Wednesday night at 7:30 in the Youth Lounge. Join us for Tuesday morning prayer at the Jorgensens’, 2097 Firefly Cove. **High School Seniors:** Join Sandy Willson and Wes Simmons for lunch Sunday, September 14, at the Wepfers’ home, 198 South Goodlett. Lunch begins at 12:30. For more information on True North, visit our website at www.2pcyouth.org.

FAREWELL TO BROOKE FABER: After five years of ministry at Second, Brooke Faber has accepted a call to be Girls Ministry Director at Mitchell Road Presbyterian Church in Greenville, SC. We will hold a farewell reception for Brooke Sunday, September 14, immediately following the 10:50 a.m. worship service. Please stop by room C310 and bid farewell to Brooke. Refreshments will be served.

KAIROS COLLEGE MINISTRY: All college students are invited to our Sunday morning time of teaching and fellowship at 9:45 in the college classroom (upstairs in the Activities Building). Sandy Willson will be teaching the College CC September 7, 14 and 21 on the topic of worship. **Join us for a free lunch today** in C310 right after the late worship service. This a great opportunity to fellowship and meet new folks. For more information about the College Ministry, please visit: www.2pckairos.org.



September 26-28

Dinner tickets are on sale in the hallways now for Friday night’s Celebration Dinner with Gary Shorb, Chairman of Memphis Tomorrow  
Don’t miss Saturday’s Churchwide Day of Service!

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