

Order for the Public Worship of God

The First Day of August, Two Thousand and Ten

Season of Trinity

8:15 & 11:00 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 PRELUDE: “THAXTED” arr. W. H. Bates

Lenora Morrow, Organist

CHORAL INTROIT: “O God Beyond All Praising” M. Perry

O God beyond all praising, we worship You today
And sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay;
For we can only wonder at every gift You send,
At blessings without number and mercies without end:
We lift our hearts before You and wait upon Your Word,
We honor and adore You, our great and mighty Lord.

Then hear, O gracious Savior, accept the love we bring,
That we who know Your favor may serve You as our King;
And whether our tomorrows be filled with good or ill,
We’ll triumph through our sorrows and rise to bless You still:
To marvel at Your beauty and glory in Your ways,
And make a joyful duty our sacrifice of praise.

*Sandra Krueger, soloist (8:15)
Summer Family Choir (11:00)
Gabriel C. Statom, Director of Music*

CALL TO WORSHIP Michael R. Gatliff

✦HYMN OF FAITHFULNESS: No. 94 “How Firm a Foundation” FOUNDATION
stanzas 1-5

✦READING FROM THE PSALTER: Psalm 119:1-2, 9-18 Kathy Hammond (8:15)
Peggy Stephens (11:00)

Blessed are they whose ways are blameless,
who walk according to the law of the Lord.

**Blessed are they who keep his statutes
and seek him with all their heart.**

How can a young man keep his way pure?
By living according to your word.

**I seek you with all my heart;
do not let me stray from your commands.**

I have hidden your word in my heart
that I might not sin against you.

**Praise be to you, O Lord;
teach me your decrees.**

With my lips I recount all the laws that come from your mouth.

**I rejoice in following your statutes
as one rejoices in great riches.**

I meditate on your precepts and consider your ways.

**I delight in your decrees;
I will not neglect your word.**

Do good to your servant, and I will live;
I will obey your word.

**Open my eyes that I may see
wonderful things in your law.**

✦CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE FOUNDATION

**The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to his foes;
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I’ll never, no never, no never forsake.**

✦PRAYER OF ADORATION

READING FROM THE GOSPEL John 1:1-14
(page 1049 in pew Bible)

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Almighty God,
we acknowledge and confess that we have sinned against You
in thought, word, and deed;
we have not loved You with all of our heart, soul, mind, and strength;
we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves.**

**Deepen within us our sorrow
for the wrong we have done, and the good we have left undone.**

**Lord, You are full of compassion and grace,
slow to anger, and rich in mercy;
there is always forgiveness with You!
Restore to us the joy of Your salvation;
bind up that which is broken,
give light to our minds, strength to our wills,
and rest to our souls.**

**Speak to each of us,
and let Your Word abide with us
until it has wrought in us Your holy will. Amen.**

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

✦HYMN OF INCARNATION: “O Word of God Incarnate” AURELIA

**O Word of God incarnate, O Wisdom from on high,
O Truth unchanged, unchanging, O Light of our dark sky;
We praise Thee for the radiance that from the hallowed page,
A lantern to our footsteps, shines on from age to age.**

**The church from her dead master received the gift divine,
And still that light she lifteth o’er all the earth to shine.
It is the golden casket, where gems of truth are stored;
It is the heav’n drawn picture of Christ, the living Word.**

**It floateth like a banner before God’s host unfurled;
It shineth like a beacon above the darkling world.
It is the chart and compass that o’er life’s surging sea,
’Mid mists and rocks and quicksands, still guides, O Christ, to Thee.**

**O make Thy church, dear Savior, a lamp of purest gold,
To bear before the nations Thy true light, as of old.
O teach Thy wand’ring pilgrims by this their path to trace,
Till, clouds and darkness ended, they see Thee face to face.**

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS TO THE LORD Andrew P. Wells

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: “To Be With Christ” arr. Paul Jones

This world is beautiful and bright, O scare one cloud has dimmed my sky,
And yet no gloomy shades of night are gathering around me though I die;
Yet there is a lovelier land of light, illumined by Bethlehem’s beaming Star;
Even now it bursts upon my sight, to be with Christ is better far.

True, life is sweet and friends are dear, and youth and health are pleasant things;
Yet, leave I all, without a tear, no sad regret my bosom wrings.
The ties of earth are broken all, my chainless soul above yon star,
Shall wing its way beyond recall, to be with Christ is better far.

And is thus death? My soul is calm, no sting is here, the strife is done;
Glory to God and to the Lamb! Sweet triumph! I have won, I’ve won!
A crown immortal, robes of white, for me, for me in waiting are;
Arrayed in glory, clothed in light, to be with Christ is better far.

Sandra Krueger, soloist

✦DOXOLOGY OLD HUNDRETH

**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 THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

✦GREETINGS

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN (8:15)

PRAYER 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.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING II Kings 22:1-13
(page 384 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 *Reformation by the Word* Jonathan R. Becker

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

✦HYMN OF THE CROSS: No. 252 “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross” HAMBURG

✦BENEDICTION

✦CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

ORGAN POSTLUDE: “Allegro vivace” from *Sonata IV* F. Mendelssohn

✦Indicates congregation standing *CCLI License #252778*

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 - 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

The Implications of Conversion: A Study on Philippians 3:1-11
Paul and His Theology · Mitchell Moore, preaching

Paul's life changed dramatically after he met the Risen Jesus on the road to Damascus. Why? Because when God's people are converted to relating to God on His terms, they are never the same. Last week we saw how Paul's priority of what gave him status in his culture meant nothing to him after encountering Christ. This week we will see how his theology was turned on it's head, what that meant for Paul, and what it means for God's people today. Join us as we continue this brief study in the life and journey of Paul.

Weekly Focus on Mission Partners

World Missions: Leonardo and Valeria De Chirico, supported by the Second Presbyterian Foundation, are part of the Global Cities Church Planting movement. The vision of this movement is to establish Gospel-centered churches that will bring spiritual, social, and cultural renewal to every major city in the world. Moving to Rome, Italy in 2009, the De Chiricos began Breccia di Roma (Break of Rome). Leonardo and Valeria desire that the Lord will use the church to break through the wall of religious culture with the claims of the Gospel. Recently, students attending an Operation Mobilization mission conference in Rome distributed 6,000 Gospel tracks using the address of Breccia di Roma for follow-up. Pray that God will use this literature to reach searching people. This month Leonardo is preaching a series on the theme of rest. Pray that many will come to listen to God's word and will find rest in Jesus. Valeria, a nurse, has been able to share scripture and prayer with AIDS patients in the hospital where she works. They ask for prayer for continued opportunities to share the Gospel.

Mission Memphis: Direct prayers of thanksgiving to the Lord for Second's Director of Recreation, Robert O'Kelley, and the volunteers who were involved in hosting the White Station Football Team on our church campus this weekend for Football Camp. Pray that the Holy Spirit will impact the hearts of those who attended. Members of the team are present in our worship services today.

August Flowers

The rosebud in the Chancel of the Sanctuary today is placed in honor of the birth of: *Walker Williamson Brown*, born July 15, 2010, son of Betsy and David Brown.

The flowers in the Sanctuary today are given to the glory of God and honor of: *Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Sharpe* who were married last evening. Mrs. Sharp is the former Catherine Bell.

The flowers in the Sanctuary for the month of August are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of: *William Bryce, Jr.* by his family; *Ruth and Joe Davis, Sr.* and *Charles Dean* by Diane and Joe Davis, Jr.; *Charles C. Gillespie*, and members of the Curry-Gillespie Adult Class, including *Wynelle Kirkland, Beverly Tucker, Margaret Murphy, Joe Sammons, Oscar Edwards, Shirley Brigham, Dr. George Apperson, and Dorothy Kinzel*, who went to be with the Lord this year, by members of the class; *William Biddle Scull* by his sons, Sam and Trent and his grandchildren; *Jimmy Wetter* by his wife Betty and his children; *Ernest Williams, III* by his wife Jane and his family.

Announcements

WELCOME: If you are visiting with us today, we welcome you to Second Presbyterian. Please sign our Friendship Pad, which will be passed during the Greetings time of the service. Our Congregational Communities (CCs), also known as Sunday School classes, offer a wide variety of options appealing to various age groups and stages of life. Visiting a CC is the best way to get to know others and become involved. CCs meet on Sunday mornings at 9:45 a.m. For a full listing of classes, visit www.2pc.org/cc.

ANNUAL STAFF REPORT TO THE CONGREGATION: The Book of Government of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church, Paragraph 11-5, requires that the Terms of Call of each minister be reviewed annually. Ron Hickman, Staff Committee Chairman, reports that in accordance with the instructions of the congregation in May 1994, the Staff Committee has evaluated the compensation of all ministerial staff at Second Presbyterian Church and appropriate adjustments have been made.

SUMMER FAMILY CHOIR: This morning at the 11:00 a.m. service, you'll notice the choir is made up of all ages! It's our Summer Family Choir, and the Music Department invites you to join them every Sunday through August 15. The only required rehearsal is at 10:30 a.m. on Sunday before the 11:00 a.m. service begins. Music will be provided when you arrive, and dress is summer church attire — no robes will be worn! Contact the Music Department at music@2pc.org or 454-0034 for more information.

TOTS: Join us for TOTS on August 2 and 4, from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. These fun days of playtime and crafts are offered to children ages 5 months to 5 years old. Reservations must be made with Sha Tyus by calling 454-0034, ext. 170 or emailing sha.tyus@2pc.org. Cost is \$25 for one child, \$35 for two children, and \$45 for three or more children.

SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE: Our annual School Supply Drive for Berclair Elementary is ongoing through August 15. For more information, contact your CC leader or Kim Blankenship at kblankenship@2pc.org.

DOCTORS/NURSES NEEDED: Our partners at Mission to the World have contacted us with a need for doctors and nurses willing to travel in September or December to Haiti. For more information, contact Lisa Ritenour at Iritenour@2pc.org or 454-0034.

ESV BIBLES: The Bookmark Bookstore is restocked on English Standard Version Bibles, including compacts, children's editions, large print, reference, thin-lines, study Bibles, and more. On August 15, we will begin using the ESV translation in our worship services. Read more about this transition at www.2pc.org/esv.

NURSERY HELPING HANDS: Second's nursery is open for the women attending A Mother's Heart Bible study, and we're looking for extra helpers. The study begins September 9, and would require a commitment from 8:30-11:15 on Thursday mornings. This is a great way to make some extra spending money! For more information, contact Sha Tyus at 454-0034 or sha.tyus@2pc.org.

SUMMER AMEN: Mark your calendars for the final AMEN Bible Study of the summer — August 19 with Mitchell Moore. Breakfast is served in the Fellowship Hall beginning at 6:15 a.m., and the study begins at 6:30. The fall session begins September 16.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES: Online registration is available for the following Bible studies: A Mother's Heart, The Walk, Compass, Renew, and After Hours. Nursery registration is available for A Mother's Heart, Compass, and The Walk studies. For details on each study and online registration please go to www.2pc.org/women or contact Nancy Webster at 454-0034 or nwebster@2pc.org. Nursery registration deadline is August 13.

FAMILY CAMP: Staying close to home this summer? Join your 2PC family at NaCoMe Family Camp for Labor Day weekend (September 3-6). For more information and to register, visit www.2pc.org/familycamp.

PARENTING CONFERENCE: Second's Children's Ministry is hosting nationally recognized experts, David Thomas (co-author of *Wild Things: The Art of Nurturing Boys*) and Sissy Goff (co-author of *Raising Girls*), as speakers at the 2010 Parenting Conference. We hope you'll join us Sunday, September 12, 2-5 p.m., and bring another parent with you! Tickets are \$10 per parent (\$20 per couple) and childcare is available for \$10 per family. Your ticket allows you to invite a guest free of charge! Scholarships are available to cover the cost of admission and childcare for those in need. Register online at www.2pc.org or you may purchase tickets at The Bookmark Bookstore. To request a scholarship, contact Mandy Morse at mmorse@2pc.org or 454-0034.

JR HIGH: Three Degrees resumes Sunday, August 22! Gather your friends and prepare to kick off the school year with a bang! Meanwhile, be sure to visit our website at www.2pcyouth.org for all the latest news and photos!

SR HIGH: Join us for True North on August 18! Bring all your friends to the youth lounge for fun, food, fellowship, and a message from God's Word! For more information, photos, and more, visit our website at www.2pcyouth.org.

COLLEGE MINISTRY: The College Class meets on Sunday mornings at 9:45 for music, fellowship, and teaching in E2121. Join us for Tuesday Night Bible Study at 8 p.m. in the Student Ministries Commons as we fellowship and study God's Word (final summer meeting is August 3). For details, contact Kathy Wilson at 454-0034 or kwilson@2pc.org.

Annual Vision Banquet

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1 AT 5:30 P.M.

Tickets (\$10 adults, \$3 children) are available online, today in the Connector and in The Bookmark Bookstore. Nursery is available by reservation only. Children age 4-sixth grade will enjoy activities in the Gym & D Bldg.

We Need Your Photos! We are collecting pictures for this year's Vision Banquet slideshow. If you have any shots from the following events, please pick your favorites and email them to creative@2pc.org in JPG format: CityServe Day of Service, Shout Out, Advent, Short-term Missions, Women's Retreat, Gatherings for your CC or Vacation Bible School. We recommend sending no more than two at a time in an email. You may also burn them to a CD or drop off a memory card. Deadline for submissions is Sunday, August 15.

August 1, 2010

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