

Order for the Public Worship of God

The Thirty-first Day of October, Two Thousand and Ten

Reformation Sunday

8:15 and 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.*

BRASS AND ORGAN PRELUDE: “Psalm XIX” Benedetto Marcello

A WORD ON WORSHIP **Welcomed to the Family** Sanders L. Willson

CHORAL INTROIT: “Have You Not Known?”K. Lee Scott

Text from Isaiah 40:21-31

Have you not known? Have you not heard?
Has it not been told you that the everlasting God
Dwells on high in starry splendor?
His glory is unspeakable; His pow’r shall never fail.

*They that wait on the Lord shall renew their strength.
They shall mount up as eagles; they shall run and not grow weary;
They shall walk and never faint.*

To whom will God, the Lord, compare?
Who can stand His equal? By His word He formed the heav’ns;
By His pow’r He e’er sustains them.
Vain rulers perish hopelessly; strong nations come to naught.

Then why complain, O Israel?
Why downcast, O Jacob? Do you think He does not see?
Is your way now disregarded?
His knowledge is unsearchable, His wisdom strong and sure.

Have you not known? Have you not heard?
Has it not been told you that the everlasting God
Neither tires nor grows weary?
E’en youths shall stumble helplessly, the young grow weak and faint.

*The Westminster Singers (8:15) · The Chancel Choir (11:00)
Gabriel C. Statom, Director of Music*

CALL TO WORSHIP A. Mitchell Moore

✚HYMN OF GOD’S SOVEREIGNTY:
No. 75 “O Father, You Are Sovereign” St. Theodulph

✚PRAYER OF ADORATION

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Sovereign Lord,
Who made all that is,
Who governs the affairs of all people,
and before Whom, one day, every knee will bow,
we confess with grief and regret
that we have often questioned Your sovereignty
and dishonored Your Majesty.
We have acted as though we made ourselves
and have no need of Your mercy.
Please forgive our foolish arrogance.
We are truly sorry, and we humbly repent.
Enable us again to believe the good news
that Your Son Jesus has suffered and died for our sins
and that we, by His blood, are free of all condemnation.
By Your Spirit, kindle our affection for You
and move us to walk with You
that, by our joyful obedience, we may evermore glorify You,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

✚HYMN OF FAITH: No. 92 “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”Ein' FESTE BURG

✚READING FROM THE PSALMS: Psalm 84 Bill Weber (8:15)
Chris Taylor (11:00)

How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts!

**My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the Lord;
my heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God.**

Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself,
where she may lay her young, at your altars, O Lord of hosts,
my King and my God.

**Blessed are those who dwell in your house,
ever singing your praise!**

Blessed are those whose strength is in you,
in whose heart are the highways to Zion.

**As they go through the Valley of Baca
they make it a place of springs;
the early rain also covers it with pools.**

They go from strength to strength; each one appears before God in Zion.

**O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer;
give ear, O God of Jacob!**

Behold our shield, O God; look on the face of your anointed!

**For a day in your courts is better
than a thousand elsewhere.**

I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God
than dwell in the tents of wickedness.

**For the Lord God is a sun and shield;
the Lord bestows favor and honor.**

No good thing does he withhold from those who walk uprightly.

**O Lord of hosts,
blessed is the one who trusts in you!**

✚GLORIA PATRI GREATOREX

**Glorify be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen!**

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS TO GOD Timothy L. Russell

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: “O How Amiable”. Ralph Vaughan Williams

O how amiable are Thy dwellings: Thou Lord of hosts!
My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord:
My heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.
Yea, the sparrow hath found her an house,
And the swallow a nest where she may lay her young:
Even Thy altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.
Blessed are they that dwell in Thy house:
They will be alway praising Thee.
The glorious Majesty of the Lord our God be upon us;
Prosper Thou the work of our hands upon us.
O prosper Thou our handy-work.

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home.

✚CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE St. ANNE

**Under the shadow of Your throne Your saints have dwelt secure;
Sufficient is Your arm alone, and our defense is sure.**

**A thousand ages in Your sight are like an evening gone;
Short as the watch that ends the night before the rising sun.**

**O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come:
O be our guard while troubles last, and our eternal home.**

✚PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

✚GREETINGS

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN (8:15) Jonathan R. Becker

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.**

READING FROM THE EPISTLE Romans 3:19-26
(page 941 in pew Bible)

All flesh is grass, and all its beauty is like the flower of the field;
**The grass withers, the flower fades,
but the Word of our God will stand forever. Amen.** *(Isaiah 40:6b, 8)*

SERMON *Experiencing God: Justification* Sanders L. Willson

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

✚HYMN OF SALVATION: No. 524 “Thy Works, Not Mine, O Christ” DARWALL

✚BENEDICTION

✚CHORAL RESPONSE: “Amen” Eugene Butler

ORGAN POSTLUDE: “Built on a Rock, the Church Doth Stand”. David Cherwien

✚Indicates congregation standing *CCLI License #252778*

Instrumentalists: John Schuesselin and Ben Lewis, trumpets; Mark Vail and Greg Luscombe, trombones; Lenora Morrow, organ

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.

Community Reformation Service

Tonight at 6 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Tonight, Second will host the annual Community Reformation Service. Ten area churches will unite choirs and congregations to worship God and celebrate the restoration and spread of the Gospel of Jesus Christ during this important time in the history of the church. Join us as we worship together!

Weekly Focus on Mission Partners

World Missions: In 1983, Bill and Bobbie Boggess moved to France from Savannah, Georgia, to serve as church planters with TEAM (The Evangelical Alliance Mission). Their first church plant in Montigny where Bill was pastor and their three boys grew up, developed to the point that it was joyfully turned over to French leadership. In 2008 Bill and Bobbie planted their second church in Guyancourt. The church, a core group of about 20 which meets in the only hotel in Guyancourt, is growing and having baptisms and conversions. Bill, TEAM France’s Area leader, has the team developing a new church planting strategy. Bobbie teaches English to students — which provides opportunities for good spiritual discussions. Pray for a much-needed permanent place for the Guyancourt church and for the spiritual life of the Bill and Bobbie’s three boys who live in the U.S.

Mission Memphis: Advance Memphis requests that we join them in prayer for 18 JFL (Jobs for Life) participants — that they will experience freedom through the Gospel of Jesus, which will enable them to work hard and invest in their futures. AM is praising God for their six Warehouse Skills Training graduates and asks that we pray as they seek full-time employment. Also, pray for AM’s GED/Adult Literacy program — that as it continues to grow, tutors and resources will be available to meet the need.

October Flowers

The rosebuds in the Chancel of the Sanctuary today are placed in honor of the births of: *Ivy Ruth Uhlhorn*, born September 28, 2010, daughter of Nikki and Walker Uhlhorn, and *Miles Court Jackson*, born September 28, 2010, son of Lindley and Chad Jackson.

The flowers in the Sanctuary for the month of October are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of: *Joanne G. Brown* by her family; *Virginia and Ralph Braden* by their family; *Mildred Neal Gadberry* and *James Clayton Green* by Bob and Charlotte Neal; *Sara Crump Humphreys* and *Blanche Crump Thompson* by Floyd Humphreys, Blanche Toms, May Fox and their families; *Sam McCullough* by his wife Irma, and children, Allan McCullough and Carol and Rick Kirby; *H. Linden Wright* by his wife Janet.

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.

MUSA PRAYER MEETING: Join us tonight at 5:25 p.m. to pray for our city, our missionaries, and our ministry partners. We will meet in B102.

GROUPS: Curriculum for our Christian Basics Groups (based on the sermon Scripture text) is available on Sundays at 4:00 p.m. at www.2pcgroups.org. If you would like to be a part of these groups, please contact your CC leader or email groups@2pc.org.

LOAVES AND FISHES: November 7 is Loaves and Fishes Sunday (always the first Sunday of the month). Please bring non-perishable food items and place them in one of the two boats located in the church hallways. Your donation helps feed those in need.

MIDWEEK: Dinner is served on Wednesdays in the Fellowship Hall from 5:15-6:15 p.m. Programs and groups meet from 6:15-7:30 p.m. For more information about our MidWeek classes and children’s activities, visit www.2pc.org/midweek.

GOOD READING DINNER GROUP: Join us November 3 at 5:15 p.m. in C310 for a book review: *Seven Events That Made America America: And Proved That the Founding Fathers Were Right All Along* by Larry Schweikart.

GARDEN OF READING: The Garden of Reading women’s book discussion group will meet on Monday, November 8, from 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. in the Gathering Room (A100) to discuss *A Short Life of Jonathan Edwards* by George Marsden. The evening session will meet on Tuesday, November 9, from 7:00-8:00 p.m. in the Bride’s Room (B100). Join us, even if you haven’t had a chance to read the book.

3M LUNCH: Our next senior adult luncheon, Monday, November 8 at 12 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall, will feature The Steamboat Strummers (back by popular demand)! Please make reservations by calling the church before noon on November 3. Tickets are \$5. If you need a ride, contact Gail Stevens Turner at 454-0034.

HOLIDAY STORY TIME: Children are invited to gather around the Story Tree on Wednesdays as we enjoy special stories about Thanksgiving and Christmas beginning November 3. An extra special Christmas Story celebration will occur on December 15 from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Story time meets on all other Wednesdays from 10:30 to 11:00 a.m.

LECTURE ON MINISTRY TO MUSLIMS: The Compass Bible Study Group invites all to hear Mark Morris and Hussain Andaryas teach “Islam: Forms and Testimony” and “Being an Effective Witness Among Muslim Neighbors” on November 9, at 9:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Morris currently serves on the International Mission Board of the SBC and is founder of Mission Leader, Inc., an organization that equips mission leaders for service around the world. Andaryas, who was raised in Kabul, is a convert from Shia Islam to Christianity. He runs 32 websites, has a radio program, and a television program to provide spiritual support for Afghan Christians around the world.

CITYSERVE EXPLORERS: CityServe Explorers will visit Multi-National Ministries on Wednesday, November 10. We will leave the west parking lot promptly at 1:40 p.m. returning by 3:40. We will help with the children as they hear a Bible story, do a craft, and have snacks at St. John’s Methodist Church in midtown. Multi-National Ministries serves a culturally diverse international community in Memphis through recreational, educational, spiritual, and social programs. Please join us to meet some of our friends from around the world and see what God is doing in our city. For a place on the van, call the church at 454-0034.

ORGAN DEMONSTRATION: Have you ever wondered the history of our pipe organ, how it was built, what makes it work, or how all of those sounds come from all of those pipes? Get all of your questions answered in our first organ demonstration on Sunday, November 14, immediately following the 11:00 a.m. service in the chancel. Second’s organist, Lenora Morrow, will give a 20-minute demonstration following the postlude. Come and learn about the magnificent instrument in our sanctuary. Children and families welcome!

SPECIAL FRIENDS: Second’s Special Friends Ministry is growing and in need of volunteer help at its upcoming Parents’ Night Out (November 19, 6:00-9:00 p.m.). PNO is hosted by volunteers as an outreach to the families of special needs children. Parents in the Memphis community are invited to drop off their special needs children and their siblings at 2PC while they enjoy a much-needed night off! Please email Ginna Rauls at ginnarauls@hotmail.com if you are interested in volunteering or know of a family in Memphis that we can invite to PNO.

CONSERVATORY REGISTRATION: The Second Conservatory of Music is accepting registrations for the spring semester. Contact Terri Theil (507-7887) for more information or visit www.2pc.org/worship/music/conservatory.

JR HIGH: Three Degrees will not meet tonight. Students will return from the Fall Retreat at 2:00 this afternoon. Join us at 6:00 a.m. Tuesday for Tuesday Morning Prayer at the Edwards’ Home, 2240 Tully Farms Cove. Three Degrees Small Groups will meet Wednesday from 6:15-7:30 p.m. Join us for Saturday of Service this Saturday, 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. We’ll be working with the Orange Mound Outreach Center. Meet at the Church. For more information, visit www.2pcyouth.org.

SR. HIGH: True North Small Groups meet this afternoon from 4:30-6:00 p.m. Meet at the church Monday at 4:45 p.m. to carpool to the Refugee Empowerment Program for tutoring. We’ll be back at the church by 6:15 p.m. Tuesday Morning Prayer meets at 6:00 a.m. at the Edwards’ home, 2240 Tully Farms Cove. Bring a friend to True North Wednesday night at 7:30! Hurry and register for the True North Fall Retreat coming up November 12-14! Space is limited. For more information, visit www.2pcyouth.org.

COLLEGE MINISTRY: The college class meets upstairs in the EC building at 9:45 a.m. every Sunday morning. Please join us!

A British Evensong

The Music of Herbert Howells and Edward Bairstow

Sunday, November 7, 2010 at 4 p.m. in the Chapel

The Laudis Domini Vocal Ensemble will sing musical selections from the British Cathedral tradition on Sunday, November 7 at 4 p.m. in the Chapel. Highlighting the works of English composer, Herbert Howells, the performance will include Howell’s *Magnificat* and *Nunc Dimittis* as well as his stunning setting of the Robert Bridges text, *My Eyes for Beauty Pine*.

Familiar anthems by English organist and composer, Edward Bairstow, such as *The King of Love My Shepherd Is*, *I Sat Down and Jesu*, *the Very Thought of Thee*, will also be performed. High tea will follow in the Salmon Room.

October 31, 2010

Reformation Sunday