

DAY OF PRAYER

MARCH 18, 2019

If my people who are called by my name humble themselves, and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land.

II Chronicles 7:14

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Adoration

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All Glory Be to Christ

Should nothing of our efforts stand No legacy survive Unless the Lord does raise the house In vain its builders strive To you who boast tomorrow's gain Tell me what is your life A mist that vanishes at dawn

All glory be to Christ! All glory be to Christ our king! All glory be to Christ! His rule and reign will ever sing All glory be to Christ!

His will be done
His kingdom come
On earth as is above
Who is Himself our daily bread
Praise Him the Lord of love
Let living water satisfy
The thirsty without price
We'll take a cup of kindness yet
All glory be to Christ!

All glory be to Christ!
All glory be to Christ our king!
All glory be to Christ!
His rule and reign will ever sing
All glory be to Christ!

When on that day, the great I am The faithful and the true The Lamb who was for sinners slain Is making all things new!

Behold our God shall live with us And be our steadfast light And we shall ere his people be All glory be to Christ!

All glory be to Christ!
All glory be to Christ our king!
All glory be to Christ!
His rule and reign will ever sing
All glory be to Christ!

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Individual Reflection and Prayer

Slowly read Ephesians 1 and consider **who God is** and **how he has worked our salvation** "to the Praise of His Glorious Grace". Then, **reflect** on reasons we have to praise him for who he is and for how He has worked our salvation.

"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love he predestined us for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ as a plan for the

fullness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will, so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of his glory."

Ephesians 1:1-14

Write out any of your reflections here-

Group Prayers of Adoration

In small groups at your tables, offer up prayers of praise to the God who selected us, saved us and sealed us.

- Praise God our Father, **who chose us** before the foundation of the world.
- Praise God the Son, who accomplished our salvation through his atoning death.
- Praise God the Holy Spirit, who sealed us with His presence and continues to apply the benefits
 of our salvation until we see that day.

Corporate Adoration

"And you shall be my people,and I will be your God." Jeremiah 30:22

"It was not because you were more in number than any other people that the LORD set his love on you and chose you, for you were the fewest of all peoples, but it is because the LORD loves you and is keeping the oath that he swore to your fathers, that the LORD has brought you out with a mighty hand and redeemed you from the house of slavery, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt. Know therefore that the LORD your God is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love him and keep his commandments, to a thousand generations, and repays to their face those who hate him, by destroying them. He will not be slack with one who hates him. He will repay him to his face."

Deuteronomy 7:7-9

"Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways! For who has known the mind of the Lord,or who has been his counselor?" "Or who has given a gift to him that he might be repaid?" For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever.Amen."

Romans 11:33-36

SONG J

Come Thou Fount

Come, Thou Fount of every blessing Tune my heart to sing Thy grace Streams of mercy, never ceasing Call for songs of loudest praise Teach me some melodious sonnet Sung by flaming tongues above Praise the mount, I'm fixed upon it Mount of Thy redeeming love

Here I raise my Ebenezer
Here there by Thy great help I've come
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure
Safely to arrive at home
Jesus sought me when a stranger
Wandering from the fold of God
He, to rescue me from danger
Interposed His precious blood

Oh, that day when freed from sinning I shall see Thy lovely face
Clothed then in the blood washed linen
How I'll sing Thy wondrous grace
Come, my Lord, no longer tarry
Take my ransomed soul away
Send Thine angels now to carry
Me to realms of endless day

Oh, to grace how great a debtor Daily I'm constrained to be Let that goodness like a fetter Bind my wandering heart to Thee Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it Prone to leave the God I love Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it Seal it for Thy courts above

Confession

For although they knew God, they did not honor him as God or give thanks to him, but they became futile in their thinking, and their foolish hearts were darkened. Claiming to be wise, they became fools, and exchanged the glory of the immortal God for images resembling mortal man and birds and animals and creeping things.

Romans 1:21-23

Corporate Prayer of Confession

Holy and Gracious Father,
You have made us for Yourself and have called us by name,
Yet we have forsaken You and served other gods above You.
We have not sought Your face as we should,
nor treasured Your presence in our lives.
We have been unloving to our neighbors,
and self-centered in our pursuits,
We have been selfish with our time,
and reluctant to engage in the Spirit's work.
Have mercy on us, O Lord, and forgive us.
Create in us clean hearts, and renew a right spirit within us.
All this we ask in the name of our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Individual Time of Confession

Allow the Spirit of God to speak to you regarding the following questions derived from 2 Chronicles 7:14. Try not to get too bogged down on any one question and pay attention to where the Spirit may or may not be bringing conviction.

If my people who are called by my name...

... humble themselves

- In what ways have I sought to promote my reputation for my own glory?
- In what ways have I diminished the reputation of others in order to feel better about myself?
- In what ways have I used God or ministry to make a name for myself?
- Has my own agenda and priorities been secondary to the needs of those I am serving?
- Have I sought to take credit for the things God is doing in and around me?
- Do I view my current circumstances as God's good, pleasing, and perfect will for me?
- Are there certain ways I have sought to control the people and circumstances around me?

... and pray and seek my face

- Has my primary aim been to seek and know the Lord while He may be found?
- In what ways have my affections been divided in my pursuit of God?
- In what ways do I operate out of self-sufficiency rather than in dependence upon the Lord?
- Am I quick to trust in my own experiences over being sensitive to the Spirit's leading?
- Have I embraced the great privilege I have to know God personally and intimately?
- Is God enough for me and am I content with Him, and Him alone?
- Does spending time with God seem more like a duty to me than a delight?

... and turn from their wicked ways

- In what ways have I turned away from the Lord to indulge in my sinful flesh?
- Have I viewed my sin as, wicked, treacherous, and deserving of death?
- What have I been unwilling to "cut off" for the sake of knowing and enjoying Christ more fully?
- In what ways have I treasured the Lord's gifts above the Gift-Giver?
- Have I sought to do the work of the Spirit with joy and privilege or with grumbling and complaint?
- In what ways is my outward appearance inconsistent with my inward reality?
- In what ways have I tried to hide from God or others in order to protect my reputation?

Remember three things:

- 1. If the sin is against God, confess it to God, and make things right with God.
- 2. If the sin is against another person, confess it to God, and make things right with the other one.
- 3. If the sin is against a group, confess it to God, and make it right with the group.

Assurance of Pardon

"Come now, let us reason together, says the Lord:
though your sins are like scarlet,
they shall be as white as snow;
though they are red like crimson,
they shall become like wool.

Isaiah 1:18

Responsive Reading

Let us read responsively select verses from 1 Corinthians 6 and Ephesians 2, in order to sear the truths of the Gospel to our hearts and minds.

Or do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived: neither the sexually immoral, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor men who practice homosexuality, nor thieves, nor the greedy, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God. And such were some of you.

But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God.

And you were dead in the trespasses and sins in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind.

But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

SONGS J

My Hope is Built on Nothing Less

My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus' blood and righteousness I dare not trust the sweetest frame But wholly lean on Jesus' name.

On Christ the solid Rock I stand All other ground is sinking sand All other ground is sinking sand

When darkness hides His lovely face I rest on His unchanging grace In every high and stormy gale My anchor holds within the veil

On Christ the solid Rock I stand All other ground is sinking sand All other ground is sinking sand His oath, His covenant, His blood Support me in the whelming flood When all around my soul gives way He then is all my hope and stay

On Christ the solid Rock I stand All other ground is sinking sand All other ground is sinking sand

When He shall come with trumpet sound Oh may I then in Him be found Dressed in His righteousness alone Faultless to stand before the throne

On Christ the solid Rock I stand All other ground is sinking sand All other ground is sinking sand

Thanksgiving

In light of who God is, what Christ has done in reconciling us to God and other believers, and the Holy Spirit's work in and through our lives, let us now enter into a time of Thanksgiving.

Responsive Reading

Psalm 145:1-13

I will exalt you, my God the King; I will praise your name for ever and ever.

Every day I will praise you and extol your name for ever and ever.

Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; his greatness no one can fathom.

One generation commends your works to another they tell of your mighty acts.

They speak of the glorious splendor of your majesty—and I will meditate on your wonderful works.

They tell of the power of your awesome works—and I will proclaim your great deeds.

They celebrate your abundant goodness and joyfully sing of your righteousness.

The Lord is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and rich in love.

The Lord is good to all; he has compassion on all he has made.

All your works praise you, Lord; your faithful people extol you.

They tell of the glory of your kingdom and speak of your might,

so that all people may know of your mighty acts and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures through all generations.

The Lord is trustworthy in all he promises and faithful in all he does.

Individual Reflection and Prayer

Read and reflect on the verses below. Then, list out things in your life for which you are thankful.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, who satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

Psalm 103:2-5

He (Jesus Christ) has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. *Colossians 1:13-14*

So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit. *Ephesians 2:19-22*

But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid. *John 14:26-27*

Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change.

James 1:17

I am thankful for-

Group Prayers of Thanksgiving

Let us now corporately offer up prayers of thanksgiving to God in light of all He has done for us!

SONGS J

Blessed Assurance

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine
O what a foretaste of glory divine
Heir of salvation, purchase of God
Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood

This is my story, this is my song Praising my Savior all the day long This is my story, this is my song Praising my Savior all the day long

Perfect submission, Perfect delight, Visions of rapture now burst on my sight Angels descending, bring form above Echoes of mercy, whispers of love This is my story, this is my song Praising my Savior all the day long This is my story, this is my song Praising my Savior all the day long

Perfect submission, allis at rest, I in my Savior am happy and blest Watching and waiting, looking above Filled with His goodness, lost in His love

This is my story, this is my song Praising my Savior all the day long This is my story, this is my song Praising my Savior all the day long

Supplication

ROTATION ONE: RETELLING THE GOSPEL

Key Passage:

May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us, that your way may be known on earth, your saving power among all nations. Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you! Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth. Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you! The earth has yielded its increase; God, our God, shall bless us. God shall bless us; let all the ends of the earth fear him!

Psalm 67

Prayer Requests: Our congregation would . . .

- 1. Retell the Gospel through WORSHIP
 - a. Our minds renewed
 - b. Our bodies bent
 - c. Our hearts uplifted
- 2. Retell the Gospel through **DISCIPLESHIP**
 - a. We would KNOW our heavenly FATHER Knowing
 - b. We would BE the body of CHRIST Being
 - c. We would DO the mission in the power of the HOLY SPIRIT Doing
- 3. Retell the Gospel through EVANGELISM
 - a. Motivated by the Gospel personally
 - b. Living out the Gospel among our neighbors
 - c. Proclaiming the Gospel to all people

ROTATION TWO: REIMAGINING THE CHURCH

Key Passage:

"Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away." And he who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true." And he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give from the spring of the water of life without payment. The one who conquers will have this heritage, and I will be his God and he will be my son. But as for the cowardly, the faithless, the detestable, as for murderers, the sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars, their portion will be in the lake that burns with fire and sulfur, which is the second death."

Revelation 21:1-8

Prayer Requests: Our congregation would be . . .

- 1. Becoming a beautifully **JOYFUL** church
- 2. Becoming a gloriously **DIVERSE** church
- 3. Becoming a church where broken relationships are **RESTORED**
- 4. Becoming a **SACRIFICIAL** church
- 5. Becoming a **HOSPITABLE** and **MERCIFUL** church
- 6. Becoming a WORSHIPFUL church
- 7. Becoming a church for authentic **FELLOWSHIP**

ROTATION 3: REPAIRING WHAT IS BROKEN

Key Passages:

And the word of the Lord of hosts came, saying, "Thus says the Lord of hosts: I am jealous for Zion with great jealousy, and I am jealous for her with great wrath. Thus says the Lord: I have returned to Zion and will dwell in the midst of Jerusalem, and Jerusalem shall be called the faithful city, and the mountain of the Lord of hosts, the holy mountain. Thus says the Lord of hosts: Old men and old women shall again sit in the streets of Jerusalem, each with staff in hand because of great age. And the streets of the city shall be full of boys and girls playing in its streets. Thus says the Lord of hosts: If it is marvelous in the sight of the remnant of this people in those days, should it also be marvelous in my sight, declares the Lord of hosts? Thus says the Lord of hosts: Behold, I will save my people from the east country and from the west country, and I will bring them to dwell in the midst of Jerusalem. And they shall be my people, and I will be their God, in faithfulness and in righteousness."

Zechariah 8:1-8

And the Lord will guide you continually and satisfy your desire in scorched places and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters do not fail. And your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to dwell in. *Isaiah 58: 11-12*

Prayer Requests: Our congregation would be about the Spirit's work of . . .

- 1. Repairing our Neighborhoods
 - a. Spiritual life and the Church
 - b. Public Safety
 - c. Family Life
 - d. Education
 - e. Health
 - f. Housing and Neighborhood Revitalization
 - g. Economic Development
 - h. Community Involvement and Leadership Development
 - i. Arts and Entertainment
- 2. Rebuilding our City
 - a. Bringing RIGHTEOUSNESS to our city
 - b. Bringing PEACE to our city
 - c. Bringing JOY to our city
- 3. Reaching the World
 - a. Church Planting and Evangelism
 - b. Leadership Training and Development
 - c. Empowering and Serving the Under-Resourced

Timely Prayer Requests

1. The Lord would provide for our annual financial budget, the resources for our ministry to our congregation and for our mission to the city and the world.

General Fund Giving Update		February \$572,487 \$656,885	<u>YTD</u> \$6,304,249 \$7,026,485
July 1, 2018 through January 31, 2019	Variance:	(\$84,398)	(\$722,236)

As the Lord provides, he would guide as we seek to match ministry and mission with resources received.

2. Our newest members would become deeply rooted in the body of Christ here at 2pc.

Palmer and Kathy Albertine Lyman and Sally Aldrich

Shelly Bloor Laura Boone

Austin and Olivia Cantrell Jonathan and Ashley Cullum Will and Samantha Douglas

John and Allie Eick
Calvin and Juana Ellis
Neil and Anne Kirk Harris
Sam and Brittney Haynie
Walker and Beth Hays

David Heppe Jarrod Hoffman

Ekin and Sam Huddleston

Olivia Husbands

Suzanne and Joe Lattimer

Shelby Kate McCord Daija McNeil

Gerald Mpofu Russell Nenon

Paul and Sally Norman

Kelsey Rivers

Paul and Bonnie Roberts

Abbey Robertson Bill Rodgers Wood Rodgers Carolyn Rodgers

David and Brittany Spence

Sarah Terry Jaela Walker Glenn Wegener

3. Our members would experience the Lord's care and comfort during challenging times.

Recently bereaved:

Kathy Wilson on the death of her brother, Clay Wilson, January 6, 2019 in Nashville, TN.

The family of Wendell L. Gibson on his death, March 6, 2019.

Edwin Wallis, III on the death of his father, Edwin Wallis, Jr., March 7, 2019 in Jackson, TN.

Hospitalized as of 3/12/19:

Walter Little - Village of Germantown Rehab Harry Faulk - Memphis Jewish Home Evelyn Echols - Memphis Jewish Home Beverly Anderson - Allen Morgan Rehab Florence Leffler - Allen Morgan Rehab Mary Cape - **No visitors** - Baptist

SONGS J

Be Thou My Vision

Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart; Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art. Thou my best Thought, by day or by night, Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word; I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord; Thou my great Father, I Thy true son; Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise, Thou mine Inheritance, now and always: Thou and Thou only, put first in my heart, High King of Heaven, my Treasure Thou art. Oh, God, be my everything, be my delight Be, Jesus, my glory My soul's satisfied Oh, God, be my everything, be my delight Be, Jesus, my glory My soul's satisfied

High King of Heaven, my victory won, May I reach Heaven's joys, bright Heaven's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.

Oh, God, be my everything, be my delight Be, Jesus, my glory My soul's satisfied Oh, God, be my everything, be my delight Be, Jesus, my glory My soul's satisfied