



ORDER FOR THE
PUBLIC WORSHIP *of* GOD

July 8, 2018
Trinity Season


Second
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

*As you enter the Sanctuary, please prepare your heart for worship
and silence your mobile devices.*

At Second, we place significant emphasis on the preaching of God's Word (II Timothy 4:2). How can we ensure that we profit spiritually from hearing the preached Word?

Before worship, we can prepare by praying for a receptive heart and teachable spirit. During worship, we can examine what we hear from the Scriptures and receive its truth with faith, love, meekness, and readiness of mind. After worship, we can meditate upon the Word in our hearts and bring forth the fruit of it in our lives.

All of the above is impossible apart from the illumination of God's Holy Spirit. No preacher is dynamic, eloquent, and gifted enough to bring about life transformation in his audience. For this reason, we humbly pray for God's Spirit to illumine the reading and preaching of His Word so that lives are transformed.

LIFT UP YOUR VOICE

ORGAN PRELUDE: Variations on "All Creatures of Our God and King" . . . Denis Bédard
Samuel Metzger, organ

WORD ON WORSHIP George Robertson

CHORAL INTROIT: "Sing to the Lord a Song of Praise" Allen Pote

Sing to the Lord a song of praise, a wonderful, marvelous song.
Sing to the Lord with joy in your heart, a wonderful, marvelous song.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, amen.
Sing to the Lord, sing to the Lord, sing to the Lord, a marvelous song.

*The Summer Choir
Calvin Ellis, director*

CALL TO WORSHIP: Based on I Peter 2 Brett Wynne

Come to him, the living Stone—
rejected by humans but chosen by God and precious to him.

**As his holy priesthood,
we gather to offer spiritual sacrifices
acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.**

Come to him as his chosen people,
a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession.

**Let us declare the praises of him
who called us out of darkness into his marvelous light.**

♠HYMN OF PRAISE: "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" ST. ANNE

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "O God, Our Help in Ages Past". It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff at the top and a bass clef staff at the bottom. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written in the treble staff, and the bass line is in the bass staff. The lyrics are printed below the treble staff, aligned with the notes. The lyrics are: 1. O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come, 2. Un - der the shad - ow of your throne your saints have dwelt se - cure; 3. Be - fore the hills in or - der stood, or earth re - ceived her frame, 4. A thou - sand a - ges in your sight are like an eve - ning gone; 5. Time, like an ev - er - roll - ing stream, bears all its sons a - way; 6. O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come:

♠ INVOCATION (*Please lift hands*)

♠ PROFESSION OF FAITH: New City Catechism Q. 48 Betty Eubank (8:15)
Elizabeth Wall (11:00)

What is the church?

**God chooses and preserves for himself
a community elected for eternal life
and united by faith, who love, follow,
learn from, and worship God together.
God sends out this community
to proclaim the gospel and prefigure Christ's kingdom
by the quality of their life together
and their love for one another.**

♠ GLORIA PATRI GREATOR EX

**Glory 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!**

PURIFY YOUR HEART

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**O God, in Your amazing love,
You have broken down every dividing wall
between us and You and between us and each other.
It is Your revealed will that all Your children should be one in Christ.
Forgive us for dismissing Your love,
neglecting Your will, and seeking our own well-being
at the expense of our church family.
Pardon our pride, our lack of faith,
and our lack of understanding and charity,
which are the causes of our divisions.
Deliver us from our narrow-mindedness,
from our bitterness, and from our prejudices.
Save us from considering as normal
that which is an offense to Your love.
Change us by the power of the Holy Spirit,
that we may desire what is good, love what You love,
and do what You command through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

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.*

WORSHIP OF GOD WITH THE GIFTS OF GOD

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "Now Let Us All Praise God and Sing" Gordon Young

*Now let us all praise God and sing our great Redeemer's praise;
That we may all with one accord our joyful voices raise.
Sing alleluia, sing alleluia, sing alleluia, sing alleluia!*

All ye servants of the Lord, praise Him forever,
Sing Jehovah's mighty pow'r, praise Him forever.
Sing of His righteousness, praise Him forever.

✦PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING. Tim Russell

✦GREETINGS

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN (8:15)

CONSECRATE YOUR LIFE

✦PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER *(please stand)*

**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: "O Church Arise" Keith Getty, Stuart Townend



1. O Church, a - rise and put your ar - mor on; hear the
2. Our call to war, to love the cap - tive soul, but to
3. Come, see the cross where love and mer - cy meet, as the
4. So Spi - rit, come, put strength in ev - 'ry stride, give



call of Christ our cap - tain; for now the weak can say that
rage a - gainst the cap - tor; and with the sword that makes the
Son of God is strick - en; then see His foes lie crushed be -
grace for ev - 'ry hur - dle, that we may run with faith to



they are strong in the strength that God has gi - ven. With
wound - ed whole we will fight with faith and val - or. When
neath His feet, for the Con - quer - er has ris - en! And
win the prize of a ser - vant good and faith - ful. As



shield of faith and belt of truth we'll stand a - gainst the
faced with trials on ev - 'ry side, we know the out - come
as the stone is rolled a - way, and Christ e - mer - ges
saints of old still line the way, re - tell - ing tri - umphs



de - vil's lies; an ar - my bold, whose bat - tle -
 is se - cure, and Christ will have the prize for
 from the grave, this vic - t'ry march con - tin - ues
 of His grace, we hear their calls and hun - ger



cry is "Love!" reach - ing out to those in dark - ness.
 which He died - an in - her - it - ance of na - tions.
 till the day ev - 'ry eye and heart shall see Him.
 for the day when, with Christ, we stand in glo - ry.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON..... Acts 15:36-16:5
 (page 924 in the 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.** (Isaiah 40:6b, 8)

SERMON *Pressing Through Conflict for the Kingdom* George Robertson

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

♦HYMN OF COMMITMENT: No. 353 "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord"ST. THOMAS
 stanzas 1-4

♦BENEDICTION (please raise hands)

♦CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

ORGAN POSTLUDE: Toccata on "Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart" Albert Travis

♦Indicates congregation standing CCLI License #252778

Getting Connected at Second

A pastor will be available after the service to pray for you in the Gathering Room, located on the left as you exit the southwest door of the Sanctuary. To find out more about who we are and how you can become part of our church community, or for help with specific concerns, you may contact a member of our pastoral team listed below by calling (901) 454-0034 or emailing firstname.lastname@2pc.org.

David Bowen, Pastor to Middle Adults
Dan Burns, Pastor of World Missions
Todd Erickson, Pastoral Executive
Artez Henderson, Pastoral Resident
Barton Kimbro, Pastor to Young Adults
Jon McGuirt, Pastoral Resident
Gerry Peak, Pastor to Senior Adults

Brett Powell, Pastoral Resident
Josh Preston, Pastoral Resident
George Robertson, Senior Pastor
Tim Russell, Pastor to Middle Adults
Mike Stokke, Pastor to Middle Adults
Brandon Terry, Pastor to Young Adults
Brett Wynne, Pastor to Young Adults

I. Speaking (*Acts 15:36*)

II. Visiting (*Acts 15:39-41; 16:4, 5*)

III. Accommodating (*Acts 16:1-3*)

IV. Reconciling