

## COMMUNITY Reformation Service

ORDER for the PUBLIC WORSHIP of GOD

October 27, 2019 6:00 p.m.

## Order for the Public Worship of God

ORGAN AND BRASS PRELUDE: "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" . . Craig Phillips

CHORAL INTROIT: "Let Everything That Hath Breath"..... Jeffrey Ames

Sing unto the Lord a new song.

Sing unto the Lord all the earth.

Declare His glory among the nations.

Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord!

Magnify the Lord with me and exalt His name together.

Hallelujah, bless His name for He's worthy to be praised.

Clap your hands all ye people.

Shout with a voice of triumph;

For the mighty Lord is great and greatly to be praised!

Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord!

Come on and praise the Lord; let's all praise His name.

Praise Him with the timbrel, praise Him with the dance.

Stand upon your feet and just lift up holy hands.

Sing "Hallelujah," praise His holy name.

For the Lord is worthy to be praised!

Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord!

 
 CALL TO WORSHIP
 Rev. Cole Huffman
 First Evangelical Church

The Lord be with you!

And also with you.

God is our refuge and strength,

A very present help in trouble.

Be still and know that I am God.

I will be exalted among the nations.

The Lord of hosts is with us;

the God of Jacob is our fortress.

 HYMN No. 92: "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"................. EIN' FESTE BURG

INVOCATION AND WORDS OF GREETING . . . . . . . . . Dr. George Robertson Second Presbyterian Church

# Sola Scriptura The Scriptures Alone

GENEVA CONFESSION (1536/37), Section 1 . . . . . . . . . Rev. Ashley Dusenbery Grace Community Church

First we declare that for the rule of faith and religion, we wish to follow the Scriptures alone, without mixing with it any other thing which might be fabricated by the opinion of men apart from the Word of God; and we do not pretend to receive any other doctrine for our spiritual government than that which is taught us by the same Word, without addition or reduction, according to the command of our Lord.

"You have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God; for 'All flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of grass. The grass withers, and the flower falls, but the word of the Lord remains forever." I Peter 1:23-25 As the word trains us in righteousness, let us make confession to the Lord:

Almighty, eternal God and Father, we confess and acknowledge unto You that we were conceived in unrighteousness and are full of sin and transgression in all our life. We do not fully believe Your Word nor follow Your holy commandments. Remember Your goodness, we beseech You, and for Your Name's sake be gracious unto us, and forgive us our iniquity which, alas, is great. Amen.

"For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, being justified as a gift by his grace through the redemption which is in Christ Jesus." *Romans 3:23–24* Let everyone truly acknowledge this in his heart, believe in Christ, and receive the forgiveness of sins.

**†**CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: "Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!" . . . HYFRYDOL

Jesus! What a Friend for sinners! Jesus! Lover of my soul; Friends may fail me, foes assail me, He, my Savior, makes me whole. Hallelujah! What a Savior! Hallelujah! What a Friend! Saving, helping, keeping, loving, He is with me to the end.

### Sola Gratia

Grace Alone

True faith is not only a certain knowledge, whereby I hold for truth all that God has revealed to us in His word, but also an assured confidence, which the Holy Spirit works by the gospel in my heart; that not only to others, but to me also, remission of sin, everlasting righteousness and salvation, are freely given by God, merely of grace, only for the sake of Christ's merits.

"Nevertheless knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the Law but through faith in Christ Jesus, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, that we may be justified by faith in Christ, and not by the works of the law; since by the works of the Law shall no flesh be justified." Galatians 2:16

 † HYMN: "Glory to God Alone"
 AUSTRIAN HYMN

Only Scripture leads and binds us, not traditions, creeds, or man, Tells of wrath yet loving-kindness joined in God's redemption plan. Knowledge, wisdom without measure, comfort and delights unknown, Perfect, all-surpassing treasure, found in this, God's Word alone.

Only grace can save the sinner, not the righteousness of man. All our efforts only hinder from the favor we demand. Free and sovereign, in defiance of the wrath we should have known, Not in merit, nor through penance, we are saved by grace alone.

Only faith in God's provision of a perfect substitute Can repair the grave condition of a sinner destitute. Christ has come to bear our burdens, for transgressions to atone, And to make us clean and righteous by the gift of faith alone. Only Christ has paid our ransom, He alone can mediate, God and man in perfect union, holy blood to expiate. Suffered, died, in triumph risen, interceding for his own, At his word we are forgiven, so we look to Christ alone.

Only glory to the Father, not to creatures he has made; Honor, blessing, strength, and power fully in the Son displayed. By the Spirit's work we see Him, seated on his mighty throne. This our hope and firm foundation, glory be to God alone.

## Solus Christus Christ Alone

WESTMINSTER CONFESSION OF FAITH (1646), VIII.1 London Baptist Confession

It pleased God, in His eternal purpose, to choose and ordain the Lord Jesus, His only begotten Son, to be the Mediator between God and man, the Prophet, Priest, and King, the Head and Savior of His Church, the Heir of all things, and Judge of the world: unto whom He did from all eternity give a people, to be His seed, and to be by Him in time redeemed, called, justified, sanctified, and glorified.

"For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all..., and you are in Christ Jesus, who became to us wisdom from God, righteousness and sanctification and redemption, so that, as it is written,

Worthy the Lamb!

Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim, and publish abroad His wonderful name; The name all victorious of Jesus extol; His kingdom is glorious and rules over all.

Salvation to God, who sits on the throne! Let all cry aloud, and honor the Son. The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim, fall down on their faces and worship the Lamb.

God rules in the height, Almighty to save; though hid from our sight, His presence we have, The great congregation His triumph shall sing, ascribing salvation to Jesus our King.

Then let us adore and give Him His right, all glory and pow'r, all wisdom and might; All honor and blessing with angels above, and thanks never ceasing and infinite love.

## Sola Fide

Faith Alone

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER . . Rev. Jordan Thomas

Grace Church

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.

SERMON: "Sola Fide" Romans 4:13-25 . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Rev. Jason Cook

Fellowship Memphis

### Soli Deo Gloria

#### Glory to God Alone

HYMN: "Is He Worthy?"..... Shive, Peterson Congregation remains seated and sings words printed in bold. Do you feel the world is broken? We do. Do you feel the shadows deepen? We do. But do you know that all the dark won't stop the light from getting through? We do. Do you wish that you could see it all made new? We do. Is all creation groaning? It is. Is a new creation coming? It is. Is the glory of the Lord to be the light within our midst? It is. Is it good that we remind ourselves of this? It is. Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole? Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll? The Lion of Judah, who conquered the grave: He is David's Root and the Lamb who died to ransom the slave. Is He worthy? Is He worthy of all blessing and honor and glory? Is He worthy of this? He is. Does the Father truly love us? He does. Does the Spirit move among us? He does. And does Jesus, our Messiah, hold forever those He loves? He does. Does our God intend to dwell again with us? He does. ♦ Congregation stands and sings: Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole? Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll? The Lion of Judah, who conquered the grave: He is David's Root and the Lamb who died to ransom the slave. From ev'ry people and tribe, every nation and tongue, He has made us a kingdom and priests to God to reign with the Son. Is He worthy? Is He worthy of all blessing and honor and glory? Is He worthy? Is He worthy? Is He worthy of this? He is. He is. He is. He is worthy! He is worthy of all blessing and honor and glory! He is worthy of this. He is. South Woods Baptist Church We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds; God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God; begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who, for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried: and the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life; who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets. And we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

CHORAL ANTHEM: "Thine Be the Glory" . . . . . . . arr. J. Marty Cope

Thine be the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son; Endless is the vict'ry Thou o'er death hast won; Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away. Kept the folded graveclothes, where Thy body lay.

Thine be the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son; Endless is the vict'ry Thou o'er death hast won.

Lo! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb; Lovingly He greets us, scatters fear and gloom; Let His church with gladness, hymns of triumph sing, For her Lord now liveth, death hath lost its sting,

♦ Congregation stands and sings:

No more we doubt Thee, glorious Prince of life; Life is naught without Thee: aid us in our strife; Make us more than conqu'rors, through Thy deathless love; Bring us safe through Jordan to Thy home above. Thine be the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son; Endless is the vict'ry Thou o'er death hast won.

Thine be the glory! Amen!

"The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace."

**†**BENEDICTION RESPONSE: "Let Everything That Hath Breath"..... Jeffrey Ames

Let's praise the Lord. Let everything that hath breath, praise the Lord. You ought to praise Him!

ORGAN POSTLUDE: "Hymn to Joy" . . . . . . . Wayne L. Wold; arr. Arron Powell

♦ Indicates congregation standing

#### Reception

Following the service, please join us for refreshments in the B building lobby, outside the Sanctuary west side middle doors.

#### Participating Churches

Fellowship Memphis, Memphis; First Evangelical Church, Memphis; Grace Church, Memphis; Grace Community Church, Cordova; Graceview Presbyterian Church, Southaven; Independent Presbyterian Church, Memphis; Providence Reformed Presbyterian Church, Bartlett; Richland Associate Reformed Presbyterian, Millington; Riveroaks Reformed Presbyterian Church, Germantown; Second Presbyterian Church, Memphis; South Woods Baptist Church, Memphis; Trinity Reformed Baptist Church, Bartlett; Trinity Reformed Church, Rossville

#### Musicians

Dawayne Anderson, Ken Boer, James Brown, Jim Carnes, Eddie Clark, Nathan DuVall, Calvin Ellis, Philip Himebook, Harrison Howle, Ephie Johnson, Ron Man, Samuel Metzger, Will Palladino, Molly Pennington, David Pruitt, Alex Schuetrumpf, David Spencer, Jennifer Velasquez, Mark Woodring, Megan Woodring



The Latin phrase *Post Tenebras Lux* is translated, "After Darkness, Light." This was adopted as a motto for the Reformation in Geneva, Switzerland, and was eventually used by Protestants as an expression of hope that the light of the Gospel will break through the darkness that sometimes envelopes the church. The symbol of the burning bush refers to Moses' encounter in Exodus 3:2. This was adopted by the French Huguenots at the time of the Reformation, reminding us that the light of the Gospel will not be extinguished. The great Scottish preacher Samuel Rutherford once said, "The bush has been burning these five thousand years, and no man yet saw the ashes of that fire."