Order for the Public Worship of God

The Twentieth Day of February, Two Thousand and Eleven Season of Epiphany

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.

"Improvisations on 'O Breath of Life, Come Sweeping Through Us'".....L. Morrow

> *Revive us Lord, is zeal abating while harvest fields are vast and white?* Revive us Lord, the world is waiting. Equip your church to spread the light. Bessie Head, 1914

> > Lenora Morrow, Organist

A WORD ON WORSHIP *Inviting the Whole World to Sing* Sanders L. Willson CHORAL INTROIT: "God Is Seen" Alice Parker

Through all the world below God is seen all around, Search hills and valleys through, there He's found. The growing of the corn, the lily and the thorn, The pleasant and forlorn, all declare, God is there, In meadows dressed in green, God is seen.

See springing waters rise, fountains flow, rivers run, The mist that veils the sky hides the sun. Then down the rain doth pour, the ocean doth roar And beat upon the shore, and all praise, in their ways, The God Who ne'er declines His designs.

The sun with all his rays speaks of God as he flies The comet in her blaze 'God,' she cries; The shining of the stars, the moon, when she appears, His awful name declares; see them fly through the sky, And join the solemn sound all around, all around.

> Laudis Domini Ensemble Gabriel C. Statom, Director of Music

CALL TO WORSHIP Timothy L. Russell ♦READING FROM THE PSALMS: Psalm 147..... Bill C. Weber (8:15) Gregory T. Wilkinson (11:00)

Praise the Lord! For it is good to sing praises to our God; for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is fitting.

The Lord builds up Jerusalem; he gathers the outcasts of Israel.

He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.

> He determines the number of the stars; he gives to all of them their names.

Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; his understanding is beyond measure.

The Lord lifts up the humble; he casts the wicked to the ground.

Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; make melody to our God on the lyre!

> He covers the heavens with clouds; he prepares rain for the earth; he makes grass grow on the hills.

He gives to the beasts their food, and to the young ravens that cry.

His delight is not in the strength of the horse, nor his pleasure in the legs of a man, but the Lord takes pleasure in those who fear him, in those who hope in his steadfast love.

Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem! Praise your God, O Zion!

For he strengthens the bars of your gates; he blesses your children within you.

He makes peace in your borders; he fills you with the finest of the wheat.

He sends out his command to the earth; his word runs swiftly.

He gives snow like wool; he scatters hoarfrost like ashes.

He hurls down his crystals of ice like crumbs; who can stand before his cold?

He sends out his word, and melts them; he makes his wind blow and the waters flow.

He declares his word to Jacob, his statutes and rules to Israel.

He has not dealt thus with any other nation; they do not know his rules.

Praise the Lord!

♦GLORIA PATRI Greatorex

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.

†PRAYER OF ADORATION

SACRAMENT OF CHRISTIAN BAPTISM

McSwain Revere Alexander, born August 7, 2010, son of Melanie and John Alexander Miles Court Jackson, born September 28, 2010, son of Lindley and Chad Jackson Hudson McNair Rhodes, born September 29, 2010, son of Dudley and Shannon Rhodes

William Loch Brown, born July 19, 2010, son of Lynn and Cory Brown

PARENTAL VOWS

Do you acknowledge your child's need of the cleansing blood of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit?

Do you claim God's covenant promises on his behalf, and do you look to the Lord Jesus Christ for his salvation, as you do for your own?

Do you unreservedly dedicate your child to God, and promise in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before him a godly example, that you will pray with and for him, that you will teach him the sacred Scriptures, and that you will strive by all the means that God provides you, to bring him up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?

CONGREGATIONAL VOW

Do you undertake the responsibility to assist these parents in the Christian nurture of their child?

SONG OF ENCOURAGEMENT: "Jesus Loves You" Jesus Loves Me

Jesus loves you, this we know, for the Bible tells us so; Little ones to Him belong, you are weak but He is strong. Yes, Jesus loves you! Yes, Jesus loves you! Yes, Jesus loves you! The Bible tells us so.

READING FROM THE PROPHETS Isaiah 42:1-4 (page 602 in pew Bible)

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord Jesus Christ, Who will not break the bruised reed nor quench the burning wick and Who will one day faithfully bring forth justice to all the earth, we confess our many failures to promote justice and peace. Please forgive every thought, every word, every deed that has harmed our neighbor and displeased You. We are truly sorry and humbly repent of our sin. Inspire us anew to imitate Your love for mercy that we may lead all the nations to worship You, for the everlasting glory of Your matchless Name. Amen.

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;

and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead;

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

*DOXOLOGY. OLD HUNDREDTH

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.

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS TO GOD Ronald G. Sadlow

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "The Voice of God" Michael McCabe

The voice of God goes out to all the world: His glory speaks across the universe. The Great King's herald cries from star to star: With power, with justice, He will walk His way. The Lord has said: "Receive my messenger, My promise to the world, my pledge made flesh, A lamp to every nation, light from light." With power, with justice, He will walk His way. The broken reed He will not trample down, Nor set His heel upon flame. He binds the wounds, and health in hands: With power, with justice, He will walk His way.

He comes to show the face of justice To the poor with power, with justice, He will walk His way. His touch will bless the eyes that darkness held. The lame shall run, the halting tongues shall sing, And prisoners laugh in light and liberty: With power, with justice, He will walk His way.

Anointed with the Spirit and with power,

Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature, Son of God and Son of Man! Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor, Thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

Beautiful Savior! Lord of the nations! Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be Thine.

†PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

†GREETINGS

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN (8:15)

A WORD ON WORLD MISSIONS......Thomas H. Shipmon

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.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

(page 817 in pew Bible)

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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 The Iesus Mission: Sanders L. Willson

Serving Our World

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

†BENEDICTION

†CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

♦*Indicates congregation standing*

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.

SERMON NOTES	February 20, 2011

Curriculum for our Christian Basics study groups (based on the sermon Scripture text) is available 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.

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.

Sunday Night Worship - 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Tonight: Luke 6:43-45

We gather each Sunday evening for an informal worship service — a time of prayer, praise, and teaching from God's Word. Our morning and evening services frame our weekly Lord's Day worship. We invite you to worship with us.

World Missions Conference

There are approximately two and a half billion people who still have not heard the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Most of these unreached people are illiterate. How can they believe unless they hear? How can they hear unless someone goes to tell them? Our World Missions Conference is next weekend, February 24-27. John Fain, Jane Overstreet, and Ronnie Stevens will share with us their vision for spreading the Gospel until the whole world hears. Tickets are available and nursery reservations may be made online, at The Bookmark Bookstore, and in the hallway today. Visit www.2pc.org/wmc for a full conference schedule.

Officer Nomination Requests

The Nominations Committee is requesting names from the congregation for persons they recommend to serve as elders or deacons for the term beginning January 2012. Please complete the appropriate card found in the pew racks with your suggestion and place it in the offering plate, or mail it to the Church Office. The deadline for receiving recommendations is February 27, 2011.

Weekly Focus on Missions

World Missions: Years ago when Davy's family, medical missionaries in Korea, spent a furlough year in Memphis, Second was the family's church home. Thirty-one years later in 2006, Davy, his wife, Pey, and their son moved to East Asia, and Second Presbyterian was once again a part of their lives and ministry. Their mission is to work toward planting new churches. This involves sharing the Gospel and helping new Christians connect with the church. Related to this is the second priority of training, mentoring, and developing existing leadership and cultivating new leadership. Their children are Cooper (6) and Sophie (2). Please pray for God's leading in regard to a decision about whether to connect three house churches in the city and that God would continue to build His church in East Asia, bringing light in the midst of a dark place.

Mission Memphis: Families Matter, an outreach program of Christ Community Health Services that works to reverse the epidemic of divorce, fatherlessness, and teen pregnancy in Shelby County, asks that we pray for God to give them knowledge about how to navigate the current political climate surrounding their ministry. Pray for wisdom as they work with other ministries and for strength as they encourage churches to become partners of Families Matter. Pray also for the health and strength of each staff member.

Coming Soon

Mission Memphis Prayer Meeting: Join us to pray for our city and our Mission Memphis and National Outreach missionaries and ministry partners Sunday, February 27, from 5:25 to 5:55 p.m., in B102.

Children's Choirs Concert: We invite you to a delightful afternoon of song, presented by the children's choirs and youth choir on March 6, at 4 p.m. in the Sanctuary. A reception will follow in C100.

Ash Wednesday: We'll meet at noon in the Chapel on March 9 for a reflective commuion worship service to begin the Lenten season.

Christian Education

Groups: Group discussion questions based on the sermon Scripture text and supplementary resources are available at www.2pcgroups.org. If you are interested in becoming a part of a group, email groups@2pc.org.

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. Note: MidWeek will not meet on March 16, due to Spring Break.

Bible Studies: Weekly Bible Studies are available for women and men. Visit www.2pc.org/women and www.2pc.org/amen (respectively) for more information.

Women in Ministry

WOC March Circle Meetings: Abigail: Church C310, 2nd Tues., 6:45 pm.; Anna: 698 Magnolia Manor Cir, 1st Tues., 10:15 a.m.; Deborah: Church C310, 1st Tues., 1:00 p.m.; Esther: 6514 Kirby Woods Dr, 1st Tues., 11:30 p.m.; Hannah: 2915 Tishomingo Ln, 2nd Thurs., 10:00 a.m.; Lydia: Church B102/Mission Closet, 2nd Tues., 11:15 a.m.; Martha/Mary: Church B102, 1st Tues., 12:30 p.m.; Naomi: Church B101, 1st Tues., 11:30 a.m.; NCC: Robinhood Park Apts., Thursdays, 12:00-1:30 p.m.; Priscilla: Church B100, 1st Tues., 10:30 a.m.; Rachel: Church C310, 1st Tues., 1:00 p.m.; Rahab: Church B102, 1st Tues, 11:30a.m.; Rebekah: 343 Inkberry Ln, 1st Tues., 10:30 a.m.; Ruth: 4363 Amber Ln, 1st Tues., 1:00 p.m.; Urban Ministries: St. John's Methodist Church, 1st Wed., 2:00 p.m.

Women's Retreat: Ladies, plan to join us April 8-10 at Victory Ranch to relax, laugh, and be inspired by the Holy Spirit. Don't miss this opportunity for fellowship and spiritual growth with our guest speaker Leigh McLeroy! To register online, visit www.2pc.org/womensretreat.

The Growing Place Library

Story Time: Gather around the Story Tree in the Library on Wednesdays from 10:30-11:00 a.m. to hear exciting children's stories with a Christian message. Contact The Growing Place Library at 454-0034 or library@2pc.org for more information.

Calling All Artists! The inside of The Growing Place story tree is ready for renovating! Help make Trooper's tree a fun and happy place! Submit your creative proposal by February 28. Stop by the Library for details.

Good Reading Dinner Group: Please join us in C310 to hear book reviews from 5:15-6:15 p.m. on the following Wednesdays: March 2 and 23, and April 6. On March 2, Tracie Becker will review *Treasured* by Leigh McLeroy.

Recreation

Baseball Registration: Baseball registration for ages JK-6th grade is open through February 28. For more information, visit www.2pcsports.org, call 454-0034, or email kthurmond@2pc.org.

Student Ministries

Jr. High: Three Degrees meets tonight at 7:15. Tuesday Morning Prayer meets at 6:00 at the Edwards' home, 2240 Tully Farms Cove. Three Degrees Small Groups meet Wednesday evening from 6:15-7:30 p.m. Be sure to join us for the Youth World Missions Conference Friday through Sunday. Andy Lewis is our speaker, and we'll work on our individual missions teams, as well! For more information, visit www.2pcyouth.org.

Sr. High: True North Small Groups meet this afternoon from 4:30-6:00 p.m. Join us Monday from 4:45-6:15 p.m. to help with tutoring at the Refugee Empowerment Program. We'll meet at the church. Tuesday Morning Prayer meets at 6:00 at the Edwards' home, 2240 Tully Farms Cove. Bring your friends to True North Wednesday evening at 7:30! Remember to join us for the Youth World Missions Conference Friday through Sunday. Andy Lewis is our speaker, and we'll work on our individual missions teams, as well! For more information, visit www.2pcyouth.org.

Youth Choir: All seventh through twelfth graders are invited to be a part of the Youth Choir, which is comprised of both experienced and non-experienced singers. It meets in the choir room on Wednesdays at 5:00 p.m. for a group dinner, followed by a 45 minute rehearsal from 5:30-6:15.

College: The College Class meets every Sunday, upstairs in the EC Building at 9:45 a.m. For more information about our College Ministry, email Kathy at kwilson@2pc.org.

Caring/Support Ministries

Sympathy to:

Linda Carter on the death of her mother, *Suzanne "Susie" McCann*, February 12, 2011 in Vero Beach, FL.

Bisha Harrington on the death of her father, *Ivan Preston Sisk*, *Jr.*, February 14, 2011.

In the Hospital (as of 2/16):

Walter Jarratt, Baptist; Allan Davis, Baptist; Mary Ohman, Methodist Germantown; Tom Person, St. Francis

February Flowers

The rosebuds in the Chancel of the Sanctuary today are placed in honor of the births of: Adele Claire Coplin, born January 5, 2011, daughter of Lindsey and Luke Coplin, and Taylor Edward Stockton, born February 8, 2011, son of Amanda and Lance Stockton.

The flowers in the Sanctuary for the month of February are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of: Dee Bonner by Mark and Debbie Perkins; Laquita Joy Follis by Elmer Follis and her family; John Overton by his wife Mary Elizabeth and his daughters, Virginia McLean and Lisa Snowden; Deborah Hamlett Parker by Dr. and Mrs. James M. Hamlett, III and children; Vance Maynard Thompson, Jr. by his wife Barbara and his children, Vance Thompson, Jan Thompson, Greer Llewellyn, and his grandchildren and great grandchildren; Dr. Hubert Turley by his wife Aggie and family; *David G.* Williams, Sr., Anne and Ernest B. Williams, *Ir., and Ernest B. Williams, III* by Billie Anne Williams and family.