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The Second Day of October, Two Thousand and Eleven 8:15 and 11:00 a.m. · The Sanctuary

SEASON of TRINITY

ENTERING HIS PRESENCE WITH REVERENCE

CALL TO CONFESSION: Micah 6:6-8..... Michael G. Stokke

"With what shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old?

"Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil?

Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?"

He has told you, O man, what is good;

and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of all justice, Lord of all kindness,
Who has called us to love You
by imitating Your love for the lost, the poor, and the oppressed,
we have failed to give You what You have commanded:
we have served mostly ourselves
and have neglected the needs of those around us.
Please forgive us,
and grant us true repentance
that we may walk humbly with You
and display the glory of Your grace
for the honor and praise of Jesus Christ,
Who came to seek and to save the lost. Amen.

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

SONG OF GRATITUDE: "I Love Him" Stephen C. Foster

Gone from my heart the world and all its charm; Gone are my sins and all that would alarm; Gone evermore, and by His grace I know The precious blood of Jesus cleanses white as snow. I love Him, I love Him, because He first loved me.

> Ephie Ballard Johnson, soloist Executive Director, Neighborhood Christian Centers

SINGING HIS PRAISE WITH REJOICING

DECLARATION OF HIS GLORY

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: No. 296 "All Hail the Power of Iesus' Name!".. CORONATION Latecomers will be seated at this time.

PRAYER OF ADORATION

Team Pastor, Downtown Presbyterian Church, 2PC Church Plant

Carol A. Jackson (11:00)

Program Director, Families Matter

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)

♦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!

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "Total Praise"..... Richard Smallwood/arr. Carol Cymballa based on Psalm 121

Lord, I will lift my eyes to the hills, Knowing my help is coming from You.

Your peace You give me in time of storm.

You are the source of my strength,

You are the strength of my life.

I lift my hands in total praise to You. Amen.

♦CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE Richard Smallwood/arr. Carol Cymballa

You are the source of my strength, You are the strength of my life. I lift my hands in total praise to You. Amen.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

†GREETINGS

HEARING HIS WORD WITH REPENTANCE AND FAITH

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN (8:15) Matthew B. Gandy WELCOME TO OUR MINISTRY PARTNERS Edward J. Foster Mission Memphis Director

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION FOR OUR CITY

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.

SERMON Because He First Loved Us

Sanders L. Willson

Text: Deuteronomy 10:19

"Love the sojourner, therefore, for you were sojourners in the land of Egypt."

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

†HYMN OF MISSION LOBE DEN HERREN

Chosen and sent by the Father before earth's creation, Christ came from heaven in mercy to bring us salvation. Now He sends you, God's mighty plan to pursue. Go in the strength of His Spirit!

He conquered death and the grave, and our foe is defeated. Now to earth's end must the story of hope be repeated. So He sends you — daily His conquest renew.

Live in the strength of His Spirit!

He will be in you, before and behind and beside you. All that you need He has pledged by His blood to provide you. Thus He sends you — prove that His promise is true. Strong in the strength of His Spirit!

Savior and Lord of our lives, for Your call we adore You. All that we are we would offer in worship before You. Ready to go, ready Your fullness to know, Ready to serve by Your Spirit.

†BENEDICTION

†CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

ORGAN POSTLUDE: "We All Are One in Mission" arr. Mark Sedio

♦ Indicates congregation standing

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We welcome The Neighborhood Christian School choir and other singers from our ministry partners who are joining our Chancel Choir this morning under the direction of Gabriel C. Statom.

Instrumentalists: Lenora Morrow, organ; Paul Turnbow and Long Long Kang, violin; Beth Luscombe, viola; Milena Albrecht, cello; Dan Phillips, horn; Fred Flinn, clarinet

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.