## ENTERING HIS PRESENCE WITH REVERENCE

#### ORCHESTRAL PRELUDE:

"Brandenburg Concerto No. 4 in G Major, Allegro and Andante" . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . J.S. Bach

Chamber Orchestra

As you enter the Sanctuary, please assume a quiet and respectful attitude of worship.

Please silence your mobile devices.

CALL TO CONFESSION: Psalm 107:1, 2 ...... Michael G. Stokke

Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,

for his steadfast love endures forever!

Let the redeemed of the Lord say so,

whom he has redeemed from trouble.

#### CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God,

Whom it is good to thank for all Your tender mercies to us, we confess that we have been an ungrateful people. Please forgive our foolish arrogance. We are truly sorry, and we earnestly repent. Please restore us to a truly thankful spirit that we may rightly praise You and serve You, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

# SINGING HIS PRAISE WITH REJOICING

CHORAL PRAISE: "All Things Bright and Beautiful"..... arr. Mack Wilberg

All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small, All things wise and wonderful: the Lord God made them all.

Each little flow'r that opens, each little bird that sings, He made their glowing colors, He made their tiny wings.

The purple headed mountain, the river running by, The sunset and the morning that brightens up the sky.

The cold wind in the winter, the pleasant summer sun, The ripe fruits in the garden: He made them every one.

He gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell How great is God Almighty, Who has made all things well.

> Combined Choirs Gabriel C. Statom, Director of Music

### CALL TO WORSHIP

**†**HYMN OF PRAISE: No. 97 "We Praise You, O God, Our Redeemer, Creator" . . . KREMSER Latecomers will be seated at this time.

### **†PRAYER OF ADORATION**

#### SACRAMENT OF CHRISTIAN BAPTISM

8:15

Charlotte Elizabeth Taylor, born August 9, 2011, daughter of Robin and Patrick Taylor Eden Lee Grimm, born July 22, 2011, daughter of Jessica and Warren Grimm Taylor Edward Stockton, born February 8, 2011, son of Amanda and Lance Stockton Asa Grace Wells, born May 29, 2011, daughter of Liz and Brandon Wells

11:00

Henry Thomas Tuck, born July 1, 2011, son of Suzanne and Greyson Tuck Logan Edward Spratlin, born April 27, 2011, son of Kelly and Kevin Spratlin David Holland Knight, born September 20, 2011, son of Jennifer and Chip Knight William Radford Pigg, born October, 19, 2011, son of Mims and Sean Pigg

#### 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?

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.

SCRIPTURE READING: Daniel 11:2-45. . . . . . . . . . Albert L. Throckmorton (8:15) (page 748 in pew Bible) Brandon G. Morrison (11:00)

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)

\*HYMN OF THANKSGIVING: No. 98 "Now Thank We All Our God"...NUN DANKET

A special offering will be taken today for World Relief, Calvary Rescue Mission, and Memphis Union Mission. If you wish to participate, please mark your checks "for Thanksgiving Offering" or use the special Thanksgiving Offering envelopes in the pew racks.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "Thou Gracious God, Whose Mercy Lends" . . . . arr. Willberg

Thou gracious God, Whose mercy lends The light of home, the smile of friends, Our gathered flock Thine arms enfold, As in the peaceful days of old.

Wilt Thou not hear us while we raise, In sweet accord of solemn praise, The voices that have mingled long In joyous flow of mirth and song?

For all the blessings life has brought, For all the sorrowing hours have taught, For all we mourn, for all we keep, The hands we clasp, the loved that sleep.

The noon-tide sunshine of the past, These brief, bright moments fading fast, The stars that gild our dark'ning years, The twilight ray from holier spheres.

We thank Thee Father; let Thy grace Our loving circle still embrace, Thy mercy shed its heav'nly store, Thy peace be with us evermore. Amen. ♦CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE ...... LANCASHIRE

To God the gracious Father, Who made us "very good," To Christ, Who, when we wandered, restored us with His blood, And to the Holy Spirit, Who doth upon us pour His blessed dew and sunshine, be praise forevermore.

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION** 

**†**GREETINGS

## HEARING HIS WORD WITH REPENTANCE AND FAITH

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.

Thy Kingdom come.

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

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 The People Who Know Their God

♦HYMN OF GOD'S FAITHFULNESS: No. 32 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"...FAITHFULNESS

**†**BENEDICTION

**†CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN** 

ORGAN POSTLUDE: "Now Thank We All Our God".....arr. Egil Hovland

♦Indicates congregation standing

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Sanders L. Willson

This morning, our choir consists of our Music Makers and Spirit and Song Children's Choirs, directed by Terri Theil; our Youth Choir, directed by Ginger Statom, and our Chancel Choir, directed by Gabriel C. Statom.

Instrumentalists: Rebecca Oliverio, Amy Mantooth, and Cindy Brown, violin; Betty Eubank, viola; Sara Chiego, bass; Griffin Brown and Chris Langston, cello; Dee Walker and Jeanne Simmons, flute; Shelly Sublett, oboe; Dan Phillips, French horn; Melodie Moore, harp; Lenora Morrow, organ; Chris Burgess, percussion

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.

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

We gather each Sunday evening for an informal service 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.

SERMON NOTES	November 20, 2011



Please join us for worship on November 24, at 10 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Nursery will be provided for ages 4 and under.

#### 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.

# Weekly Focus on Missions

World Missions: John and Carlene are in a time of transition as they prayerfully consider the next phase in their service. Having grown up in a predominately Muslim country, John has a passion to see many come to Christ. For many years he organized, sent and ministered to mission teams on the field. Now John and Carlene feel that the Lord is calling them to work in a key country in South Asia. In order to enter this country, John would like to work in an area of environmental technology. This type of job would be a tangible source of blessing to the indigenous people and would build bridges for John and Carlene to share the gospel. Pray for a clear sense of God's leading and provision for the work to which the Lord is calling them.

Mission Memphis: Memphis Urban Young Life asks us to join them in praising God for approximately 75 kids who are attending "club" each week and responding to the Gospel! They also ask that we pray for the following: new ministry opportunities, more leaders and volunteers, their annual fundraiser banquet, kids to sign up for Winter Camp, and health and wellness for MUYL's staff.

# This Week/Coming Soon

**Bringing Advent Home:** Stop by tables outside the Fellowship Hall before and after worship services today for helpful Advent materials provided by the Children's Ministry.

**Communion Sunday:** The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered next Sunday, the First Sunday of Advent, during both morning worship services.

Therefore, this week should be a week of preparation. It may be helpful to read and reflect on one or more of these passages on the institution of the Supper by the Lord: Matthew 26:17-30; Mark 14:12-26; and I Corinthians 11:17-34.

CityServe Explorers: Join the Explorers on November 30 as they visit STAX Music Academy and the Soulsville Charter School. We will leave the West Parking Lot promptly at 4 p.m. and return by 6 p.m. Please contact Rachel Brannigan at rbrannigan@2pc.org or 454-0034 for a spot on the church van.

Crown Financial Ministries: This small group study trains adults to practically apply financial principles from God's Word. Topics include: getting out of debt, spending and earning money, giving and saving, budgeting and investing. The cost of this class is \$45 for singles and \$55 for couples and includes all materials needed. To sign up for the class which begins January 4, 2012, please contact Kathy Oswalt at koswalt@2pc.org or 454-0034 by December 15.

A Mother's Heart 2012 Registration: Give Them Grace: Dazzling your Kids with the Love of Jesus, written by Elyse Fitzpatrick and Jessica Thompson, will be the Spring 2012 study at A Mother's Heart on Thursdays, January 19-April 26, 2012, from 9:00-11:00 a.m. in C100. Register online at www.2pc. org/women or contact Nancy Webster at nwebster@2pc.org or 454-0034.

## **WOC December Circle Meetings**

Abigail: Chairman: Tracey Williams; Hostess: Glenda Sharp; 957 W Riverwalk Dr; 2nd Tues, 6:45pm. Anna: Chairman: Carolyn Branton; Hostess: Florence Leffler; 230 Baronne Pl; 1st Tues, 10:15am. Deborah: Chairman: Brenda Vincent; Hostess: Mary Lawrence Allen; Church C310; 1st Tues, 1:00pm. **Esther:** Chairman: Nina Wilson; Church B102; 1st Tues., 9:30am. Hannah: Chairman/Hostess: Jean McSwain; 2915 Tishomingo Ln; 2nd Thurs, 10:00am. Lydia: Chairman: June Robinson; Church C101/Mission Closet; 2nd Tues, 11:15am. Martha/Mary: Chairman: Vicki Gore; 4036 Dumaine Way; 1st Tues, 11:00am. **Naomi:** Chairman: Bebe Sorrels; Church B101; 1st Tues, 11:30am. NCC: Chairman: Eileen Wood; Robinhood Park Apts; Thursdays, 12:30-2:00pm.

Priscilla: Chairman: Jo Sammons; Hostess: Ruthann Schroth; 4116 Baldwin Sq; 1st Tues, 10:30am. Rachel: Chairman: Norma McHugh; La Baquette; 1st Tues., 11:00am. Rahab: Chairman: Donna Platt; Hostesses: Deborah Tipton and Libbee Clifford; 382 Ripplebrook; 1st Mon, 12:30pm. Rebekah: Chairman: Beverly Carrick; Hostess: Janet Cox; 4048 Baronne Way; 1st Tues, 10:30am. Ruth: Chairman: Martha Roper; Church A100; 1st Tues., 10:30am. Urban Ministries: Chairman: Marion Quinlen; St. John's Methodist Church; 1st Wed, 2:00pm.

# **Student Ministries**

Jr. High: Three Degrees meets on Sundays from 7:15-8:45 p.m. Tuesday Morning Prayer meets at 6:00 a.m. at the Nelsons' home (2051 Shadowood Cove). Mark your calendars for our Christmas Party on December 4, 7:15-8:45 p.m. Cost is \$10. Sixth graders, meet at the church to attend the RiverKings game on December 10 (6-9 p.m.). Three Degrees Small Groups will resume January 11. Visit www.2pcyouth. org for more information!

**Sr. High:** Life Groups meet on Sundays from 4:45-6:00 p.m. No REP Tutoring this week. Tuesday Morning Prayer meets at 6:00 a.m. at the Nelsons' home (2051 Shadowood Cove). True North meets on Wednesdays from 7:30-9:00 p.m. The True North Christmas Party will be at Playhouse on the Square December 7, 7:30-9:30 p.m. Cost is \$10. Visit www.2pcyouth. org for more information!

**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 Amanda Coop at acoop@campusoutreach.org.

## Career Transition Group

The Career Transition Ministry welcomes those currently in transition or looking for a career change. This group, led by Robert Sutton, meets on the first and third Thursday mornings of the month at 8 a.m. and focuses on prayer and support, networking, and practical employment

advice. All are invited! Please contact Gail Turner in the Caring Ministry at 454-0034 with questions.

# Caring Ministry

### Congratulations to:

Lynn and Thom Weller on the birth of a daughter, *Elizabeth Dixon Weller*, November 11, 2011.

#### Sympathy to:

Karen Emmett on the death of her mother, *Marjorie Dooly Fetzer*, November 1, 2011 in Chattanooga, TN.

Kathy Galyean on the death of her father, Ralph W. Kelley, November 13, 2011 in Paragould, AR.

The family of *Karl A. Anderson* on his death, November 13, 2011.

# In the Hospital (as of 11/16/11):

Gerry Tooms, Baptist Rehab Steve Collins, Baptist Janet Wright, The Village at Germantown Rehab

#### November Flowers

The rosebud in the Chancel of the Sanctuary today is placed in honor of the birth of: William Radford Pigg, born October 19, 2011, son of Mims and Sean Pigg.

The flowers in the Sanctuary for the month of November are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of: S.G. and Dixie J. Collins and Marjorie Wunderlich by Keith, Kristi, Elliott and David Collins; Norma Jean Duckworth by her family; Ann and Oscar Edwards by Jimmy and Mary Edwards and their family; George Shea Flinn by his sons George, Fred, and Carl, and their families; *Jim Fox* by his family; *Catherine Otey* by her cousin, Rena Jirack; Dr. Max Wesley Painter by his family and in honor of: Louise and Charles Housholder, who are celebrating seventy years of marriage this month, by their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Christmas Flower Order Form			
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