

WORLD MISSIONS CONFERENCE



**SOUND
FOR THE**

ORDER FOR THE
PUBLIC WORSHIP *of* GOD

FEBRUARY 26, 2017

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

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

We are glad that you have joined us for worship. Today is World Missions Sunday at Second.

John Piper reminds us that “worship is the fuel of missions. If our passion for worship grows cold, our heart for the lost will also grow cold. If we don’t learn to worship God in Spirit and truth we will never have the heart for mission that God asks. Worship fuels mission because ‘you will always commend that which you cherish!’ (Psalm 145:4)”

Let us pray that God would so move in our hearts that we would cherish well our beloved Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. As a result, may we commend Him gladly, boldly, and zealously to our friends both here in the city of Memphis and to the nations of the world.

SOUND FORTH HIS PRAISE AMONG THE NATIONS

ORGAN PRELUDE: “Lift High the Cross” Michael Burkhardt
Samuel Metzger, organ

BRASS PRELUDE: “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name!” Dan Marvin

CHORAL INTROIT: “Praise My Soul the King of Heaven”arr. Duane Funderburk
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the everlasting King!
The Westminster Singers (8:15), The Chancel Choir (11:00)
Steve Hancock, Director

SCRIPTURAL CALL TO WORSHIP Gibson (8:15)
Valery (11:00)

✦PROCESSIONAL HYMN: No. 263 “Lift High the Cross” CRUCIFER

✦OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Exodus 19:3-8. Aileen (8:15)
Karen (11:00)

The Lord called to him out of the mountain, saying,
“Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the people of Israel:

**You yourselves have seen what I did to the Egyptians,
and how I bore you on eagles’ wings and brought you to myself.**

Now therefore, if you will indeed obey my voice and keep my covenant,
you shall be my treasured possession among all peoples,
for all the earth is mine;

**and you shall be to me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.
These are the words that you shall speak to the people of Israel.”**

So Moses came and called the elders of the people
and set before them all these words that the Lord had commanded him.

**All the people answered together and said,
“All that the Lord has spoken we will do.”**

✦CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE. CRUCIFER

**Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim,
Till all the world adore His sacred name.**

✦PRAYER OF ADORATION Kyle (8:15)
Brian (11:00)

SOUND FORTH HIS MERCY GRANTED TO US

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION Heath (8:15)
Randy (11:00)

**Holy and Gracious Lord, You call us Your treasured possession.
Yet, we look for significance in other things.
You call us a kingdom of priests.
Pardon us for our failure to intercede
on behalf of other nations and their citizens.
You call us a holy nation,
yet we confess our unholy lips and lives.
Ignite in us a holy zeal to declare Your excellencies to others.
So move in our hearts by Your Spirit
that we live as Your sent ones
who bring light to a dark world and life to a dying world.
For we pray in the strong name of Jesus,
who is the only Savior of sinners, Amen.**

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE Samuel Wesley, Keith and Kristyn Getty

**Facing a task unfinished, that drives us to our knees.
A need that, undiminished, rebukes our slothful ease.
We, who rejoice to know Thee, renew before Thy throne
The solemn pledge we owe Thee to go and make Thee known.
Where other lords beside Thee hold their unhindered sway;
Where forces that defied Thee, defy Thee still today.
With none to heed their crying for life, and love, and light,
Unnumbered souls are dying and pass into the night.
We go to all the world with kingdom hope unfurled.
No other name has power to save but Jesus Christ, the Lord.**

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS Ron

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "To the Lamb on the Throne" Dan Forrest

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.

Worthy the Lamb, "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.

Worthy the Lamb, God rules in the height, almighty to save;
Thou hid from our sight, His presence we have;
The great congregation His triumph shall sing,
Ascribing salvation to Jesus, our King.

Worthy the Lamb. Then let us adore "Worthy the Lamb,"
All glory and power, all wisdom and might;
All honor and blessing with angels above,
And thanks never ceasing and infinite love. "Worthy the Lamb!"

✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

**We bear the torch that, flaming, fell from the hands of those
Who gave their lives proclaiming that Jesus died and rose.
Ours is the same commission, that same glad message ours;
Fired by the same ambition, to Thee we yield our pow'rs.**

**O Father, who sustained them, O Spirit, who inspired,
Savior, whose love constrained them to toil with zeal untired,
From cowardice defend us, from lethargy awake!
Forth on Thine errands send us to labor for Thy sake.**

**We go to all the world with kingdom hope unfurled.
No other name has power to save but Jesus Christ, the Lord.**

✦ PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

✦ GREETINGS

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN (8:15) Michael

INTRODUCTION OF MISSIONARIES AND GUESTS Dan

MISSIONARY INTERVIEWS Lizzie (8:15)
Amy and Jonathan (11:00)

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

SEND FORTH HIS GOSPEL FROM HERE TO EVERYWHERE

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: I Thessalonians 1:2-10 Norm (8:15)
(page 986 in the pew Bible) Austin (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)*

SERMON *From Thessalonika to Everywhere* Giotis Kantartzis

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

PLEDGING OURSELVES TO THE GREAT COMMISSION

RECESSIONAL HYMN: "O Zion, Haste" arr. Craig Courtney

Choir:

Look to the fields ripe with harvest. Yet are the laborers few.
Pray that the Lord of the harvest would send forth laborers.

How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed?
And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard?
And how shall they hear without a preacher?
And how shall they preach, except they be sent?
How beautiful, how beautiful are the feet of them that preach
The Gospel of peace and bring glad tidings of good news.

✦ *Congregation joins:*

**O Zion, haste, your mission high fulfilling,
To tell to all the world that God is Light;
That He who made all nations is not willing
One soul should perish, lost in shades of night.
Publish glad tidings, tidings of peace;
Tidings of Jesus, redemption and release.**

Behold how many thousands still are lying
Bound in the darksome prison-house of sin,
With none to tell them of the Savior's dying,
Or of the life He died for them to win.
Publish glad tidings, tidings of peace;
Tidings of Jesus, redemption and release.

Proclaim to every people, tongue, and nation
That God, in whom they live and move, is Love;
Tell how He stooped to save His lost creation,
And died on earth that man might live above.
Publish glad tidings, tidings of peace;
Tidings of Jesus, redemption and release.

Give of your sons to bear the message glorious,
Give of your wealth to speed them on their way;
Pour out your soul for them in prayer victorious,
And all your spending Jesus will repay.
Publish glad tidings, tidings of peace;
Tidings of Jesus, redemption and release.

Go ye into all the world and preach good news!

✦BENEDICTION

✦CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

ORGAN POSTLUDE: Toccata on "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" Richard Elliott

✦*Indicates congregation standing*

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