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PUBLIC WORSHIP *of* GOD

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October 8, 2017  
*Trinity Season*



## PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

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

At Second, we believe that the gospel of Jesus Christ makes us a people for others. Therefore, we take seriously our responsibility to make followers of Jesus Christ in Memphis and around the world. In today's sermon text our risen Lord commissions His followers.

May our Lord grant you a renewed commitment to engage His mission, and may we become people so gripped by God's beauty and the greatness of His global enterprise that we align our lives with His purpose to fill the earth with the knowledge of His glory. Our Lord never sends us on mission without equipping us first. The Spirit's work of equipping occurs not as we focus on what we must do, but on all that Christ has done for us.

Reflect on the following prayer and ask the Lord to awaken your heart to gratefully praise our Lord Jesus Christ:

*O Gracious Redeemer,  
You stride forth as the Victor,  
conqueror of death, hell, and all opposing might.  
You burst the bands of death,  
trampled the powers of darkness down, and live forever.  
You paid our immense debt of sin.  
You have come forth from the prison house of the grave,  
free and triumphant over sin, Satan, and death.  
In You we died, in You we rose, in Your life we live,  
in Your victory we triumph, in Your ascension we shall be glorified  
for the glory of Your great Name. Amen.*

## THE RISEN CHRIST RECEIVES OUR PRAISE

PRELUDE: "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" . . . . . arr. Richard Elliott  
"Beneath the Cross of Jesus" . . . . . arr. Lloyd Larson  
*Samuel Metzger, organ and piano*

CHORAL INTROIT: "Sanctus" . . . . . Schubert  
Holy, holy, holy, holy is the Lord.  
Holy, holy, holy, holy is the Lord.  
Holy is the Father, Holy is the Son,  
Holy is the Spirit: blessed Three in One.

*The Westminster Singers (8:15), The Chancel Choir (11:00)  
Samuel Metzger, Director*

SCRIPTURAL CALL TO WORSHIP . . . . . L. Brett Wynne

The angel said to Joseph... "you shall call his name Jesus,  
for he will save his people from their sins." (*Matthew 1:20-21*)

**Salvation is found in no one else,  
for there is no other name under heaven  
given to mankind by which we must be saved.** (*Acts 4:12*)

♠HYMN OF PRAISE: "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!" . . . . .CORONATION



1. All hail the pow'r of Je - sus' name! Let ang - els pros - trate  
 2. Ye seed of Is - rael's cho - sen race, ye ran - somed of the  
 3. Let ev' - ry kind - red, ev' - ry tribe, on this ter - res - trial  
 4. O that with yon - der sa - cred throug we at his feet may



fall; bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem, and  
 fall, hail him who saves you by his grace, and  
 ball, to him all ma - jes - ty as - crite, and  
 fall; we'll join the ev - er - last - ing song, and



crown him Lord of all; bring forth the roy - al  
 crown him Lord of all; hail him who saves you  
 crown him Lord of all; to him all ma - jes -  
 crown him Lord of all; we'll join the ev - er -



di - a - dem, and crown him Lord of all.  
 by his grace, and crown him Lord of all.  
 ty as - crite, and crown him Lord of all.  
 last - ing song, and crown him Lord of all.

♠INVOCATION (*Please lift hands*)

THE RISEN CHRIST PARDONS OUR SIN

CALL TO CONFESSION . . . . .Hebrews 4:14, 16

Since we have a great high priest who has ascended into heaven,  
 Jesus the Son of God,

**Let us hold firmly to the faith we profess.**

Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence,

**so that we may receive mercy  
 and find grace to help us in our time of need.**

In the strength of this assurance,

**let us confess our sins to God.**

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Almighty Father,  
in raising Jesus from the grave,  
You shattered the power of sin and death.  
Yet we confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear,  
bound by the ways that lead to death.  
We waste Your gifts, wander from Your ways, and forget Your love.  
Forgive us for our neglect of our neighbors  
and for our absorption with our names, our kingdoms, and our wills.  
May Jesus' resurrection life so rule us  
that we experience anew the joy of abundant, eternal life  
and give ourselves fully to His mission.  
For we pray in the name of our risen and reigning Lord! Amen.**

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON. . . . . I Timothy 1:15; 3:16

*The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance,  
that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost.  
By common confession, great is the mystery of godliness:  
He who was revealed in the flesh, was vindicated in the Spirit,  
seen by angels, proclaimed among the nations,  
believed on in the world, taken up in glory.*

✦HYMN OF ASSURANCE: No. 305 "Arise, My Soul, Arise" . . . . . LENOX  
stanzas 1-3

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS. . . . . Michael G. Stokke

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "It Is Well with My Soul" . . . . . John Ness Beck

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way,  
When sorrows like sea billows roll –  
Whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say,  
It is well, it is well with my soul.

My sin – O the joy of this glorious thought –  
My sin, not in part, but the whole  
Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more:  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!  
It is well, it is well with my soul.

And, Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight,  
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll:  
The trumpet shall sound and the Lord shall descend,  
"Even so" it is well with my soul!

*Brad Jones, piano*

✦CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE. . . . . LENOX

**My God is reconciled; His pard'ning voice I hear;  
He owns me for His child, I can no longer fear;  
With confidence I now draw nigh,  
With confidence I now draw nigh,  
And "Father, Abba, Father!" cry.**

✦PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

# THE RISEN CHRIST COMMISSIONS HIS CHURCH

## ✦GREETINGS

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN (8:15)

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.**

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON ..... Acts 1:1-11  
(page 909 in pew Bible)

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 Church That Grace Builds (Part 1)*            George W. Robertson

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

## ✦HYMN OF COMMITMENT:

No. 165 "Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim" ..... LYONS

## ✦BENEDICTION (Please lift hands)

## ✦CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

ORGAN POSTLUDE: "Toccata in Seven" ..... John Rutter

✦Indicates congregation standing

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