



COMMUNITY
Reformation Service

Order for the Public Worship of God

BRASS PRELUDE: “Fanfare and Flourishes” James Curnow

✦ CALL TO WORSHIP Rev. Cole Huffman
First Evangelical Church
Based on Calvin’s Genevan Liturgy (1542)

The Lord be with you!

And also with you.

Our help is in the name of the Lord!

Who made heaven and earth.

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!

Serve the Lord with gladness!

Come into His presence with singing!

Enter His gates with thanksgiving, and His courts with praise!

Give thanks to Him; bless His Name!

✦ HYMN No. 1: “All People That On Earth Do Dwell” OLD HUNDREDTH

INVOCATION/WORDS OF GREETING James Grant
Trinity Reformed Church

Sola Scriptura
(the Scriptures alone)

GENEVA CONFESSION (1536/37), Section 1 Rev. Kent Moorlach
Richland Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church

First we declare that for the rule of faith and religion, we wish to follow the Scriptures alone, without mixing with it any other thing which might be fabricated by the opinion of men apart from the Word of God; and we do not pretend to receive any other doctrine for our spiritual government than that which is taught us by the same Word, without addition or reduction, according to the command of our Lord.

**“All Scripture is breathed out by God
and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction,
and for training in righteousness,
that the man of God may be competent,
equipped for every good work.” II Timothy 3:16-17**

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Based on Bucer's Strasbourg Liturgy (1539)

As the word trains us in righteousness, let us make confession to the Lord:

**Almighty, eternal God and Father,
we confess and acknowledge unto You
that we were conceived in unrighteousness
and are full of sin and transgression in all our life.
We do not fully believe Your Word
nor follow Your holy commandments.
Remember Your goodness, we beseech You,
and for Your Name's sake be gracious unto us,
and forgive us our iniquity which, alas, is great. Amen.**

“This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptance:
that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.”
Let everyone, with St. Paul, truly acknowledge this in his heart
and believe in Christ and receive the forgiveness of sins.

CHORAL REFLECTION: “Crown Him with Many Crowns” arr. Diane Bish

Crown Him! Crown Him!

Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon His throne.
Hark! How the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing of Him who died for thee,
And hail Him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

Crown Him the Son of God, before the worlds began,
And ye who tread where He hath trod, crown Him the Son of Man;
Who every grief hath known that wrings the human breast,
And takes and bears them for His own, that all in Him may rest.

Crown Him the Lord of life, who triumphed over the grave,
And rose victorious in the strife for those He came to save.
His glories now we sing, who died and rose on high,
Who died eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.

Congregation stands and joins:

**Crown Him the Lord of love, behold His hands and side,
Those wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified.
All hail, Redeemer, hail! For Thou hast died for me;
Thy praise and glory shall not fail throughout eternity.**

Crown Him! Crown Him!

Sola Gratia Sola Fide

(Grace alone through Faith alone)

♠HEIDELBERG CATECHISM (1563), Answer 21. Rev. Ed Norton
Independent Presbyterian Church

True faith is not only a certain knowledge, whereby I hold for truth all that God has revealed to us in His word, but also an assured confidence, which the Holy Spirit works by the gospel in my heart; that not only to others, but to me also, remission of sin, everlasting righteousness and salvation, are freely given by God, merely of grace, only for the sake of Christ's merits.

**For by grace you have been saved through faith.
And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God,
not a result of works, so that no one may boast. Ephesians 2:8-9**

Solo Christo

(in Christ alone)

✦ WESTMINSTER CONFSSION OF FAITH (1646), VIII.1

LONDON BAPTIST CONFSSION OF FAITH (1689), VIII.1 . . . Rev. Randy McLendon
Trinity Reformed Baptist Church

It pleased God, in His eternal purpose, to choose and ordain the Lord Jesus, His only begotten Son, to be the Mediator between God and man, the Prophet, Priest, and King, the Head and Savior of His Church, the Heir of all things, and Judge of the world: unto whom He did from all eternity give a people, to be His seed, and to be by Him in time redeemed, called, justified, sanctified, and glorified.

**For there is one God,
and there is one mediator between God and men,
the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all,
which is the testimony given at the proper time.** *I Timothy 2:5-6*

✦ HYMN: "Before the Throne of God Above" Vicki Cook



1. Be - fore the throne of God a - bove I have a
2. When Sa - tan tempts me to de - spair And tells me
3. Be - hold Him there, the ris - en Lamb, My per - fect
strong and per - fect plea; A great High Priest whose name is
of the guilt with - in, Up - ward I look and see Him
spot - less right-eous - ness, The great un - change - a - ble I
Love, Who ev - er lives and pleads for me. My name is grav - en
there Who made an end of all my sin. Be - cause the sin - less
AM, the King of glo - ry and of grace. One with Him - self I
on His hands, My name is writ - ten on His heart. I know that
Sav - ior died My sin - ful soul is count - ed free; For God the
can - not die; My soul is pur - chased by His blood. My life is
while in heav'n He stands No tongue can bid me thence de -
just is sat - is - fied, To look on Him and par - don
hid with Christ on high, With Christ, my Sav - ior and my
part, No tongue can bid me thence de - part.
me, To look on Him and par - don me.
God, With Christ, my Sav - ior and my God!

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER. . . . Rev. Jordan Thomas
Grace Church

**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: "The Gospel of Humility" Dr. Dan Doriani

He also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and treated others with contempt: "Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, prayed thus: 'God, I thank you that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I get.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his house justified, rather than the other. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted." *Luke 18:9-14*

✦HYMN No. 296: "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!"CORONATION

Soli Deo Gloria

(Glory to God alone)

PRESENTATION OF OFFERINGSRev. Richard Cain
Second Presbyterian Church

*The offering taken this evening will benefit World Relief,
an organization ministering to those most vulnerable here and around the world.
Please make checks payable to Second Presbyterian Church.*

CHORAL ANTHEM: "God Is Our Refuge"Allen Pote

*God is our refuge and strength; a present help in time of trouble.
Though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea,
Though the waters roar and foam, we will not fear.*

*Come and behold the work of the Lord, the awesome acts of God.
He is in the midst of His people, in all the earth.*

He is the Word, we are His hands, He will lead us.
He is the air, we are His song, we will celebrate His presence all the day long.
He is the rain, we are the stones, He will cleanse us.
He is the air, we are His song, we will celebrate His presence all the day long.
We will not fear!

✦DOXOLOGY LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below: alleluia, alleluia!
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

✦CONFESSION OF FAITH: The Nicene Creed.Rev. William Spinks
Riveroaks Reformed Presbyterian Church

**We believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of the Father before all worlds;
God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God;
begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who, for us and for our salvation came down from heaven,
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary,
and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;
He suffered and was buried;
and the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures;
and ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of the Father;
and He shall come again, with glory, to judge the quick and the dead;
whose kingdom shall have no end.**

**And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life;
who proceeds from the Father and the Son;
who with the Father and the Son
together is worshipped and glorified;
who spoke by the prophets.**

**And we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church;
we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;
and we look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

✦HYMN No. 358: “For All the Saints” SINE NOMINE

✦BENEDICTION: Number 6:24-26 Rev. Phil Newton
South Woods Baptist

*“The Lord bless you and keep you;
the Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you;
the Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.”*

ORGAN POSTLUDE:

“Now Thank We All Our God” Sigfrid Karg-Elert; arr. Fred Bock

✦*Indicates congregation standing*

Reception

Please join us following the service for refreshments in the Fellowship Hall,
located at the end of the hallway west of the Sanctuary.

About the Speaker

Dr. Dan Doriani serves at Covenant Seminary as vice president of strategic academic projects and professor of theology. Previous to these roles, he spent a decade at Central Presbyterian Church in Clayton, MO as the senior pastor, and from 1991 to 2003 he served in various positions at Covenant, including professor of New Testament, dean of faculty, and vice president of academics. He has extensive teaching and pastoral experience as an interim, assistant, associate, and solo pastor, and has been involved in several planning and study committees at the presbytery level in both the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA) and the Evangelical Presbyterian Church (EPC). Among his many books are *Getting the Message: A Plan for Interpreting and Applying the Bible*; *The Life of a God-Made Man*; and commentaries on Matthew, James, and I Peter. He is also a contributing blogger for The Gospel Coalition.

Participating Churches

First Evangelical Church, Memphis; Grace Church, Memphis; Grace Community Church, Cordova;
Hickory Withe Presbyterian Church, Hickory Withe; Independent Presbyterian Church, Memphis;
Living Hope Church, Piperton; Providence Reformed Presbyterian Church, Bartlett;
Richland Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church, Rosemark; Riveroaks Reformed Presbyterian Church,
Germantown; Second Presbyterian Church, Memphis; South Woods Baptist Church, Memphis;
Trinity Reformed Baptist Church, Bartlett; Trinity Reformed Church, Rossville



After Darkness, Light

The Latin phrase *Post Tenebras Lux* is translated, “After Darkness, Light.” This was adopted as a motto for the Reformation in Geneva, Switzerland, and was eventually used by Protestants as an expression of hope that the light of the Gospel will break through the darkness that sometimes envelops the church. The symbol of the burning bush refers to Moses’ encounter in Exodus 3:2. This was adopted by the French Huguenots at the time of the Reformation, reminding us that the light of the Gospel will not be extinguished. The great Scottish preacher Samuel Rutherford once said, “The bush has been burning these five thousand years, and no man yet saw the ashes of that fire.”