

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA

CONCLUDING THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP

February 1, 2015 • 6:00 P.M.

PRELIMINARY PREPARATION • 5:45

In the Sanctuary ~ Instrumental Prelude

In the Westminster Room ~ Prayer for the Service with the Ministers

Opening Scripture Calls Us to Worship the LORD ~ *Psalm 146* Mr. McRoberts

Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD, O my soul! I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being. Put not your trust in princes, in a son of man, in whom there is no salvation. When his breath departs, he returns to the earth; on that very day his plans perish. Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD his God, who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, who keeps faith forever; who executes justice for the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry. The LORD sets the prisoners free; the LORD opens the eyes of the blind. The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the righteous. The LORD watches over the sojourners; He upholds the widow and the fatherless, but the way of the wicked He brings to ruin. The LORD will reign forever, your God, O Zion, to all generations. Praise the LORD!

Hymn No. 94 – “How Firm a Foundation” [stanzas 1-4, 6]

Opening Prayer

Special Music

“My Jesus, I Love Thee”

arr. Gerig

Men's Quartet

[Words may be found in the *Trinity Hymnal* page 648.]

Responsive Reading ~ *Psalm 118*

Trinity Hymnal pages 828-829

Hymn No. 670 – “If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee”

Written in 1641, this hymn by Georg Neumark, relates a similar confidence in the sovereignty of God in the midst of uncertain and cruel events. As a young man on his way to university, Neumark was set upon by bandits and robbed of all that he had, apart from some money that had been sewn into his clothes and a prayer book. Unable to continue the rest of the way, Neumark (unsuccessfully at first) attempted to gain employment as a tutor. In recalling this incident in his life, he penned both the words of his famous hymn and its accompanying tune: *If thou but suffer God to guide thee, and hope in Him through all thy ways, He'll give thee strength whate'er betide thee, and bear thee through the evil days. Who trusts in God's unchanging love builds on the Rock that naught can move.* In Catherine Winkworth's translation, we catch a glimpse of Neumark's inner struggle with providence, even to the point of initial bitterness: *What can these anxious cares avail thee, these never-ceasing moans and sighs? What can it help, if thou bewail thee, o'er each dark moment as it flies? Our cross and trials do but press the heavier for our bitterness.*

Evening Prayer

The Reverend Lincoln Speece

Hymn — “Isaiah 43”

**When you pass through the waters, I will be with you,
And the waves will not overcome you.
Do not fear, for I have redeemed you.
I have called you by name; you are Mine.**

***Chorus: For I am the Lord, your God (Echo)
For I am the Lord, your God (Echo)
I am the Holy One of Israel, your Savior (unison)***

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***I am the Lord (Do not fear)
I am the Lord (Do not fear)
I am the Lord (Do not fear)
I am the Lord (Do not fear)
Last time: I am the Lord.***

**When you walk through the fire, you’ll not be burned,
And the flames will not consume you,
Do not fear, for I have redeemed you.
I have called you by name; you are Mine. *Chorus.***

Interlude

Children are dismissed to attend their classes.

Homily

Mr. Howell

**“The Seven Bowls of Wrath”
Revelation 16**

Introduction

- I. First Bowl: vv. 1-2**
- II. Second Bowl: v. 3**
- III. Third Bowl: vv. 4-7**
- IV. Fourth Bowl: vv. 8-9**
- V. Fifth Bowl: vv. 10-11**
- VI. Sixth Bowl: vv. 12-16**
- VII. Seventh Bowl: vv. 17-21**

Conclusion

Closing Hymn No. 523 – “My Hope Is in the Lord”

Benediction