



SUNDAY EVENING

Vespers



CONCLUDING THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP

Trinity Presbyterian Church

FEBRUARY 6, 2022 AT 6:00 P.M.

Lord's Day Vespers

EVENING WORSHIP AT 6:00 P.M.

EVENING VESPER MEDITATION

Almighty God, we give You thanks for surrounding us, as daylight fades, with the brightness of vesper light; and we implore You in Your great mercy that, as You enfold us with the radiance of Your light, You would shine into our hearts the brightness of Your Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord dispel the darkness of our hearts, that by Your brightness we may know You to be the true God and Eternal Light, living and reigning forever and ever.
Amen.



Prelude

Call to Worship and Invocation

Psalm 22:27-28

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord, and all the families of the nations shall worship before You. For kingship belongs to the Lord, and He rules over the nations.

Hymn

All Creatures of Our God and King

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Psalm Reading

Psalm 67

Minister: May God be gracious to us and bless us and make His face to shine upon us

People: that Your way may be known on earth, Your saving power among all nations.

Minister: Let the peoples praise You, O God; let all the peoples praise You!

People: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for You judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.

Minister: Let the peoples praise You, O God; let all the peoples praise You!

People: The earth has yielded its increase; God, our God, shall bless us. God shall bless us; let all the ends of the earth fear Him!

Hymn

Across the Lands

(see page 6)

At the last stanza of Across the Lands, children are dismissed to attend their classes.

Commissioning of the Repnosa, Mexico Mission Trip Team

Introduction of the Team

Brian Atkins

Lawton Dean

Alexandra Dean

Samuel and Furman Dean

Rita Dean

Joy Funderburk

John Steiner

The Explanation and Goals of the Trip

The Commissioning Vows

1. Do you believe in One God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—and do you confess anew the Lord Jesus Christ as your Savior and Lord and acknowledge Him Head over all things to the Church, which is His body?
2. Do you believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the Word of God, the only infallible rule of faith and practice?
3. Have you concluded in good conscience, as far as you know in your own heart, that you do seek the position of a servant on this mission work out of love to God and a sincere desire to promote His glory in the Gospel of His Son?
4. Do you promise to perform faithfully all the duties given you in this short-term mission project, as unto the Lord?

The Prayer of Commitment

Evening Scripture Lesson

Matthew 26:11

“For you have the poor with you always, but Me you do not have always.”

Homily

HAVING THE POOR WITH YOU ALWAYS

Reverend Ken Austin

Ken Austin is the pastor and founder of New Walk of Life Church, as well as the founder and Executive Director of Mercy House and M. A. P. (Ministry About People). Mr. Austin has also been on the board of directors with Common Ground Montgomery and has served as their director of operations and community relations. He has also served on the boards of Valiant Cross Academy, the Mental Health Authority, and House to House and he is a member of Montgomery Police Department's Good Shepherd program. Additionally, Mr. Austin is one of the leaders in the O. U. R. (One United Reaching) Montgomery Prayer Walk gatherings that brings people from across our city together for prayer in a different neighborhood on the first Saturday of every month.

Prayer

Hymn

I Love to Tell the Story

I LOVE TO TELL THE STORY

I love to tell the story of unseen things above,
of Jesus and His glory, of Jesus and His love.
I love to tell the story, because I know 'tis true;
it satisfies my longings as nothing else can do.

*Refrain: I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory
to tell the old, old story of Jesus and His love.*

I love to tell the story; 'tis pleasant to repeat
what seems, each time I tell it, more wonderfully sweet.
I love to tell the story, for some have never heard
the message of salvation from God's own Holy Word. [*Refrain*]

I love to tell the story; for those who know it best
seem hungering and thirsting to hear it, like the rest,
And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song,
'twill be the old, old story, that I have loved so long. [*Refrain*]

Benediction

Congregational Response

I Love to Tell the Story

I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory
to tell the old, old story of Jesus and His love.



Congregation:

1. All Creatures of our God and King,
Lift up your voice with us and sing:

Alleluia, alleluia!

O burning sun with olden beam,
And shining moon with silver gleam,
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia,
Alleluia, Alleluia!

3. O rushing wind so wild and strong,
White clouds that sail in Heaven along,
Alleluia, Alleluia!

New rising dawn in praise rejoice;
You nights of evening find a voice:
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia,
Alleluia, Alleluia!

5. Let all things their Creator bless,
and worship Him in humbleness,
Alleluia, Alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
and praise the Spirit, Three in One,
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia,
Alleluia, Alleluia!

Children's Choirs and Congregation:

2. Oh, criaturas del Señor,
Cantad con melodiosavoz:
Aleluya, Aleluya!
Ardiente sol con tu fulgor;
Oh, luna de suave esplendor:
Aleluya, Aleluya, Aleluya,
Aleluya Aleluya!

4. Viento veloz, potente alud,
Nubes en claro Cielo azul:
Aleluya, Aleluya!
Suave, dorado amanecer;
Tu manto, noche, al extender:
Aleluya, Aleluya, Aleluya,
Aleluya, Aleluya!

Across the Lands



1. You're the Word of God the Fa-ther from be-fore the world be-
2. Yet You left the gaze of an-gels came to seek and save the
3. With a shout You rose vic - to-rious, wrest-ing vic - t'ry from the



gan; Ev-'ry star and ev -'ry pla - net_ has been fa - shioned by Your
lost, and ex-changed the joy of heav-en_ for the ang - uish of a
grave, and a -scend - ed in - to heav-en_ lead - ing cap - tives in Your



hand. All cre - a - tion holds to - geth - er by the
cross. With a prayer You fed the hung - ry; with a
way. Now You stand be - fore the Fa - ther in - ter -



po - wer of Your voice; Let the skies de - declare Your
word You calmed the sea. Yet how si - lent - ly You
ced - ing for Your own. From each tribe and tongue and



glo - ry_ let the land and sea re - joice!
suf - fered_ that the guil - ty may go free!
na - tion_ You are lead - ing sin - ners home!

Refrain



You're the Au - thor of cre - a - tion, You're the Lord of ev - 'ry man,

Repeat refrain last time



and Your cry of love rings out a - cross the lands.

Making a Joyful Noise

Devotional Thoughts on Congregational Singing

*Let God speak directly to His people through the Scriptures,
and let His people respond with grateful songs of praise.*

–Martin Luther

Created to Sing – Singing with Creation

Creation sings the Father's song and when we sing as God's people it brings us into line with the whole of the rest of creation.

*Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth, burst into jubilant song with music;
Make music to the Lord with the harp, with the harp and the sound of singing,
with trumpets and the blast of the ram' horn – shout for joy before the Lord, the King.
Let the sea resound, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it.
Let the rivers clap their hands, let the mountains sing together for joy;
let them sing before the Lord, for He comes to judge the earth.
He will judge the world in righteousness and the peoples with equity. (Psalm 98:4-8)*

To praise Him is the original desire sewn into every fiber of our God-designed humanity and into every aspect of our God-designed world. When we sing God's praise, we join with the tune of the cosmos.

Paul Tripp has noted “God is the ultimate musician. His music transforms your life. The notes of redemption rearrange your heart and restore your life. His songs of forgiveness, grace, reconciliation, truth, hope, sovereignty, and love give you back your humanity and restore your identity.”

Our singing should lead our hearts to Him. We do not worship the created art of singing; we worship Him. Don't sing primarily because you love singing, or keep quiet because you do not. Sing because you love Who made you, and formed you, and enables you to sing.

Liberally taken from *Sing!, How Worship Transforms Your Life, Family and Church*, by Keith and Kristyn Getty, chapter 1, pp 9-10.