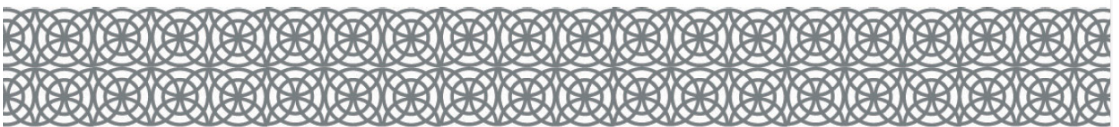


SUNDAY EVENING

Vespers



CONCLUDING THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

AUGUST 13, 2023 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, so 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

2 Corinthians 4:16-18

Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day. For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.

Hymn

Eternal Weight of Glory

(see page 5)

Congregational Prayer

Adapted from *Apostolic Constitutions* (AD 380)

We praise you, O Lord.

We sing songs of worship to You.

We praise You for Your great glory and grace, O Lord our King, the Father of Christ the sinless Lamb, Who takes away our sin.

O Fountain of all that is good, we pray You will in Your mercy accept our thanksgiving of praise.

You have made the day for the works of light, and the night for refreshment of our weakness.

You have brought us through the length of day and to the beginning of night.

Preserve us by Your Christ, allow us an evening of peace.

Grant us everlasting life by Your Christ, through Whom glory, honor, and worship be to You in the Holy Spirit forever and ever. Amen.

Evening Prayer

Prayer Response

Hear Our Prayer, O Lord



Psalm Reading

Psalm 130

Out of the depths I cry to You, O LORD! O Lord, hear my voice!

Let Your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy!

If You, O LORD, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand? But with You there is forgiveness, that You may be feared.

I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in His word I hope;

my soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen for the morning, more than watchmen for the morning. O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with Him is plentiful redemption.

And He will redeem Israel from all his iniquities.

Hymns

I Will Wait For You (see page 6)

The Day of the Lord (see page 7)

Jesus Paid It All (see page 8)

At the last stanza of "Jesus Paid It All," children are dismissed to attend their classes.

Evening Scripture Lesson

Luke 23:26-28
pew Bible, page 1125

And as they led Him away, they seized one Simon of Cyrene, who was coming in from the country, and laid on him the cross, to carry it behind Jesus. And there followed Him a great multitude of the people and of women who were mourning and lamenting for Him. But turning

to them Jesus said, “Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for Me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. For behold, the days are coming when they will say, ‘Blessed are the barren and the wombs that never bore and the breasts that never nursed!’ Then they will begin to say to the mountains, ‘Fall on us,’ and to the hills, ‘Cover us.’ For if they do these things when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?” Two others, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with Him. And when they came to the place that is called The Skull, there they crucified Him, and the criminals, one on His right and one on His left. And Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.” And they cast lots to divide His garments. And the people stood by, watching, but the rulers scoffed at Him, saying, “He saved others; let Him save Himself, if He is the Christ of God, His Chosen One!” The soldiers also mocked Him, coming up and offering Him sour wine and saying, “If You are the King of the Jews, save Yourself!” There was also an inscription over Him, “This is the King of the Jews.”

Homily

THE SWEETNESS OF GRACE

Rev. Dr Jonathan Gibson

Luke 23:26-28

Prayer

Hymn

O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

(see page 9)

Benediction

Benediction Response

Turn Your Eyes

**Turn your eyes to the morning,
and see Christ the Lion awake
What a glorious dawn, fear of death is gone
For we carry His life in our veins**

**Turn your eyes upon Jesus,
Look full in His wonderful face,
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim,
In the light of His glory and grace.**

Sermon Notes

Eternal Weight of Glory



Now the days and hours and mo - ments of our su - ffering seem so -
Oh e - ter - nal weight of glo - ry Oh in - he - ri - tance di -
We will see our woun - ded Sa - vior, we'll be - hold Him face to -



long, and the toil-some wait and won-d'ring threa-ten si-lence to our song. Now our
vine, we will see our Lord re - dee-ming e - very past and fu - ture time. All our
face, and we'll hear our an - guished sto - ries sung as vic - t'ry songs of grace.



pain is real and pre - ssing where our faith is thin and weak but our
pains will be trans - fi - gured like the scars of Christ our Lord we will



hope is set on Je - sus and we cling to Him our strength. For be -
see the weight of glo - ry and our bro - ken years re - stored.



hold I tell a mys - tery: At the trump - et sound we'll wake! Death is swa - llo - wed up in



vic - t'ry when we meet our King of grace. E - v'ry year we thought was was - ted, ev - ery



night we cried how long, all will be a pas - sing mo - ment in our Sa - vior's vic - tory song.

I Will Wait for You

(Psalm 130)



1. Out of the depths I cry to You, in
 2. Were You to count my sin - ful ways, how
 3. So, put your hope in God a - lone. Take
 4. Now He has come to make a way, and



dark - est plac - es I will call. In - cline Your ear to me a -
 could I come be - fore Your throne? Yet full for - give - ness meets my
 cour - age in His power to save, com - plet - ly and for - ev - er
 God Him - self has paid the price, that all who trust in Him to -



new, and hear my cry for mer - cy, Lord. (to v. 2)
 gaze, I stand re - deemed by grace a - lone.
 won by Christ's e - merg - ing from the grave.
 day, find heal - ing in His sac - ri - fice.

CHORUS



(2, 3, 4) I will wait for You, I will wait for You, on Your
 (5th) I will wait for You, I will wait for You, through the



word I will re - ly. I will wait for You, sure - ly
 storm and through the night. I will wait for You, sure - ly



wait for You, till my soul is sat - is - fied.
 wait for You, for Your love is my de - light.

The Day of the Lord

(Refrain after verses two and three only)



It's not long 'til the boast-ful are si-lenced and shamed. It's not
Just be still and be faith-ful and dwell in the land. Put your
Do not fear for the wick-ed with weap-ons of war, for the



long 'til the wealth of the wick-ed's re-claimed. And the
trust in the Sav-ior and cling to His hand. When your
Lord is the shel-ter and strength of the poor. And our



ones who have wait-ed with eyes on the Lord will shine like the sun for-ev-er -
heart burns with an-ger for all that is wrong, do not let the dark steal your
God comes with laugh-ter, let Him be your joy. The pow'r of the sword, He'll de-



more. It's not long 'til the Day of the Lord! (to verse 2)
song. It's not long 'til the Day of the Lord! Refrain: It's not
stroy It's not long 'til the Day of the Lord!



long 'til the Day of the Lord, it's not long 'til the day of the Lord! Ev-'ry-



thing that is bro-ken will soon be re-stored. It's not long 'til the Day of the Lord!

Words and Music by Wendell Kimbrough

Jesus Paid It All



I ___ hear the Sav - ior say: "Thy strength in - deed is small.
Lord, now in - deed I find Thy pow'r, and Thine a - lone
And when be - fore the throne I stand in Him com - plete,



Child of weak - ness, watch and pray; find in Me thine all in all."
can ___ change the lep - er's spots and ___ melt the heart of stone.
"Je - sus died my soul to save," my ___ lips shall still re - peat.



Je - sus paid it all; all to Him I owe.



Sin had left a crim - son stain; He washed it white as snow.

O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus



O the deep, deep love of Je - sus! Vast, un -
 O the deep, deep love of Je - sus! Spread His
 O the deep, deep love of Je - sus! Love of



meas - ured, bound - less, free; roll - ing as a
 praise from shore to shore; how He lov - eth,
 ev - 'ry love the best: 'tis an o - cean



might - y o - cean in its full - ness o - ver me.
 ev - er lov - eth, chang - eth nev - er, nev - er - more;
 vast of bless - ing, 'tis a ha - ven sweet of rest.



Un - der - neath me, all a - round me, is the
 how He watch - es o'er His loved ones, died to
 O the deep, deep love of Je - sus! 'Tis a



cur - rent of Thy love; lead - ing on - ward,
 call them all His own; how for them He
 heav'n of heav'ns to me; and it lifts me



lead - ing home - ward, to Thy glo - rious rest a - bove.
 in - ter - ced - eth, watch - eth o'er them from the throne.
 up to glo - ry, for it lifts me up to Thee.



Sanctuary

SERMON SERIES

Guest Minister

Rev. Dr. Jonathan Gibson

Today, we welcome Rev. Dr. Jonathan Gibson as our guest minister. Dr. Gibson is Associate Professor of Old Testament at Westminster Theological Seminary in Philadelphia. He holds a PhD in Hebrew Studies, from Girton College, Cambridge University. He is an ordained teaching elder in the International Presbyterian Church, UK, and previously served as associate minister at Cambridge Presbyterian Church in England. He was Lecturer in Biblical Theology in the Christian Heritage Apprenticeship Program in Cambridge from 2013–2015.

Dr. Gibson is a contributor to and co-editor (with David Gibson) of *From Heaven He Came and Sought Her: Definite Atonement in Historical, Biblical, Theological, and Pastoral Perspective*. He is also the author of historical and biblical articles in *Themelios*, *Journal of Biblical Literature*, and *Tyndale Bulletin*, as well as “Obadiah” in the *NIV Proclamation Bible*.

He authored *Be Thou My Vision: A Liturgy for Daily Worship* and several children’s books including *The Moon Is Always Round*, *The Acrostic of God*, and *The Acrostic of Jesus*.



VISITORS

We are honored to have you as our guest today. Please complete the information on our Friendship Register (by scanning the QR code) so that we may respond properly to your visit.

*To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;
to all who mourn and long for comfort;
to all who struggle and desire victory;
to all who sin and need a Savior;
to all who are strangers and want fellowship;
to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;
and to all who will come,
this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome
in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ.*



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