

OLD YEAR

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TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA  
DECEMBER 29, 2024 AT 6:00 P.M.

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The Welcome and Call to Preparation

Rev. Kurt Cooper

The Prelude

*At the River*

Aaron Copland

*Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal,  
flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city;  
also, on either side of the river, the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit,  
yielding its fruit each month. The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.  
Revelation 22:1-2*

The Chiming of the Hour

† The Call to Worship

O come, let us worship the Lord and consider what wondrous things God has done:

**The Wisemen who study the heavens follow a guiding star!**

O come, let us worship the Lord and consider what wondrous things God has done:

**The peoples who live in the shadows see a glorious light!**

O come, let us worship the Lord and consider what wondrous things God has done:

**The Word made flesh reveals God's eternal plan,**

making us joint heirs of the promise of salvation through the gospel!

**O come, let us worship the Lord,**

**for God has done wondrous things!**

The Prayer of Invocation

† The Hymn No. 567

*Be Still, My Soul*

FINLANDIA

The Prayer of Thanksgiving and Remembrance

The Musical Offering

*None Other Lamb*

arr. Craig Courtney

None other Lamb, none other Name, none other hope in heaven or earth or sea,

None other hiding place from guilt and shame, none beside Thee.

My faith burns low, my hope burns low, only my heart's desire cries out in me,

By the deep thunder of its want and woe, cries out to Thee.

Lord, Thou art life, though I be dead; love's fire Thou art, however cold I be:

Nor heaven have I, nor place to lay my head, none beside Thee.

*Terry and Rolland Stoneberg; Diana Stoneberg, piano*

† The Hymn No. 23

*O God, Our Help in Ages Past*

ST. ANNE

The Scripture Reading – Hebrews 6:13-20

pew Bible, page 1279

The Homily

**I SWEAR**

Rev. Cooper

Litany for the New Year – from Ecclesiastes 3

For everything there is a season:

**And a time for every matter under heaven:**

A time to be born and a time to die;

**A time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted;**

A time to kill, and a time to heal;

**A time to break down, and a time to build up;**

A time to weep and a time to laugh;

**A time to mourn and a time to dance;**

a time to seek, and a time to lose;

**a time to keep, and a time to cast away;**

a time to tear, and a time to sew;

**a time to keep silence, and a time to speak;**

a time to love, and a time to hate;

**a time for war, and a time for peace.**

God has made everything beautiful in its time.

**He has put eternity into man's heart.**

I perceived that whatever God does endures forever;

**nothing can be added to it, nor anything taken from it.**

**ALL: God has done it, so that people fear before Him.**

† The Hymn No. 463

*Lead on, O King Eternal*

LANCASHIRE

† The Benediction of God's Grace

The Postlude

*Concerto in D Major*

A. Vivaldi/J.S. Bach

Arr. Allen Chen

*Through Him we have also obtained access by faith  
into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God.*

*Not only that, but we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that  
suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character,  
and character produces hope, and hope does not put us to shame,*

*because God's love has been poured into our hearts  
through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.*

*Romans 5:2-5*

### **Leading In Worship**

Rev. Kurt Cooper, *Senior Minister*

Dr. Mark Nabholz, *Director of Music*

Mrs. Shannon Mathai, *Assistant Director of Music and Organist*

Dr. Michael Huff, *trumpet*



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