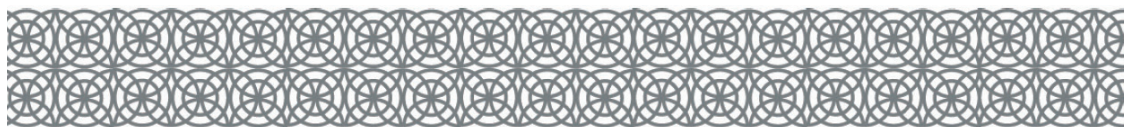




SUNDAY EVENING
Vespers



CONCLUDING THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

JANUARY 26, 2025 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.



Call to Preparation

Rev. Kurt Cooper

Prelude

*Lord with Glowing Heart
O Great God*

Arr. by Jack Schrader

† Call to Worship – 1 Timothy 3:16

Great indeed, we confess, is the mystery of godliness:

**He was manifested in the flesh,
vindicated by the Spirit,
seen by angels,
proclaimed among the nations,
believed on in the world,
taken up into glory.**

† Prayer of Invocation

† Hymn 69

For the Beauty of the Earth

DIX

Evening Prayer

Mr. Harmon

Prayer Response

The Lord's Prayer

MALOTTE

Our Fa - ther, which art in heav - en,
hal-low-ed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heav - en.
Give us this day our dai - ly bread,
and for - give us our debts as we for - give our debt - ors,
and lead us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - li - ver us from e - vil,
for Thine is the king - dom and the pow - er
and the glo - ry for - ev - er. A - men.

(After "The Lord's Prayer," 1st through 5th grade children are dismissed to attend their classes.)

Homily

RUTH

Rev. Michael Howell

IV. They All Lived Happily Ever After

Closing Prayer

The Lord's Supper

† Hymn of Preparation 357 *Amidst Us Our Beloved Stands*

HAMBURG

Invitation to and Fencing of the Table

Who should come to the Lord's table? Those who are displeased with themselves because of their sins, but who nevertheless trust that their sins are pardoned and that their remaining weakness is covered by the suffering and death of Christ, and who also desire more and more to strengthen their faith and to lead a better life, and who are members in good standing of an evangelical church. (from the Heidelberg Catechism)

† Confession of Our Faith – The Nicene Creed

**I 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 His 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 men, and for our salvation, came down from heaven;
And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost 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 sitteth on the right hand of the Father.
And He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead;
Whose Kingdom shall have no end.**

And I believe in the Holy Ghost; The Lord and Giver of Life;
Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son;
Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified;
Who spake by the prophets.

And I believe one holy catholic and apostolic church.
I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins.
And I look for the resurrection of the dead;
And the life of the world to come. AMEN.

Prayer of Humble Access

Words of Institution

Serving of the Meal

*Please partake of the elements as you receive them,
just as we must each receive Christ for our own salvation by faith.*

Prayer of Thanksgiving

† Hymn *His Mercy Is More* (see page 5)

† Benediction

† Benediction Response

Praise the Lord!
His mercy is more!
Stronger than darkness, new ev'ry morn,
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more!

Postlude *Variations on DIX*

His Mercy Is More



1. What love could re - mem - ber no wrongs we have done? Om -
2. What pa - tience would wait as we con - stant - ly roam? What
3. What rich - es of kind - ness He lav - ished on us. His



ni - scient, all know - ing, He counts not their sum. Thrown
Fa - ther, so ten - der, is call - ing us home? He
blood was the pay - ment; His life was the cost. We



in - to a sea with - out bot - tom or shore,
we - lcomes the weak - est, the vil - est, the poor.
stood 'neath a debt we could nev - er af - ford.



our sins, they are man - y; His mer - cy is more.

Refrain



Praise the Lord, His mer - cy is more. _____ Strong - er than dark - ness,

Repeat refrain last time



new ev - 'ry morn. Our sins, they are man - y; His mer - cy is more.

RUTH
IV. And They All Lived Happily Ever After
Ruth 4:1-22

- I. The Legal Resolution of the Problem: vv. 1-12
 - A. Witnesses are Summoned: vv. 1-2
 - B. The Case is Presented: vv. 3-5
 - C. The Offer is Declined: vv. 6-8
 - D. Witnesses are Charged: vv. 9-10
 - E. Blessing by the Witnesses: vv. 11-12
- II. The Joyful Resolution of the Problem: vv. 13-18
 - A. News of the Birth of a Son: v. 13
 - B. Reaction to the News: vv. 14-15
 - C. Response to the Birth: v. 16
 - D. Naming of the Son: v. 17
- III. The Royal Resolution of the Problem: vv. 18-22



LEADING IN WORSHIP

Rev. Kurt Cooper, *Senior Minister*

Rev. Michael Howell, *Assistant Minister*

Mrs. Shannon Mathai, *Asst. Director of Music & Pianist*

Mr. Bart Harmon, *Ruling Elder*

Mr. Chip Lasseter, *guitar*

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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