But as for me, it is good to be near God.

# **MORNING WORSHIP**

The Lord's Day, September 2, 2012 • 10:00 A.M.

# The Silent Meditation upon Entering the Sanctuary

He put on righteousness as His breastplate, and the helmet of salvation on His head.

~ Isaiah's description of God ~ the Divine Warrior ~ putting on His armor (59:17)

THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS [9:55 A.M.]

## **WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP**

\* THE PRELUDE "Hymn of Faith"

C.W. Gluck

THE STRIKING OF THE HOUR

THE GREETING

† THE ASCRIPTION OF PRAISE"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" BEECHER Love divine, all loves excelling, Joy of heav'n to earth come down:

Fix in us Thy humble dwelling, all Thy faithful mercies crown.

Jesus, Thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love Thou art;

Visit us with Thy salvation, enter ev'ry trembling heart.

† THE CALL TO WORSHIP

**Psalm** 115:1; 93:1

Mr. Howell

Minister: Not to us, O LORD, not to us, but to your name give glory, for the sake of your steadfast love and your faithfulness!

People: The LORD reigns, He is clothed with majesty; the LORD is clothed, He has girded Himself with strength. Surely the world is established, so that it cannot be moved.

† THE HYMN

"Forth in Thy Name"

**DUKE STREET** 

Forth in Thy name, O Lord, I go, My daily labor to pursue; Thee, only Thee, resolved to know, In all I think or speak or do. The task Thy wisdom hath assigned O let me cheerfully fulfill; In all my works Thy presence find, And prove Thy good and perfect will. Thee may I set at my right hand, Whose eyes my inmost substance see, And labor on at Thy command, And offer all my works to Thee. Give me to bear Thy easy yoke, And every moment watch and pray, And still to things eternal look, And hasten to Thy glorious day; For Thee delightfully employ Whate'er Thy bount'ous grace hath giv'n, And run my course with even joy, And closely walk with Thee to heav'n.

† THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND INVOCATION

#### † THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father Which art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

#### WE RETURN TO THE GOSPEL

THE RESPONSIVE READING

**Psalm 93**Page 818 in the **Trinity Hymnal** 

THE MORNING PRAYER

† THE HYMN No. 524 "Thy Works, Not Mine, O Christ"

**DARWALL** 

#### THE MORNING OFFERING

† The Meditation

Ephesians 2:8-9

For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; *it is* the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast.

The Anthem "Jesus, Thou Divine Companion" Joshua Leavitt Jesus, Thou divine Companion, By Thy lowly human birth Thou hast come to join the workers, Burden bearers of the earth. Thou, the Carpenter of Nazareth, Toiling for Thy daily food, By Thy patience and Thy courage, Thou hast taught us toil is good. They who tread the path of labor Follow where Thy feet have trod; They who work without complaining Do the holy will of God. Thou, the Peace that passeth knowledge, Dwellest in the daily strife; Thou, the Bread of heaven, broken In the sacrament of life. Every task, however simple, Sets the soul that does it free; Every deed of love and kindness Done to man is done to Thee. Jesus, Thou divine Companion, Help us all to do our best; Bless in our daily labor, Lead us to the Sabbath rest.

# **WE RECEIVE THE WORD**

THE PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

† THE SCRIPTURE LESSON Ephesians 6:10-13Page 1041 in the Pew Bible

† THE RESPONSE

All men are like grass and all their glory is like the flowers of the field.

The grass withers and the flowers fade,
but the Word of our God shall stand forever. Amen.

#### THE ORGAN INTERLUDE

Children aged four through kindergarten may leave to attend Children's Church.

# THE SERMON Mr. McRoberts

# SPIRITUAL WARFARE AND THE CHRISTIAN SOLDIER, IV

# **Ephesians** 6:10-20

#### INTRODUCTION

- I. THE PARADOX OF POWER
- II. THE VICTORY IN STANDING FIRM
- **III. THE DIVINE WARRIOR'S ARMOR**
- **IV. THE BELT OF TRUTH**

CONCLUSION

THE CLOSING PRAYER

#### **WE RESPOND IN FAITH**

#### THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The Words of Instruction and Exhortation

The Hymn No. 585 – "Take My Life, and Let It Be" [stanzas 1-4]

The Introduction of the Covenant Child and His Parents

Bradley Phillip Thomas, Jr.Drs. Lacey and Bradley P. Thomas, Sr.

- † The Confession of Our Faith Apostles' Creed [see inside front cover of hymnal]
- † The Covenant Vows

#### **Vows to the Parents**

- 1. Do you acknowledge Phillip's need of the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ, and the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit?
- 2. Do you claim God's covenant promises in his behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for his salvation, as you do your own?
- 3. Do you now unreservedly dedicate him to God, and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before him a godly example, that you will pray with and for him, that you will teach him the doctrines of our holy religion, and that you will strive, by all the means of God's appointment, to bring him up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?

# **Vow to the Congregation**

Do you as a congregation undertake the responsibility of assisting these parents in the Christian nurture of their child?

The Words of Institution

The Baptism Assisting Shepherd: Ruling Elder Jim Byram

**The Covenant Prayer** 

## **WE GO FORTH TO SERVE**

† THE DOXOLOGY OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

† THE BENEDICTION | 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24, 28

Minister: Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He Who calls you is faithful; He will surely do it. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you, until the day breaks and these shadows flee away.

**People: AMEN!** 

## † THE QUIET MEDITATION AND PERSONAL APPLICATION OF GOD'S WORD

Following the service the congregation is encouraged to greet the covenant family at the front of the church. Join them in their excitement, thanksgiving and anticipation of God's faithfulness to His covenant promises. Please use this time to assure these parents that you will indeed support them with prayer and encouragement, as a source of refuge and partnership, as well as an aid in instructing their child in the fear and admonition of the Lord.

THE POSTLUDE "Kyrie" from *Mass for the Parishes* Francois Couperin

† Indicates the congregation

The ministerial staff and other church leaders are available following the service

to pray with you or to answer your questions about the Christian faith and/or Trinity Presbyterian Church.

The sanctuary flowers this Lord's Day are given to the glory of God and in honor of Anna Catherine Thomas, great-grandmother of Bradley Phillip Thomas, Jr.

Join us as we conclude the Lord's Day in Worship
Simple, Reverent Worship
Sermon by Mr. Howell
"When God Declares War, Part 2"
Mark 1:21-39

<sup>\*</sup> Indicates seating times for those who are detained

### **WELCOME TO TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

We cordially welcome in Christ's name all who worship with Trinity Church this morning and evening. If you are new to Trinity, please sign the *Friendship Register* in the pew and speak to a minister at one of the doors at the close of the service. Audio enhancement units are available from an usher. Please use the Westminster Room as an annex for the morning service when the sanctuary is overcrowded, or if you need to worship in a smaller environment, the Spires Room is available. A nursery is available during all worship services. Our morning service is broadcast at 11 o'clock over WNZZ-AM 950. Services are available on CD; contact the Bookstore at 334-262-3935.

		IIS LORD'S DAY, September 2, 2012
The Lord's Day8:45 A.M.		
	10:00 A.M.	Morning Worship/Baptism
	6:00 P.M.	Evening Worship
	7:15 P.M.	Senior High Fellowship at the McRoberts' Home
FOR P	<b>PRAYER AND</b>	PARTICIPATION, September 3-8, 2012
Monday		Labor Day; Church Offices and Bookstore Close
Tuesday	6:45 A.M.	Prayer Breakfast in Trinity Hall
	5:30 P.M.	Quartet/Ladies' Ensemble Rehearsal in Choir Re
Wednesday	6:30 A.M.	Men's Search the Scriptures in the John Knox F
	7:00 A.M.	Men's Bible Study in the Westminster Room
	11:30 A.M.	Ministry to Youth Meeting in The Frith
	12 Noon	Ministry of Outreach Meeting in the John Knox
	12 Noon	<b>Stewardship Committee Meeting in Trinity Hall</b>
	5:00 P.M.	Relax • Church Family Supper
		Renew • Prayer, Sharing, Singing
	6:00 P.M.	Refresh • Something for Everyone
		Chancel Choir Rehearsal
	7:10 P.M.	Ministry of Administration Meeting
	7:10 P.M.	Stephen Committee Meeting
Thursday	11:30 A.M.	Working Solutions in Trinity Hall

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