

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

MORNING WORSHIP

The Lord's Day, May 26, 2013 ▪ 10:00 A.M.

The Silent Meditation upon Entering the Sanctuary

Here then is...the message. Two events (Christ's death and resurrection)

as attested by two witnesses (the Bible and historical witnesses to the resurrection),

on the basis of which God makes two promises (forgiveness and the Spirit),

on two conditions (repentance and faith) ...

We have no liberty to amputate this apostolic gospel.

~ John Stott, The Message of Acts, p. 81
per Tim Keller

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

* THE PRELUDE "Nimrod" Edward Edgar

THE STRIKING OF THE HOUR

† THE CALL TO WORSHIP *Isaiah 6:1-8* Mr. Howell

In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of His robe filled the temple. Above Him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory!" And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!" Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. And he touched my mouth and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for." And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for Us?" Then I said, "Here I am! Send me."

*† THE HYMN No. 710 "God of Our Fathers" NATIONAL HYMN

† 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.

THE PSALM OF ASCENT

Psalm 130 Page 833 in the *Trinity Hymnal*

THE MORNING PRAYER

† **THE HYMN** “Eternal Father, Strong to Save” [words on front cover]

THE MORNING OFFERING

The Christian Greeting

The Anthem “The Two Fatherlands” Cecil Spring-Rice

I vow to thee my country all earthly things above,
Entire and whole and perfect, the service of my love:
The love that asks no question, the love that stands the test,
That lays upon the altar the dearest and the best;
The love that never falters, the love that pays the price,
The love that makes undaunted the final sacrifice.
And there's another country I've heard of long ago
Most dear to them that love her, most great to them that know;
We may not count her armies, we may not see her King;
Her fortress is a faithful heart, her pride is suffering;
And soul by soul and silently her shining bounds increase,
And her ways are ways of gentleness and all her paths are
peace.

THE PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

† **THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON** Pages 968, 575, and 646 in the **Pew Bible**

Joel 2:28-32; Psalm 16:8-11; 110:1

† **THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON** *Portions of Acts 2:14-41* Page 1159 in the **Pew Bible**

† **THE RESPONSE:**

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

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

THE HYMN OF PREPARATION “How Firm a Foundation”

FOUNDATION

How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word!
What more can He say than to you He hath said,
To you, who for refuge to Jesus have fled?
“Fear not, I am with you, O be not dismayed,
For I am your God and will still give you aid;
I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand
Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand.”

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

*Following the worship service, please pick up your children from the
Children's Chapel in the Covenant Building (E-100).*

WITNESSING WITH POWER (V)
One Sermon • Three Thousand Saved!
VI. Exposition of Acts
Acts 2:14-41

INTRODUCTION

I. PETER'S METHOD ~ 2:14

A. He Stood.

B. He Enunciated Clearly.

C. He Explains.

II. PETER'S MESSAGE ~ 2:15-36

A. He Preaches Jesus' Life ~ v. 22

B. He Preaches Jesus' Death ~ v. 23

C. He Preaches Jesus' Resurrection ~ v. 24 (with 25-32)

**D. He Preaches Jesus' Ascension (Exaltation) ~ v. 33 (with
34-36)**

E. He Preaches with Urgency and Persistency ~ v. 36

III. PETER'S MANIFESTATION ~ vs. 37-40

A. The People's Reaction ~ v. 37

B. Peter's Counsel ~ vs. 38-40

CONCLUSION ~ v. 41

THE CLOSING PRAYER

† THE HYMN

"My Country 'Tis of Thee"

AMERICA

**My country, 'tis of thee, sweet land of liberty, of thee I sing:
Land where my fathers died, land of the pilgrims' pride,
From every mountain side let freedom ring!**

**My native country, thee, land of the noble free, thy name I love;
I love thy rocks and rills, thy woods and templed hills;
My heart with rapture thrills like that above.**

**Let music swell the breeze, and ring from all the trees, sweet
freedom's song:**

**Let mortal tongues awake, let all that breathe partake;
Let rocks their silence break, the sound prolong.**

**Our fathers' God, to Thee, Author of liberty, to Thee we sing:
Long may our land be bright with freedom's holy light;
Protect us by Thy might, Great God, our King!**

† THE CONFESSION OF OUR FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

[Inside front cover of the *Trinity Hymnal*]

† THE BENEDICTION

1 Thessalonians 5:13-15

Minister: Go forth into the world in peace; be of good courage; hold fast that which is good; render to no man evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak; heal the afflicted; honor all men; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit, preserve and keep you this day and forevermore.

People: AMEN!

† THE RESPONSE

“America, the Beautiful”

MATERNA

O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain,

For purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain!

America! America! God shed His grace on thee.

And crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea!

THE POSTLUDE “If Thou but Suffer God to Guide Thee”

J.S. Bach

* Indicates seating times for those who are detained

† Indicates the congregation stands

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

or Trinity Presbyterian Church.

THIS LORD'S DAY EVENING

May 26 • 6 o'clock in the Sanctuary

REMEMBRANCE SERVICE FOR OUR NATION'S FALLEN

Message by Chaplain (Colonel) Henry H. Beaulieu

Join us as we remember those who have made the ultimate sacrifice in service to our country. Patriotic organizations will present wreaths in memory of America's fallen service men and women from the colonial wars to the current conflicts in the Middle East. A massing of the colors by flag bearers in Revolutionary and modern military attire will commence the service. Favorite patriotic hymns will be sung and anthems by the Trinity Church Chancel Choir will be performed. The sound of the bagpipes playing “Flowers of the Forest” during the laying of the wreaths followed by the rendering of Taps rarely leaves a dry eye in the room. In a way to honor our service men and women who have given so much for our country, a collection will be taken for the Alabama National Guard Foundation (NGF), which is a private organization that helps soldiers/airmen and their families who are in need. The NGF has helped spouses travel to Walter Reed Medical Center to see their injured soldiers. It also helped a great number of soldiers and airmen who lost houses and loved ones during the tornado outbreak in Alabama in 2011. Some of our soldiers were actually in Afghanistan when their homes were destroyed in the tornados. It has also helped soldiers who have lost their homes to fire. Veterans and service men and women are invited to wear their service uniforms to the ceremony and members of patriotic societies may wear their

medals. Please invite visitors to join us tonight in honoring our nation's great heroes—the fallen.

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 Spires Room as an annex for the morning service when the sanctuary is overcrowded or if you need to worship in a smaller environment. A nursery is available during all worship services. Our morning service is broadcast at 11 o'clock over WNZZ-AM 950. Services on CD may be ordered through the Bookstore at 334-262-3935.

OUR CHURCH THIS LORD'S DAY, May 26, 2013

The Lord's Day 8:45 A.M. Sunday School
 10:00 A.M. Morning Worship
 6:00 P.M. Evening Worship

FOR PRAYER AND PARTICIPATION, May 27-June 1, 2013

Monday *Memorial Day*
Church Offices and Bookstore Closed

Tuesday 6:45 A.M. Prayer Breakfast in Trinity Hall
 5:30 P.M. Quartet/Ladies Ensemble Rehearsal

Wednesday 6:30 A.M. Men's *Search the Scriptures* in the John Knox Room
 7:00 A.M. Men's Bible Study/Breakfast in the Westminster Room

Thursday 9:30 A.M. VBS Teacher Workday in the Westminster Room

Trinity Church Ministry Focus of the Week

Those who have given their lives in the service of our country.

Missionary Focus of the Week

Dan and Dale Faber ~ IXO, Asia

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