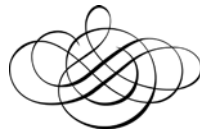


TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
Montgomery, Alabama

*Organized 1891 to the Glory of God*



**TRINITY SUNDAY**

*The Sunday after Pentecost has been celebrated  
in the Western Church since the tenth century.*

*From its earliest days the Church has understood  
that God has revealed Himself as both unity and diversity:  
three Persons, one God,  
same in substance, equal in power and glory.*

*Therefore, the doctrine of the Trinity  
is the centerpiece of Christian theology  
and a defining doctrine of orthodoxy.*

The Lord's Day, Trinity Sunday, June 15, 2014

# THE ORDER FOR MORNING WORSHIP

Trinity Sunday, June 15, 2014 ■ 9:00 A.M.

## The Silent Meditation upon Entering the Sanctuary

*Blessed Lord, Which hast caused all holy Scripture to be written for our learning; grant us that we may in such wise hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them; that by patience and comfort of Thy holy Word, we may embrace, and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which Thou hast given us in our Savior Jesus Christ.*  
 ~ Thomas Cranmer

◀ This morning the worshipper will notice that “The Meditation Upon Entering the Sanctuary” is also “The Prayer of Illumination.” Let the worshipper be mindful to submit himself to the Word of God: hear, read, mark, learn and inwardly digest the Word of God; and may he never let go of His only Hope, THE Word of God, Jesus Christ, Who is Love.

**The Welcome and Announcements** [8:55 A.M.]

### **The Prelude**

“I Call to Thee, Lord Jesus Christ”

J.S. Bach

Mr. James K. Atkins, *organ*

◀ Now let the worshippers use this time to pray, meditate, confess, and prepare for worship

### **The Striking of the Hour**

### † **The Ascription of Praise**

“All Creatures of Our God and King”

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Let all things their Creator bless, and worship Him in humbleness,  
 O praise Him, alleluia! Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,  
 And praise the Spirit, three in one,  
 O praise Him, O praise Him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

◀ One familiar stanza exalting God as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

### † **The Call to Worship**

*Ephesians 4:1-6*

Mr. Curles

I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call—one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

◀ Having entered His presence, we bow down and fall prostrate before Him Who is alone worthy.

### † **The Hymn No. 101** “Come, Thou Almighty King”

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◀ Come, Almighty King! One God, three Persons, and rain down upon us grace, mercy, and peace.

### † **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 Morning Prayer** ~ with Emphasis on the Triune God

**The Morning Offering**

The Christian Greeting

The Anthem

“Blessed Is the Man”

Jane Marshall

The Chancel Choir; Alice Williams, *directing*

Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly,  
Nor stands in the way of sinners,  
Nor sits in the seat of scoffers;  
But his delight is in the law of the Lord  
And on his law he meditates day and night.  
He is like a tree planted by streams of water.

◀ This morning’s anthem is taken from Psalm 1.

**The Prayer of Illumination** [unison]

**Blessed Lord, Which hast caused all holy Scripture to be written for our learning; grant us that we may in such wise hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them; that by patience and comfort of Thy holy Word, we may embrace, and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which Thou hast given us in our Savior Jesus Christ.**

◀ Written by martyr Thomas Cranmer (1489-1556), *The Book of Common Prayer, 1559.*

† **The Scripture Lesson**

*Acts 17:10-15*

<sup>10</sup>The brothers immediately sent Paul and Silas away by night to Berea, and when they arrived they went into the Jewish synagogue. <sup>11</sup>Now these Jews were more noble than those in Thessalonica; they received the word with all eagerness, examining the Scriptures daily to see if these things were so. <sup>12</sup>Many of them therefore believed, with not a few Greek women of high standing as well as men. <sup>13</sup>But when the Jews from Thessalonica learned that the word of God was proclaimed by Paul at Berea also, they came there too, agitating and stirring up the crowds. <sup>14</sup>Then the brothers immediately sent Paul off on his way to the sea, but Silas and Timothy remained there. <sup>15</sup>Those who conducted Paul brought him as far as Athens, and after receiving a command for Silas and Timothy to come to him as soon as possible, they departed.

◀ The reading of scriptures is performed by the minister as God’s servant. In it God is addressing the people of God.

† **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 Hymn of Preparation

“Speak, O Lord”

Speak, O Lord, as we come to you to re -  
 Teach us, Lord, full o - be - - di - ence, ho - ly  
 Speak, O Lord, and re - new our minds; help us

ceive the food of your ho - - - ly Word.  
 rev - - - er - ence, true hu - mil - - - i - ty.  
 grasp the heights of your plans\_\_\_ for us.

Take your truth, plant it deep\_\_\_ in us shape and  
 Test our thoughts and our at - - - ti - tudes in the  
 Truths un - changed from the dawn\_\_\_ of time, that will

fash - - - ion us in your like - - - ness, that the  
 ra - - - di - ance of your pu - - - ri - ty. Cause our  
 e - - - cho down through e - ter - - ni - ty. And by

light of Christ might be seen to - day in our  
 faith to rise, cause our eyes to see your ma -  
 grace we'll stand on your prom - is - es, and by

acts of love and our deeds of faith.  
 jes - - tic love and au - thor - i - - ty.  
 faith we'll walk as you walk with\_\_\_ us.

Speak, O Lord and ful - fill in us all your  
 Words of pow'r that can nev - - - er fail; let their  
 Speak, O Lord, till your church is built and the

pur - - - pos - es for your glo - - - ry.  
 truth pre - vail o - ver un - be - lief.  
 earth is filled with your glo - - - ry.

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◀ Children aged four through kindergarten 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).

## The Sermon

Mr. McRoberts

NOBLE-MINDED BEREANS  
*Acts 17:10-15*  
 XLVI. Exposition of Acts

### INTRODUCTION

- I. THE BEREAN RECEIVES THE WORD WITH EAGERNESS .
- II. THE BEREAN EXAMINES THE SCRIPTURES DAILY.
- III. THE BEREAN RESPONDS FAVORABLY.

### CONCLUSION

◀ "The preaching of the Word of God is the Word of God." This statement is taken from the Second Helvetic Confession, written in 1566. It demonstrates the Reformer's understanding of the role and nature of preaching. They were convinced that God speaks to us through His Word and by His Spirit. We believe, as they did, that the faithful exposition and application of God's Word is essential to the life, health, and growth of the church. It is for this reason that we are committed to feed the flock of God among us by a regular diet of systematic expository preaching.

## The Receiving of New Members and the Sacrament of Baptism

*The Words of Instruction and Exhortation*

*The Hymn No. 131* “Children of the Heavenly Father” [st. 1-5] Swedish Melody

*The Introduction of the Covenant Children and Their Parents*

Lauren McKenzie Babcock

Ms Sheila Babcock

Anna Sofia Johnson

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Johnson (Linda)

† *The Confession of Our Faith*

*The Apostles' Creed*

† *The Covenant Vows*

*Vows for Membership*

Ms Sheila Babcock

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Farris (Marybeth)

Mrs. Gary Johnson (Linda), Daniel and Joel Johnson

*Vows of the Parents*

*Vow of the Congregation*

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

*The Baptisms*

*Assisting Shepherd:* Ruling Elder Bradley P. Thomas

*The Prayer of God's Grace and Covenant Promises*

† *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

*Numbers 6:24-26*

Minister: The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make His face shine upon you, and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up His countenance upon you, and give you peace ... until the day breaks and all these shadows flee away.

People: **AMEN!**

### † The Choral Response

“The Lord Bless You and Keep You”  
Peter Lutkin

### † The Postlude

Sigfrid Karg-Elert

Chorale Improvisation on “Now Thank We All Our God”

† Indicates standing as able

The sanctuary flowers this Lord's Day are given to the glory of God  
and in loving memory of  
Dr. Robert Strong  
by the members of the Robert Strong Bible Class.

◀ Today we worship in Word and sacrament. It is our privilege to see with our eyes the promises of God.

◀ Inside front cover of the *Trinity Hymnal*. We confess together our common faith with saints from early Christendom.

◀ Nothing in all of life is more sacred than a vow made to God and before His people.

◀ This choral response is from Numbers 6:24-26. It is God's blessing to Israel spoken through Aaron, often called the “Aaronic blessing.” The “Amen” that follows is a sevenfold Amen.

◀ Following the service the congregation is encouraged to greet the covenant families 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 be there for them in prayer, with encouragement, as a source of refuge and partnership, as well as an aid in instructing their children in the fear and admonition of the Lord.

**Evening Worship**  
**Closing the Lord's Day Together**  
**June 15, 2014 • 6 o'clock**

**Opening Scripture** ~ *Psalm 146:1-2*

Mr. McRoberts

Praise the LORD!  
Praise the LORD, O my soul!  
I will praise the LORD as long as I live;  
I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

**Gathering Hymn of Praise No. 57** – “Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah, O My Soul”

**Prayer Seeking the Nearness of God**

**Testimonies of God's Grace**

Mr. Chet Moeller  
Mr. Spears Griffin

**Hymn of Hope in Christ No. 18** – “Christ, of All My Hopes the Ground” ’

**Homily**

“Squeezing through the Needle's Eye”  
*Luke 19:1-10*

Mr. Cooper

III. Close Encounters: *Meeting God Where You Are*

**Quiet Meditation for Reflection on the Sermon, this Worship Service,  
and the Lord's Day**

**Closing Hymn No. 642** — “Be Thou My Vision”

**Benediction** ~ *Ephesians 3:20-21*

Minister: Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever.

People: **AMEN**



◀ Children in first through fifth grades leave to attend their classes during the singing of the last stanza.

## WELCOME

Welcome to the family of Trinity Presbyterian Church!  
We believe that the Lord has a purpose in bringing you here today,  
and we extend to you a genuine greeting as you worship with us.

*Everyone is encouraged to sign the Friendship Registers  
at the center aisle end of the pews.*

The Westminster Room is set up to provide overflow seating  
for each Lord's Day morning worship services.

Please use this seating when the sanctuary is overcrowded.

The Spires Room is available for those who have special worship needs.

If you are new to Trinity, please speak to a minister at one of the doors  
at the close of the service and inform him.

To find out more about the many opportunities  
to serve and learn at Trinity, please visit our website, [www.trinitypca.org](http://www.trinitypca.org).

Audio enhancement units are available from an usher in the Narthex.

Our morning service is broadcast over WNZZ AM 950 at 11:00 a.m.  
in the metropolitan area and on iHeart Radio on the internet.

Archived sermons may be heard at any time on our website: [www.trinitypca.org](http://www.trinitypca.org).

Complimentary childcare is provided for all worship services.

### JUICE • PASTRIES • PHOTOGRAPHS

Join us for refreshments on the Colonnade  
following Morning Worship and before Sunday School.

*Drop by the Parlor to have a current photo  
taken for the new church pictorial directory.*

### FRIENDS AND FAMILY BARBECUE LUNCH AND FELLOWSHIP

The Lord's Day, June 22  
following Morning Worship  
Trinity Hall

INVITE A FRIEND!

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK**  
**OUR CHURCH THIS LORD'S DAY, June 15, 2014**

**The Lord's Day**

- 9:00 A.M. Morning Worship  
New Member Introductions/Baptisms  
10:00 A.M. Juice and Pastries on the Colonnade  
10:00 A.M. Directory Photos in the Parlor  
10:30 A.M. Sunday School  
6:00 P.M. Evening Worship

**FOR PRAYER AND PARTICIPATION THIS WEEK**

**Monday, June 16**

- Youth Choir Returns from Tour*  
11:30 A.M. Finance Committee Meeting  
12 Noon Men's Bible Study Lunch in the Spires Room

**Tuesday, June 17**

- 6:45 A.M. Prayer Breakfast in Trinity Hall

**Wednesday, June 18**

- 6:30 A.M. Men's *Search the Scriptures* in the John Knox Room  
7:00 A.M. Men's Bible Study in the Westminster Room  
4:00 P.M. Ministry of Shepherding in the John Knox Room  
5:00 P.M. Ultimate Wednesdays for Youth at Vaughn Road Park  
5:45 P.M. Diaconate Meeting in the John Knox Room

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**Trinity Church Prayer Focus:**

*42<sup>nd</sup> Annual PCA General Assembly ~ Houston, Texas*

**Missionary Prayer Focus of the Week:**

*Will Horner ~ USA Special Olympics New Jersey, June 14-21, 2014*

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**Our Purpose:** To exalt Christ in metropolitan Montgomery by dynamic and faithful worship, aggressive evangelism both at home and abroad, teaching the Word of God, and equipping members to minister to the spiritual needs of our church and community.

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