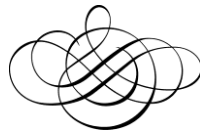


TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Montgomery, Alabama

Organized 1891 to the Glory of God



The Lord's Day, July 6, 2014

THE ORDER FOR MORNING WORSHIP

July 6, 2014 ■ 9:00 A.M.

The Silent Meditation upon Entering the Sanctuary

O God, Whose name is excellent in all the earth, and Your glory above the heavens; Who at this time did inspire and direct the hearts of our delegates in Congress to lay the foundations of our national peace, liberty, and safety; we bless and adore Your glorious majesty for all Your loving kindness manifested towards this land and people; and we humbly beseech You to continue Your goodness to us, that the heritage received from our fathers may be preserved in our time, and be transmitted unimpaired to the generations to come; that all nations of the earth may know that You, O Lord, are our Saviour and Mighty Deliverer, and our King for ever. Grant this, we beseech You, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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

The Prelude “Faith of Our Fathers” arr. Lani Smith

The Striking of the Hour

† **The Ascription of Praise** “God of Our Fathers” NATIONAL HYMN

God of our fathers, Whose almighty hand
Leads forth in beauty all the starry band
Of shining worlds in splendor through the skies,
Our grateful songs before Thy throne arise.
Thy love divine hath led us in the past;
In this free land by Thee our lot is cast;
Be Thou our ruler, guardian, guide, and stay;
Thy Word our law, Thy paths our chosen way.

† **The Call to Worship** Mr. Howell

Minister: Our help is in the name of the Lord, Who made heaven and earth.

People: The Lord is near to all who call upon Him, to all who call upon Him in truth.

Minister: God is good.

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◀ Each worshipper is greeted by a minister on behalf of the church. This warm greeting followed by brief announcements, is an initial call to begin final preparations for worship.

◀ God is always more ready to receive us than we are to seek Him. He waits to be gracious to you! (Isaiah 30:18)

† **The Hymn No. 81** “O Love of God, How Strong and True” JERUSALEM

† **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 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 Individual’s Silent Prayer of Confession

The Assurance of Pardon

Hear now the comforting words of the Gospel: The Lord is full of compassion; slow to anger, and of great mercy. The Lord is good to all; and His tender mercies are over all His works. The Lord is near to all that call upon Him, to all that call upon Him in truth. He will fulfill the desire of those that fear Him; He also will hear their cry and save them.

The Morning Prayer

The Litany for the Nation

O God the Father, Who governs the nations upon the earth:

Be merciful to us.

Remember not, O Lord, the offenses of Your people, our manifold transgressions and our national sins; deal not with us after our sins, neither reward us according to our wickedness:

Spare us, Father of Mercies.

From blindness of heart, from love of ease, from contentment with the second best, from failure to do the good that was in the heart of our fathers and for which they prepared the way:

Save Your people, Lord.

From presumptuous sins, from pride of possession, from vainglorious boastings, from national hypocrisies:

Save Your people, Lord.

◀ Opening hymns are typically joyous hymns. We remind ourselves of all the reasons we have to praise our God.

◀ The focus of this prayer is not petition, but magnifying and glorifying the being and work of God. We invoke (i.e., appeal for) God’s presence, which He promises.

◀ Almighty God has promised forgiveness of sin to everyone who turns to Him in true repentance and faith. If you have received Christ as He is freely offered in the Gospel, are resting in Him alone for salvation, and are resolved to live in obedience to Christ, then your sins are forgiven. Receive this Good News by faith and believe it!

◀ A litany is a series of petitions followed with congregational responses.

From the covetousness which is idolatry, from false bargaining and ruthless competition, and from all the service of mammon and the worship of wealth:

Save Your people, Lord.

From obsession with our own prejudice, bigotries, and antagonism:

Save Your people, Lord.

From failure to take into account the needs of others, from living unto ourselves alone, and from putting our trust in our own strength when our trust should be in You:

Save Your people, Lord.

That we may hallow Your name, that we may seek first Your kingdom and Your righteousness; and that, as You give us to know Your will, so we may do it:

We beseech You to hear us, Good Lord.

That we may be mindful of the poor and the oppressed among us; that we may bring up the children of the nation in Your faith and fear:

We beseech You to hear us, Good Lord.

That we make choice of just legislators and faithful counselors, who with a godly spirit may enact always things just, and things wise, and things merciful:

We beseech You to hear us, Good Lord.

Almighty God, Who turns the heart of the fathers to their children, and the heart of the children to their fathers: receive, we pray You, our unfeigned thanks for the good land which You have given us. Forgive our transgressions; cleanse us from things that defile our national life, and grant that this people, which You have abundantly blessed, may keep Your commandments, walk in Your ways, and fear You. Be gracious to our times, that by Your bounty both national quietness and Christian devotion may be duly maintained. Let Your work appear unto Your servants, and Your glory unto their children; and let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us and establish the work of our hands upon us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Morning Offering

The Welcome and Greeting

The Anthem "From Sea to Shining Sea"

Text: Katherine Lee Bates

Music: Samuel Ward; arr. Maurice Whitney

The Prayer of Illumination

† **The Scripture Lesson**

James 4:13-17

† **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.**

◀ In 1 Corinthians 16:2 Paul says: "On the first day of every week, each of you is to put something aside and store it up, as he may prosper...." This practice of collecting was continued as a regular part of public worship. Justin Martyr, around A.D. 150 describes such a collection. The collection is both for the maintenance of the church and for the care of those in need, and it affirms that we are stewards, not owners, of God's good gifts. We also praise God in song for His goodness towards us all the time.

◀ Page 1291 in the Pew Bible.

The Hymn No. 672 “Trust and Obey” TRUST AND OBEY

The Sermon WHAT IS GOD’S WILL? (*Part 3*) Mr. Curles

† **The Confession of Our Faith** *The Apostles’ Creed*

† **The Hymn No. 599** “Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us” SHEPHERD

† **The Benediction**

† **The Choral Response** “A Prayer of St. Patrick” John Rutter

† **The Postlude** “Trumpet Tune” Martha Sobaje

† Indicates standing as able

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 and Spires Rooms are set up to provide overflow seating for each Lord’s Day morning worship services. Please use this seating when the sanctuary is overcrowded or you 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. 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. Complimentary childcare is provided for all worship services.

◀ Children aged four through kindergarten leave for **Children’s Church**. Following the worship service, please pick up your children from the Children’s Chapel in the Covenant Building (E-100).

◀ Inside front cover of the *Trinity Hymnal*.

LORD'S DAY VESPERS

CONCLUDING THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP ■ 6:00

Gathering Hymn No. 400

“O Bless Our God with One Accord”

OLD HUNDREDTH

Prayer of Adoration

Mr. Howell

Hymn Medley

“Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy”

Come, ye sinners, poor and needy,
Weak and wounded sick and sore;
Jesus ready stands to save you,
Full of pity love and power.

*Refrain: I will arise and go to Jesus;
He will embrace me in His arms;
In the arms of my dear Savior,
O, there are ten thousand charms.*

Come, ye thirsty, come, and welcome,
God's free bounty glorify;
True belief and true repentance,
Every grace that brings you nigh. *Refrain.*

Let not conscience make you linger,
Nor of fitness fondly dream;
All the fitness He requireth
Is to feel your need of Him. *Refrain.*

Come, ye weary, heavy laden,
Lost and ruined by the fall;
If you tarry till you're better,
You will never come at all. *Refrain.*

“The Gospel Song”

Holy God, in love, became
Perfect Man to bear my blame;
On the cross He took my sin,
By His death I live again. [Repeat]

Hymn No. 562

“All to Jesus I Surrender”

SURRENDER

Reading of God's Word ~ *Exodus 3:13—4:17*

◀ Page 59 in the Pew Bible.

Hymn No. 561 “Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak” CANONBURY

◀ Children are dismissed to attend their classes.

Homily Mr. Cooper

EXCUSES, EXCUSES

Exodus 3:13—4:17

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

Benediction

Closing Response No. 405 “God, That Madest Earth and Heaven” [st. 1, 3]
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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, July 27, 11:30 a.m.
Trinity Hall

INVITE A FRIEND!

WEAR YOUR NEW NAME TAG!

PATHWAY CLASS

A class for anyone interested in joining or learning more about Trinity Church will be held on the Lord's Day, August 24. This class will begin at 8:30 a.m. with a break at 10:45 for worship. Lunch will be provided with the closing class following. For reservations or additional information, contact Lea McLendon at 334-262-3892 or lmclendon@trinitypca.org.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK
OUR CHURCH THIS LORD'S DAY, July 6, 2014

The Lord's Day

- 9:00 A.M. Morning Worship
10:00 A.M. Juice and Pastries on the Colonnade
10:00 A.M. Photos Made in the Parlor
10:30 A.M. Sunday School
6:00 P.M. Evening Worship
No Senior High Fellowship

FOR PRAYER AND PARTICIPATION THIS WEEK

Monday, July 7

- Senior High RYM* [July 7-12]
12 Noon Men's Bible Study in the Spires Room

Tuesday, July 8

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

Wednesday, July 9

- 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
12 Noon Ministry of Worship/Music in the John Knox Room
5:30 P.M. Ministry to Adults Meeting in the John Knox Room
5:30 P.M. Missions Executive Committee Meeting

Trinity Church Prayer Focus

Senior High RYM at Laguna Beach, Florida (July 7-12)

Missionary Prayer Focus of the Week:

Covenant College

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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MINISTRY STAFF**

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