# THE ORDER FOR MORNING WORSHIP

August 3, 2014 • 9:00 A.M.

# The Silent Meditation upon Entering the Sanctuary

The authenticating, inner essence of worship is being satisfied with Christ, prizing Christ, cherishing Christ, treasuring Christ. It encompasses all of life that flows from the heart. But it is tremendously relevant for understanding what worship services should be about. They are about "going hard after God." When we say that what we do on Sunday mornings is to "go hard after God," what we mean is that we are going hard after satisfaction in God, and going hard after God as our prize, and going hard after God as our treasure, our soul-food, our heart-delight, our spirit's pleasure. Or to put Christ in His rightful place—it means that we are going hard after all that God is for us in Jesus Christ, crucified and risen.

~ John Piper

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

**The Prelude** Improvisation on "Be Thou My Vision" Hymntune SLANE Edward M. Patterson, Organist-Choirmaster Emeritus

The Striking of the Hour

† The Call to Worship Ephesians 3:20-21

Mr. Howell

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. Amen.

†The Hymn No. 92

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

† 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.

▼ This glorious doxology forms the closing words of a prayer of the apostle Paul, and in them he commends himself and the Ephesians into the care and service of the living God. Ephesus was a center for occult activity. Local Christians had to live their entire lives beneath the shadow of magic ritual and superstition. Parents had to raise their children in this culture. And Paul prays for them, pointing them away from idol-infested Ephesus to the living God, "to Him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think."

# The Scripture Lesson

Acts 19:8-20

◀ Page 1180 in the Pew Bible.

# The Morning Prayer

The Hymn No. 469

"How Sweet and Awesome Is the Place"

# The Morning Offering

The Christian Greeting

The Anthem "Keep Your Lamps!"

arr. Andre Thomas

Steve Lee, directing; Karen Lee, conga drums

Keep your lamps trimmed and burning, the time is drawing nigh.
Children, don't grow weary 'til your work is done.
Children, journey soon be over, the time is drawing nigh.
Keep your lamps trimmed and burning, the time is drawing nigh.

### The Interlude

## The Prayer Invoking the Help of the Holy Spirit

# The Hymn of Preparation

"Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus"

Turn your eyes upon Jesus, Look full in His wonderful face; And the things of earth will grow strangely dim In the light of His glory and grace.

Turn your eyes upon Jesus, Look full in His wonderful face; And the things of earth will grow strangely dim In the light of His glory and grace. ◀ There are two main prayers in the service. The opening prayer focuses upon the adoration and praise of God as well as the invoking of His eternal presence with us. The central pastoral prayer is found in the "morning prayer" which includes confession of sin, expression of gospel confidence of pardoning grace, thanksgiving, and various petitions.

- ◆ 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).
- ← "... satisfied with Christ, prizing Christ, cherishing Christ, treasuring Christ ... going hard after all that God is for us in Jesus Christ, crucified and risen." 

  ∼ John Piper

# SPIRITUAL AWAKENING IN EPHESUS Acts 19:8-20 LI. Exposition of Acts

INTRODUCTION: REVIVAL IS A WORK OF GOD'S SPIRIT

- I. Revival Comes Through the Preaching and Teaching of God's Word  $\sim$  vs. 8-17
  - A. PAUL'S COMMITMENT TO TEACHING ~ v. 8
  - B. OPPOSITION TO PAUL'S TEACHING ~ v. 9
  - C. PAUL MOVES ON  $\sim$  v. 9C
  - D. PAUL'S TEACHING IS SUPPORTED WITH MIRACLES ~ vs. 10-17
- II. REVIVAL, THOUGH COSTLY, HAS A LASTING EFFECT ~ vs. 18-20
  - A. THE SOUL IS AWAKENED ~ vs. 18-19
    - 1. Believers confess and tell their deeds.
    - 2. Unbelievers turn from their wicked, pagan ways.
  - B. The Church Grows  $\sim v.20$

**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 Commissioning of Missionaries

The Introduction of the Team

Caroline Clark and Sarah Moseley

The Explanation and Goals of the Trip

The Commissioning Vows

- Do you believe in One God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—and do you confess anew the Lord Jesus Christ as your Savior and Lord and acknowledge Him Head over all things to the Church, which is His body?
- 2. Do you believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the Word of God, the only infallible rule of faith and practice?
- 3. Have you concluded in good conscience, as far as you know in your own heart, that you do seek the position of a servant on this mission work out of love to God and a sincere desire to promote His glory in the Gospel of His Son?
- 4. Do you promise to perform faithfully all the duties given you in this mission project, as unto the Lord?

† The Prayer of Commitment

†The Hymn of Consecration

"It Is Well with My Soul"

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way, When sorrows like sea billows roll; Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say, "It is well, it is well with my soul."

Refrain:
It is well with my soul;

It is well with my soul.

It is well, it is well with my soul.

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,
Let this blest assurance control,
That Christ has regarded my helpless estate,
And has shed His own blood for my soul. Refrain.

My sin—O the bliss of this glorious thought!—
My sin, not in part, but the whole,
Is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more;
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! Refrain.

O Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight,
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll,
The trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend,
"Even so"—it is well with my soul. Refrain.

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

★ The congregation will gather (as able) in one large circle on the floor of the sanctuary for the purpose of setting Caroline and Sarah apart for missionary service. God calls; the Church sends; the Son intercedes; the Holy Spirit fills, encourages, protects, and goes before these servants.

† The Benediction

1 Thessalonians 5:23-24, 28

Minister:

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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 all these shadows flee away.

People: Amen!

## † The Congregational Response

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father; There is no shadow of turning with Thee; Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not; As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.

Great is Thy faithfulness!
Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see:
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided—
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me! [3X]

The Postlude

Toccata on "I Greet Thee Who My Sure Redeemer Art"

Gerhard Krapf

† Indicates standing as able

The sanctuary flowers this Lord's Day are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Dr. Harry Jackson Till by his family.

#### 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.

# WORSHIP SCHEDULE BEGINNING AUGUST 10

Morning Worship ... 8:30 and 11:00 o'clock Sunday School ... 9:45 a.m. Evening Worship ... 6 o'clock

# LORD'S DAY EVENING SERVICE

# CONCLUDING THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP 6:00 P.M.

## Scripture Calls Us to Worship

I Timothy 2:1-6

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, Who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God, and there is one Mediator between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus, Who gave Himself as a ransom for all, which is the testimony given at the proper time.

Hymn No. 679

"Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus"

Prayer Invoking the Presence of Our Heavenly Father

Scripture Reminds Us of God's Purposes ~ II Corinthians 1:3-11

Hymns Reinforce God's Purposes and Give Us Peace

**Evening Prayer** 

**Quiet Meditation** 

Homily Mr. Cooper

ELIJAH'S CLOSE ENCOUNTER I Kings 17:1-16

VIII. Close Encounters: Meeting God Where You Are

Introduction

I. Elijah's Confidence

II. Elijah's Call

III. Elijah's Campout

IV. Elijah's Company

Conclusion

# **Spiritual Song of Commitment**

"Steadfast Love of the Lord"

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases.

His mercies never come to an end.

They are new every morning, new every morning.

Great is Thy faithfulness, O Lord.

Great is Thy faithfulness. [2X]

Benediction

Ephesians 3:20-21

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. Amen.

Preparation • Reflection Greeting • Prayer

At 5:45 the congregation is invited to gather in the Sanctuary for prelude music. While this time is meant for personal prayer and preparation for worship, it is also a time to greet one another in Christ. Also at 5:45 there is a brief time of payer in the Westminster Room with the ministers to pray for the worship service. All are invited and welcome to attend.

✓ Page 1225 in the Pew Bible.

← Children in grades 1-5 are dismissed to attend their classes.

# OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK OUR CHURCH THIS LORD'S DAY, August 3, 2014

### The Lord's Day

9:00 A.M. Morning Worship

10:00 A.M. Photos Taken in the Parlor

10:30 A.M. Sunday School

4:30 P.M. Training for Children and Youth Volunteers

in the Westminster Room

6:00 P.M. Evening Worship

7:00 P.M. Senior High Fellowship at the Home of the Coopers

### FOR PRAYER AND PARTICIPATION THIS WEEK

### Monday, August 4

12 Noon Men's Bible Study in the Spires Room

Tuesday, August 5

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

### Wednesday, August 6

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 11:30 A.M. Ministry to Youth Meeting in The Frith

12 Noon Ministry of Outreach Meeting in the John Knox Room

5:30 P.M. Ministry of Administration Meeting

### **Trinity Church Prayer Focus:**

Children and young people as they prepare to return to school

### Missionary Prayer Focus of the Week:

Trinity members being sent out to a sensitive area of the world

### ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES ADDED

Drop by the Parlor August 3 and 10 to have a current photo taken for the new church pictorial directory.

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