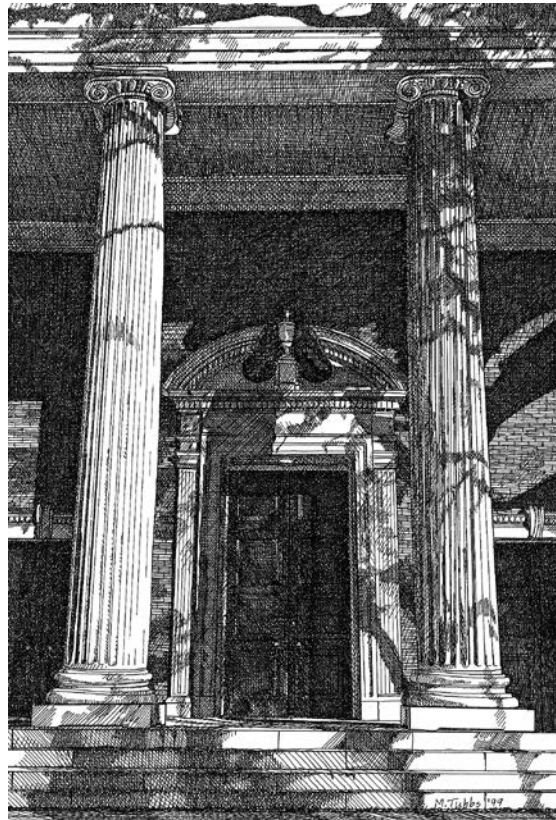
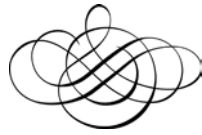


TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Montgomery, Alabama



The Lord's Day, August 17, 2014

THE ORDER FOR MORNING WORSHIP

August 17, 2014 ■ 8:30 and 11:00 A.M.

The Silent Meditation upon Entering the Sanctuary

It takes a lot of courage (and sound thinking) to stand firm
when the majority are going the other way.
But it is only the people who stand up against the crowd who make a difference.
The world is never changed by the majority;
the world is changed by a minority who “hear a different drummer.”
Christians listen to a different Spirit and in the Holy Spirit’s way.
~ James Montgomery Boice

For further meditation, see also Isaac Watts’ great hymn,
"Am I a Soldier of the Cross" (*Trinity Hymnal*, page 573)

The Welcome and Announcements [8:25 and 10:55 A.M.]

The Prelude “We Pray Now to the Holy Spirit” Buxtehude

◀ Please use this time to pray, meditate, confess, and prepare for worship.

The Striking of the Hour

† **The Ascription of Praise** “Crown Him with Many Crowns”

Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon His throne;
Hark! how the heav’nly anthem drowns all music but its own:
Awake, my soul, and sing of Him Who died for thee,
And hail Him as thy matchless King through all eternity.
Crown Him the Lord of love; behold His hands and side,
Rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified:
No angel in the sky can fully bear that sight,
But down-ward bends His burning eye at mysteries so bright

◀ The Ascription is typically one or two stanzas of a familiar, exalting hymn of praise.

† **The Call to Worship** Mr. Howell

Minister: Oh, magnify the Lord with me,
People: And let us exalt His name together!
Minister: What shall I render to the LORD for all His benefits to me?
People: I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD.
Minister: Lord, have mercy!
People: Christ, have mercy!
Minister: The Lord Almighty is with us; the living God is our Fortress!

◀ Those who desire to worship God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him (Hebrews 11:6).

† **The Hymn No. 710** “God of Our Fathers”

† 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 Corporate Prayer of Confession [minister only]

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ, the Light of the world. Amen.

The Individual's Silent Prayer of Confession

The Assurance of Pardon

Child of God, be comforted and hear the good tidings of the Gospel: The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in lovingkindness. He has not dealt with us according to our sins, nor rewarded us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is His lovingkindness toward those who fear Him. As far as the east is from the west, so far has He removed our transgressions from us. Believe the Gospel and live in peace.

The Morning Prayer

Mr. McRoberts

The Hymn No. 501

“Just As I Am, without One Plea” [stanzas 1-3, 6]

◀ We come boldly into the presence of God because of our great Mediator. In this first prayer we are by all accounts beseeking Him to be present in our worship of Him.

◀ Having entered the presence of God in adoration and thanksgiving, we are reminded afresh of our own sinfulness, and we quickly acknowledge our shortcomings and failures.

◀ We are reminded of the redeeming, pardoning grace of our heavenly Father.

◀ Although the minister offers the prayer, it is a prayer of the people, and all worshippers should pray along with him in their hearts, adding personal petitions when appropriate.

The Morning Offering

The Christian Greeting

The Anthem “My Shepherd Will Supply My Need” arr. Virgil Thompson

My Shepherd will supply my need: Jehovah is His Name;
In pastures fresh He makes me feed, beside the living stream.
He brings my wandering spirit back when I forsake His ways,
And leads me, for His mercy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.

When I walk through the shades of death, Thy presence is my stay;
A word of Thy supporting breath drives all my fears away.
Thy hand, in sight of all my foes, doth still my table spread;
My cup with blessings overflows, Thine oil anoints my head.

The sure provisions of my God attend me all my days;
O may Thy house be my abode, and all my work be praise!
There would I find a settled rest, while others go and come;
No more a stranger, nor a guest, but like a child at home.

The Prayer of Illumination

† The Old Testament Lesson

Isaiah 44:9-22

† The New Testament Lesson

Acts 19:21-41

† 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

“As the Hart Longs”

As the hart longs for flowing streams,
So longs my soul for Thee, O God.
My soul does thirst for the living God;
When shall I come to see Thy face?

The Sermon

Mr. McRoberts

“THE WORK OF THE HOLY SPIRIT IN EPHESUS, II”

Acts 19:21-41

LII. Exposition of Acts

◀ What do we have that we did receive? All good gifts come from our Father in Heaven, Who does not change like shifting shadows.

◀ A prayer for the reading and preaching of the Word of God to be powerful and effective.

◀ Page 769 in the Pew Bible.

◀ Page 1181 in the Pew Bible.

◀ The people are reminded that while all their “glory” will one day fail and pass away, the truth of God’s Word is forever.

◀ 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).

◀ Biblical preaching strives for the one meaning to the text while making modern-day application to the hearer.

The Receiving of New Members [11:00]

The Introductions

Mr. and Mrs. G. Houston Waring V (Tami)

† *The Confession of Our Faith*

The Apostles' Creed

† *The Vows for Membership*

† *The Prayer of Commitment*

◀ Inside front cover of the *Trinity Hymnal*

† The Hymn

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

Come, Thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet sung by flaming tongues above;
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of Thy redeeming love.

Here I raise mine Ebenezer; hither by Thy help I'm come;
And I hope by Thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wand'ring from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger, interposed His precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!
Let Thy goodness like a fetter, bind my wand'ring heart to Thee:
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for Thy courts above.

O that day when freed from sinning I shall see Thy lovely face,
Clothèd then in white-washed linen, how I'll sing Thy sovereign grace!
Come, my Lord, no longer tarry, take my ransomed soul away,
Send Thine angels now to carry me to realms of endless day.

† The Charge

And now, 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.

† The Benediction

Minister: Now may the God of peace sanctify you wholly. And may your spirit and soul and body be kept sound and blameless at the coming of our Lord, Jesus Christ. He Who calls you is faithful, and He will do it. The grace of our Lord Jesus be with you.

People: **AMEN!**

◀ The worshippers are invited (even encouraged) to turn their palms upward and empty before God as a physical expression of accepting God's blessing upon them.

† The Quiet Meditation and Application of God's Word

† The Postlude

Trumpet Tune #1

Harald Rohlig

† Indicates standing as able

LORD'S DAY EVENING SERVICE

CONCLUDING THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP

6:00 P.M.

Scripture Calls Us to Worship ~ *Revelation 4*

Mr. McRoberts

◀ Page 1313 in the Pew Bible.

Hymn – “O Love That Will Not Let Me Go”

O Love that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in Thee;
I give Thee back the life I owe,
That in Thine ocean depths its flow may richer, fuller be.

O Light that followest all my way, I yield my flickering torch to Thee;
My heart restores its borrowed ray,
That in Thy sunshine's blaze its day may brighter, fairer be.

O Joy that seekest me through pain, I cannot close my heart to Thee;
I trace the rainbow through the rain,
And feel the promise is not vain, that morn shall tearless be.

O Cross that liftest up my head, I dare not ask to fly from Thee;
I lay in dust life's glory dead,
And from the ground there blossoms red life that shall endless be.

Prayer Invoking the Presence of God

Scripture Reminds Us of Our Worthy Savior ~ *Revelation 5*

◀ Page 1314 in the Pew Bible.

Hymn Medley

No. 172 – “Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder”
“I Will Glory in My Redeemer”

◀ Music by Steve and Vikki
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“There Is a Redeemer”

There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God’s own Son;
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.

*Refrain: Thank You, O my Father
For giving us Your Son
And leaving Your Spirit
Till the work on earth is done.*

Jesus, my Redeemer, name above all names,
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah,
O for sinners slain. *Refrain.*

When I stand in glory, I will see His face;
There I’ll serve my King forever
In that holy place. *Refrain.*

Evening Prayer

Mr. Bart Harmon

◀ Page 1311 in the Pew Bible.

Scripture Ministers to Us by the Spirit ~ Revelation 2

Interlude

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

Homily

Mr. Howell

CHURCHES JESUS KNOWS
Revelation 2
II. Exposition of Revelation

Introduction

- I. Jesus Knows a Slipping Church: vv. 1-7
- II. Jesus Knows a Suffering Church: vv. 8-11
- III. Jesus Knows a Surrounded Church: vv. 12-17
- IV. Jesus Knows a Seduced Church: vv. 18-29

Conclusion:

Hymn Concluding the Lord’s Day

No. 405 ~ “God that Madest Earth and Heaven”

Benediction



OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK
OUR CHURCH THIS LORD'S DAY, August 17, 2014

The Lord's Day

- 8:30 A.M. Early Morning Worship
- 9:30 A.M. Photographs Taken in the Parlor for Pictorial Directory
- 9:45 A.M. Sunday School
- 9:45 A.M. iLife Joint Sunday School Class with Dan Wilson in Trinity Hall
- 11:00 A.M. Morning Worship/New Member Introductions
- 6:00 P.M. Evening Worship
- 7:00 P.M. Senior High Fellowship at the Home of the McRoberts

FOR PRAYER AND PARTICIPATION THIS WEEK

Monday, August 18

- 11:30 A.M. Finance Committee in the John Knox Room
- 12 Noon Men's Bible Study in the Spires Room

Tuesday, August 19

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

Wednesday, August 20

- 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. *Relax* ■ Church Family Supper
- 5:40 P.M. *Renew* ■ Prayer, Sharing, Singing
- 6:00 P.M. *Refresh* ■ Something for Everyone
- 7:00 P.M. Diaconate Meeting in the John Knox Room
- 7:00 P.M. Chancel Choir
- 7:00 P.M. Executive Committee

Thursday, August 21

- 7:30 P.M. Third Thursday BookTalk in the Spires Room

Trinity Church Prayer Focus:

The Administrative Staff: Margaret Murphy, Janet Gordy, Carolyn Talbert, Lea McLendon, and Stephanie Williams

Missionary Prayer Focus of the Week:

Clay and Darlene Quarterman ~ Mission to the World, Kiev, Ukraine

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 Spires Room is set up to provide overflow seating for each Lord's Day morning worship service. 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 live 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.

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