

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

MORNING WORSHIP

The Lord's Day, April 26, 2015 ▪ 8:30 and 11:00 A.M.

The Silent Meditation upon Entering the Sanctuary

Often, so often, a child sees behind all the religious garb of his parents, and finds what is really precious to them. He sees patterns of heart which lure them toward a pursuit of wealth, leisure, athletics, entertainment, television, shopping, and religious business. A child can easily see when these things are more exciting to his parents than devotion to Jesus Christ. When this proves to be the case, a child will embrace those same affections to the detriment of his own soul. However, when children see parents who pant after God, parents who are constantly pouring over the Scriptures and going to God in prayer about everything, parents who have a proper balance between the enjoyment of legitimate recreation and seeking to conform to everything that would bring glory to God, their children can be expected to adopt the same balance. Whatever or whoever is precious to you, the same will be precious to your children.

~ Jerry Marsellino, Rediscovering the Lost Treasures of Family Worship

THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS [8:25/10:55A.M.]

THE PRELUDE "Jesus Christ, Our Lord, Who Has Overcome Death"

J.S. Bach

Mr. James K. Atkins, *organ*

THE STRIKING OF THE HOUR

† THE ASCRIPTION OF PRAISE "All Creatures of Our God and King"

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!

† THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Mr. Howell

Minister: I will bless the LORD at all times; His praise shall continually be in my mouth.

People: I sought the LORD, and He answered me and delivered me from all my fears.

Minister: Come, O children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the LORD.

People: As for me and my house, we will serve the LORD.

† **THE HYMN No. 75** "O Father, You Are Sovereign"

† **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 HYMN No. 170 "Fairest Lord Jesus" [stanzas 1, 4]

THE MORNING OFFERING

The Meditation *I Chronicles 28:9*

And you, Solomon my son, know the God of your father and serve Him with a whole heart and with a willing mind, for the LORD searches all hearts and understands every plan and thought. If you seek Him, He will be found by you, but if you forsake Him, He will cast you off forever.

The Anthem "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light" arr. Richard Erickson

**I want to walk as a child of the light; I want to follow Jesus.
God set the stars to give light to the world; the star of my life
is Jesus.**

***Refrain: In Him there is no darkness at all; the night and the
day are both alike.***

***The Lamb is the light of the city of God; shine in my heart, Lord
Jesus.***

**I want to see the brightness of God; I want to look at Jesus.
Clear Sun of righteousness, shine on my path,
and show me the way to the Father. *Refrain***

**I'm looking for the coming of Christ; I want to be with Jesus.
When we have run with patience the race, we shall know the joy
of Jesus. *Refrain***

THE PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

† **THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON** Deut. 6:4-9 Page 192 in the Pew Bible

† **THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON** I John 3:23 Page 1303 in the Pew Bible

**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 INTERLUDE

***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).***

THE MORE EXCELLENT WAY
The Family Altar
V. Marriage and Family
Deuteronomy 6:4-9
(See insert for sermon outline.)

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The Words of Instruction and Exhortation

The Hymn of Preparation No. 457 - "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

The Introduction of the Covenant Families

Mr. and Mrs. Derek Hand (Anne Moreland)

Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Blades (Emily)

Mr. and Mrs. Brent Wills (Sarah)

† *The Confession of Our Faith*

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost; born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

† *The Covenant Vows*

Vows of the Parents

- 1. Do you acknowledge your child's need of the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ, and the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit?**
- 2. Do you claim God's covenant promises in her behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for her salvation, as you do your own?**
- 3. Do you now unreservedly dedicate her to God, and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before her a godly example, that you will pray with and for her, that you will teach her the doctrines of our holy religion, and that you will strive, by all the means of God's appointment, to bring her up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?**

† *Vow of the Congregation*

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

The Words of Institution

The Baptisms Assisting: Shepherd/Ruling Elder Bob Champion

Assisting: Ruling Elder Bill Stone, Jr., Caroline's grandfather [8:30]

Mary Ellen Monroe Hand [8:30]

Lydia Caroline Blades [8:30]

Abigail Grace Wills [11:00]

The Covenant Prayer

† ***The Doxology***

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**

† **THE QUIET MEDITATION AND APPLICATION OF GOD'S WORD**

Following each service the congregation is encouraged to greet the covenant family 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 child in the fear and admonition of the Lord.

† **THE POSTLUDE "Toccata on LASST UNS ERFREUEN" Charles Callahan**

† Indicates the congregation standing, as able

***YOUTH AND CHILDREN'S CHOIR
FESTIVAL SERVICE***

Tonight at 6:00 o'clock

Choral music led by our Youth and Children's Choirs

***Awards will be presented to children
promoting from one choir to the next
and to graduating seniors.***

HELPFUL RESOURCES

The following resources were compiled from our ministers to provide the congregation with a list of helps in trying to understand and form a biblical view of family worship ~ a vital means of spiritual growth for our children. The list is far from exhaustive but a helpful start in answering some of the most basic questions one may have. These resources may be purchased or ordered through the Trinity Bookstore, and the list will be provided at www.trinitypca.org. Articles may also be accessed via the website.

RESOURCES

The Family Worship Book, Terry Johnson

To Glorify God and Enjoy Him Forever, Robert Hill, First Presbyterian Church (PCA), Jackson, Mississippi, bookstore

Rediscovering Family Worship, Jerry Marcelino

A Family Well-Ordered, Cotton Mather

The Jesus Storybook Bible, Sally Lloyd-Jones

OLDER HELPS

Little Visits with God and More Little Visits with God, Allan Hart Jahsmann

Leading Little Ones to God, Marian M. Schoolland

Keys for Kids is a website and email distribution of daily devotionals for children.

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PRAYER

Face to Face, by Boa, volumes I and II

“31 Days of Prayers for Our Children,” Family Matters (a great website)

“31 Days of Prayer for Your Child,” Lifeway (very colorful calendar)

“31 Daily Prayers to Pray for Your Children,” is a PCA Daily Prayer Guide that includes 31 biblical virtues and Scriptures to be prayed over each month for the entire school year.

“Lifting My Children through Prayer,” FamilyLife

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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.

Trinity Church Prayer Focus of the Week

*Family Worship among Our Trinity
Members*

Missionary Focus of the Week

Brenda ... Commission to Every Nation

OUR CHURCH THIS LORD'S DAY, April 26

- 8:30 AM Early Morning Worship/Baptism
- 8:30 AM Pathway Class in the Westminster Room
- 9:45 AM Sunday School
- 11:00 AM Morning Worship/Baptism
- 5:00 PM Youth Choir
- 6:00 PM Youth and Children's Choirs Leading Worship
- 7:00 PM Senior High Fellowship at the Coopers' Home

FOR PRAYER AND PARTICIPATION, April 27-May 2

Monday

- 11:30 AM 3-M Luncheon Meeting in Westminster Room
- 12 Noon Men's Bible Study Lunch in the Spires Room

Tuesday

- 6:45 AM Prayer Breakfast in Trinity Hall
- 10:00 AM Joint Southeast Alabama and Warrior Presbyterian Meeting/Luncheon at Trinity Church

Wednesday

- 6:30 AM Men's *Search the Scriptures* in the John Knapp Room
- 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study Breakfast in Westminster Room
- 12 Noon WIC Study in Room 203
- 5:00 PM *Relax* - Church Family Supper
- 5:40 PM *Renew* - Prayer, Sharing, Singing
- 6:00 PM *Refresh* - Something for Everyone
- 7:00 PM Chancel Choir
- 7:00 PM Session Prayer Meeting in the John M. Ward Session Room

Friday

- 7:30 PM Organ Concert by Samuel Metzger
Reception in the Westminster Room

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