



THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP

APRIL 8, 2018

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# MORNING WORSHIP

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THE SILENT MEDITATION UPON ENTERING THE SANCTUARY

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*O God, we come to worship You today. We come into Your presence to sing, pray, and listen.  
You always hear us. Help us to hear you. Amen.*

The Welcome and Announcements

The Prelude      Partita on *Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain*      arr. Brian Henkelmann

The Striking of the Hour

† The Ascription of Praise      *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*      LOBE DEN HERREN

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!  
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!  
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near,  
join me in glad adoration.

† The Call to Worship      Psalm 22:22; 97:12; 145:1, 3      Mr. Howell

Minister: In the midst of the congregation I will praise You.

**People: Rejoice in the LORD, O you righteous, and give thanks to God's holy name!**

Minister: I will extol You, my God and King, and bless Your name forever and ever.

**People: Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; God's greatness is unsearchable.**

† The Hymn No. 32      *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*      FAITHFULNESS

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† Congregation, please stand as able

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† The Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

† The Lord's Prayer (Inside front cover of the *Trinity Hymnal*)

† 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 Morning Prayers

The Silent, Personal Prayer of Confession

The Corporate Prayer of Confession

**Holy and merciful God, in Your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against You. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from Your ways, in wasting Your gifts, in forgetting Your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease You. Forgive our sins, and help us to live in Your light and walk in Your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen**

The Assurance of God's Pardon

Ezekiel 36:25-26

I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. Believe the gospel and live in peace.

The Hymn No. 253

*There is a Fountain Filled with Blood*

FOUNTAIN

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## The Morning Offering

### The Christian Greeting

The Solo

*Alleluia, Sing to Jesus*  
Rosemary Hudson, *soprano*

arr. Mark Hayes

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus! His the scepter, His the throne. Alleluia!  
His the triumph, His the victory alone.  
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion thunder like a mighty flood.  
Jesus, out of every nation, has redeemed us by His blood.

Alleluia! Not as orphans are we left in sorrows now.  
Alleluia! He is near us; Faith believes nor questions how.  
Though the clouds from sight received Him when the forty days were over,  
Shall our hearts forget His promise: "I am with you evermore?"

Alleluia! Bread of Heaven, You on earth our food and stay!  
Alleluia! Here the sinful flee to You day to day.  
Intercessor, Friend of sinners, earth's Redeemer, plead for me.  
Where the songs of all the sinless sweep across the crystal sea.

✠ The Reading of God's Word

Romans 10:14-21

Page 1203 in the Pew Bible

✠ The Response

Minister: All men are like grass, and all their glory is like the flowers of the field.

**People: The grass withers and the flowers fade, but the Word of our God shall stand forever. Amen.**

### The Personal Meditation and Preparation of the Heart

*Children aged four through kindergarten may leave to attend Children's Church.  
Please pick up your children from the Children's Chapel in the Covenant Building (E-100).*

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*A detailed sermon outline can be found inside the morning announcements.*

## The Lord's Supper

### The Invitation to and Fencing of the Table

*Family of God, as we draw near to the Lord's Supper to celebrate Holy Communion of the Body and Blood of Christ, let us be grateful and remember that our Lord instituted this sacrament as a perpetual reminder of His dying for our sakes and as a pledge of His undying love for us.*

*Therefore, Jesus bids us to come to Him in this sacrament in knowledge, faith, repentance, love, and with hearts hungering and thirsting for Him. If we are willingly and stubbornly living in sin, lacking peace in our relationships with others, secretly relying on our own good works for favor with God, then we are warned by God's Word not to receive this sacrament.*

*But all who are truly sorry for their sins and long to be delivered from the burden of them; all who are weary from brokenness and long to be filled with the life of Christ; all who are doubting and need the assuring embrace of God; all who humbly put their trust in Christ and desire His grace that they may lead a holy life; and, all who are baptized members in an evangelical church, are invited and encouraged in His name to join us in the celebration of the Lord's Supper. Let us therefore come that we be refreshed and find rest for our souls.*

*If you are not in a saving relationship with God through Christ today, do not take the bread and cup, but take Christ and receive Him in your heart as those around you receive the meal. Then, immediately following the service, come and tell a minister or one of our leaders what you have done so we can prepare you to receive communion next time as a child of God.*

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† The Hymn of Preparation No. 523 *My Hope Is in the Lord* WAKEFIELD

† The Confession of Our Faith The Nicene Creed  
(Inside front cover of the *Trinity Hymnal*)

The Prayer of Humble Access

The Words of Institution

The Serving of the Meal

† The Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

† The Benediction of God's Grace and the Congregation's AMEN

Minister: Now may the God of peace Himself 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 Quiet Reflection, Meditation, and Personal Application

† The Postlude The Strife is O'er C. S. Lang



The sanctuary flowers this Lord's Day are given  
to the glory of God and in loving memory of  
**JUDY WALLACE COOK**  
by her family.

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CONCLUDING THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP • APRIL 8, 2018

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# LORD'S DAY VESPERS

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PRELIMINARY PREPARATION • 5:45 P.M.

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6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary

Homily

SINCE YOU ASKED:

*"How Do the Old Testament Festivals Point to Jesus?"*

Matthew 24:27

Mr. Pendley



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