



THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP  
SEPTEMBER 23, 2018

# MORNING WORSHIP

## THE SILENT MEDITATION UPON ENTERING THE SANCTUARY

*“Imagine yourself as a living house. God comes in to rebuild that house.*

*At first, perhaps, you can understand what He is doing.*

*He is getting the drains right and stopping the leaks in the roof and so on;*

*you knew that those jobs needed doing and so you are not surprised.*

*But presently He starts knocking the house about in a way that hurts abominably*

*and does not seem to make any sense. What on earth is He up to?*

*The explanation is that He is building quite a different house from the one you thought of –  
throwing out a new wing here, putting on an extra floor there, running up towers, making courtyards.*

*You thought you were being made into a decent little cottage:*

*but He is building a palace. He intends to come and live in it Himself.”*

— C.S. LEWIS, *MERE CHRISTIANITY*

## The Welcome and Announcements

The Prelude

Processional on ODE TO JOY

arr. Sue Mitchell-Wallace

Roger Redden, *trumpet*

and John Head

## The Striking of the Hour

*We Enter Into God's Presence*

† The Ascription of Praise

*Come Thou Almighty King*

TRINITY

Come, Thou Almighty King, help us Thy name to sing, help us to praise.

Father, all glorious, o'er all victorious, come, and reign over us, Ancient of Days.

To Thee great One in Three, eternal praises be, hence evermore!

Thy sovereign majesty may we in glory see, and to eternity love and adore!

† The Call to Worship

Colossians 2:3; Revelation 5:12

Mr. Howell

Minister: The Lord Jesus who calls us to worship Him today is the same Jesus who refused the temptation to worship the evil one. Rather than receive the glorious kingdoms of this world, He endured the shame of the cross, and today is Lord of lords and King of kings. Now are gathered in Him all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge, glory, and power. With the saints of all ages we say,

People: **“Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!”**

† The Hymn No. 263

*Lift High the Cross*

CRUCIFER

† The Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

† The Lord’s Prayer

(Inside front cover of the *Trinity Hymnal*)

*We Receive Cleansing in Christ*

The Morning Prayers

The Call to Confession

- I. You shall have no other gods before me.
- II. You shall not make unto yourself any graven image.
- III. You shall not take the Name of the Lord your God in vain.
- IV. Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.
- V. Honor your father and your mother.
- VI. You shall not kill.
- VII. You shall not commit adultery.
- VIII. You shall not steal.
- IX. You shall not bear false witness.
- X. You shall not covet.

The Silent, Personal Prayer of Confession

The Corporate Prayer of Confession – Psalm 51:10-13

**Merciful God, You pardon all who truly repent and turn to You. We humbly confess our sins and ask Your mercy. We have not loved You with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with You, our God. Have mercy on us, O God, in Your loving-kindness. In Your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Do not cast us from Your presence, or take Your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of Your salvation and sustain us with Your bountiful Spirit through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

The Assurance of God’s Pardon – Isaiah 44:21-22

Hear the good news! Remember these things, O Jacob, and Israel, for you are My servant; I formed you; you are My servant; O Israel, you will not be forgotten by Me. I have blotted out your transgressions like a cloud and your sins like mist; return to Me, for I have redeemed you. Know and believe that in Christ, God cleanses you, embraces you, and strengthens you to live a renewed life. **Thanks be to God!**

The General Prayer

† The Hymn No. 264                      *Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross*                      NEAR THE CROSS

The Morning Offering

The Christian Greeting

The Anthem                      *Beneath the Cross of Jesus*                      arr. Albert L. Travis  
Chancel Choir; Audrey McDonald, *violin*  
(The words to this anthem may be found in the *Trinity Hymnal*, No. 251)

## *We Receive God's Word*

The Prayer of Illumination

† The Old Testament Lesson

Ezekiel 37:3, 11-14  
Page 918 in the Pew Bible

† The New Testament Lesson

Ephesians 2:1-10  
Page 1242 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 Interlude

*Children age four through Kindergarten may leave to attend Children's Church.*

*Following the worship service, please pick up your four-year-olds from the*

*Children's Chapel in the Covenant Building (E-100)*

*Five-year-olds may be picked up from Room E-212.*

The Sermon

FINDING FREEDOM  
*From Sin's Presence and Power*

Mr. Curles

† The Hymn No. 189

*Jesus Loves Me, This I Know*

JESUS LOVES ME

# *The Sacrament of Baptism*

## † The Introduction of the Covenant Family

**GAVIN FRANCIS CLARKE ALLAN (8:30)**

*Parents:* Mr. and Mrs. Robert Allan (Aria)

*Assisting:* Elder John Steiner

*Assisting Grandfather:* Elder Paul Miles

**JONATHAN LANIER HUNTER (11:00)**

*Parents:* Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Hunter (Rebecca)

*Sibling:* Joseph Hunter

*Assisting:* Elder Jim Byram

**JEFFREY JONES THOMPSON (11:00)**

*Parents:* Mr. and Mrs. Peter Thompson (Haley)

*Siblings:* Pete and Allie Thompson

*Assisting Grandfather:* Elder Irby Thompson

## † The Confession of Our Faith

The Apostles' Creed

Inside front cover of the *Trinity Hymnal*

The Words of Instruction and Exhortation

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 his behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for his salvation, as you do your own?

3. Do you now unreservedly dedicate your child to God, and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before him a godly example, that you will pray with and for him, that you will teach him the doctrines of our holy religion, and that you will strive, by all the means of God's appointment, to bring him up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?

*Vow of the Congregation*

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

The Words of Institution

For to you is the promise, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call unto Him. And I will establish my covenant between Me and you and your seed after you throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be a God unto you and to your seed after you. Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you shall be saved, you and your household (Acts 2:39; Genesis 17:7; Acts 16:31). All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age (Matthew 28:18-20).

The Baptism

The Covenant Prayer

*We Go in Thanksgiving to Serve*

† The Doxology

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him all creatures here below; alleluia, alleluia!  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost; alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

† The Benediction

Minister: God Is good!

**People: All the time!**

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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 Christ be with you

**People: AMEN**

† The Quiet Meditation and Personal Application

*Following the 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

Trumpet Tune from Voluntary 1 in D

William Boyce  
arr. S. Drummond Wolff



*The Sanctuary Flowers*

**THE SANCTUARY FLOWERS THIS LORD'S DAY ARE GIVEN  
TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN HONOR OF THE BAPTISM OF**

*Gavin Francis Clarke Allan*

**AND IN LOVING MEMORY OF**

*Mr. and Mrs. George Francis Allan, Mr. Donald James McLaughlin,  
and Sra. Blanca Luisa Davalos de Vainstein*

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

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# LORD'S DAY VESPERS

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PRELIMINARY PREPARATION • 5:45 P.M.

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*In the Sanctuary*—INSTRUMENTAL PRELUDE

*In the Westminster Room*—PRAYER FOR THE SERVICE WITH THE MINISTERS



Instrumental Prelude		Ryan Donohue, <i>cello</i>
Scripture Calls Us to Worship	Isaiah 42:6-8	Mr. Curles
Gathering Hymn	<i>Come Ye Sinners</i>	(see page 12)
Opening Prayer		
Hymn	<i>In Christ Alone</i>	(see page 13)
Missionary Report		Victor Nakah, <i>Mission to the World, Africa</i>
Evening Scripture Lesson	Isaiah 55:1-2	Page 782 in the Pew Bible Read by Deb Freeman, <i>Seekers Sunday School Class</i>
Testimony of God's Grace		Annie Rush, <i>Seekers Sunday School Class</i>
Interlude: Meditation, Reflection, and Preparation for the Word		

*Children are dismissed to attend their classes.*

Homily

LOVE DOES  
“ Love Feasts”

Mr. Pendley

## *The Lord's Supper*

The Invitation to and Fencing of the Table

*The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is for all who are baptized members in an evangelical church. They are invited and encouraged in His name to join us in the celebration of the Lord's Supper. 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.*

The Hymn of Preparation

*Trinity Song*

(see page 14)

The Words of Institution

The Prayer of Humble Access

The Serving of the Meal

*Those participating in the meal are invited to come forward to receive communion. Please exit your pew into the center aisle as the usher leads and return to your pew by way of the outside aisle. One may consume the elements immediately or return to your seat to partake. Alternately, you may remain in your seat to receive communion and simply let the usher and elder know your wishes. Those who are in the balcony will approach the table first.*

The Hymn

*Behold the Lamb*

(see page 15)

Benediction of God's Grace

Closing Chorus

*The 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.

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*Ministers and Elders will be praying after the service with all who might  
have needs for spiritual, physical, emotional, or relational healing.  
Prayer requests will be shared with and prayed for privately with two or three  
Ministers and Elders and will be held in confidence.  
Locations—Session Room, Parlor, and John Knox Room.*

# Come, Ye Sinners



1. Come, ye \_\_\_ sin - ners, \_\_\_ poor and need - y,  
2. Come, ye \_\_\_ thirst - y, \_\_\_ come, and wel \_\_\_ come,  
3. Come, ye \_\_\_ wea - ry, \_\_\_ heav - y la - den,  
4. I will a - rise and \_\_\_ go to Je - sus;



weak and \_\_\_ wound - ed, \_\_\_ sick and sore;  
God's free \_\_\_ boun - ty \_\_\_ glo - ri - fy;  
lost and \_\_\_ ru - ined \_\_\_ by the fall;  
He will em - brace me \_\_\_ in His arms;



Je - sus read - y stands to save \_\_\_ you,  
true be - lief \_\_\_ and true re - pent - ance,  
if you tar - ry till you're bet - ter,  
in the arms of my dear Sav - ior,



full of pit - y, \_\_\_ love and pow'r.  
ev - ery grace that \_\_\_ brings you nigh.  
you will nev - er \_\_\_ come at all.  
O, there are \_\_\_ ten \_\_\_ thou - sand charms.

Words: Joseph Hart, 1759  
Music: Southern Harmony, 1835

## In Christ Alone



1. In Christ a - lone my hope is found, He is my  
 2. In Christ a - lone, who took on flesh, full - ness of  
 3. There in the ground his bo - dy lay, Light of the  
 4. No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the



light, my strength my song; This Cor - ner - stone, this sol - id  
 God in help - less babe! This gift of love and right - eous -  
 world by dark - ness slain. Then burst - ing forth in glor - ious  
 pow'r of Christ in me. From life's first cry to fi - nal



ground, firm through the fier - est drought and  
 ness, scorned by the ones He came to  
 day up from the grave he rose a -  
 breath, Je - sus com - mands my des - ti -



storm. What heights of love, what depths of peace when fears are  
 save. 'Till on the cross as Je - sus died, the wrath of  
 gain. And as he stands in vic - to - ry sin's curse has  
 ny. No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man can ev - er



stilled, when striv - ings cease. My Com - fort - er, my All in  
 God was sat - is - fied. For ev - 'ry sin on Him was  
 lost its grip on me, for I am his and he is  
 pluck me from his hand. 'Till he re - turns or calls me



all, here in the love of Christ I stand.  
 laid; here in the death of Christ I live.  
 mine, bought with the pre - cious blood of Christ.  
 home, here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

## **Trinity Song**

Sandra McCracken

Holy Father, Son and Spirit  
Holy Communion, Three in One. (x2)

[meditative break]

Come with Your Peace, with Your invitation  
Bind us together in holy love. (x2)

[meditative break]

Holy Father, Son and Spirit  
Holy Communion, Three in One. (x2)

[meditative break]

Holy Father, Son and Spirit (pause)  
Holy Father, Son and Spirit (pause)  
Three in One, Three in One, Three in One.

# Behold the Lamb



1. Be - hold the Lamb who bears our sins a - way, slain for us,  
2. The bo - dy of our Sav - ior Je - sus Christ, torn for you,  
3. The blood that clean - ses ev - ery stain of sin, shed for you,  
4. And so with thank - ful - ness and faith we rise to res-pond,



and we re-mem - ber, the pro - mise made that all who  
eat and re-mem - ber; The wounds that heal, the death that  
drink and re-mem - ber, He drained death's cup that all may  
and to re-mem - ber, our call to fol - low in the



come in faith find for - give - ness at the cross. So we share in this  
brings us life paid the price to make us one. So we share in this  
en - ter in to re - ceive the life of God. So we share in this  
steps of Christ as His bo - dy here on earth. As we share in His



bread of life, and we drink of His sac - ri - fice as a sign of our  
bread of life, and we drink of His sac - ri - fice as a sign of our  
bread of life, and we drink of His sac - ri - fice as a sign of our  
suf - fer - ing, we pro-claim Christ will come a - gain! And we'll join in the



bonds of peace, a - round the tab - le of the King.  
bonds of love a - round the tab - le of the King.  
bonds of grace a - round the tab - le of the King.  
feast of heav'n a - round the tab - le of the King.



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