



The Lord's Day in Worship

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA

DECEMBER 29, 2019

MORNING WORSHIP

THE SILENT MEDITATION UPON ENTERING THE SANCTUARY

*Jesus, where e'er Thy people meet, there they behold Thy mercy seat;
Where e'er they seek Thee Thou art found, and every place is hallowed ground.*

— WILLIAM COWPER



The Welcome and Announcements

The Prelude

See Amid the Winter's Snow
Elizabeth V. Arnold, *organ*

Raymond H. Haan

The Striking of the Hour

† The Ascription of Praise *Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come*

ANTIOCH

No more let sins and sorrows grow, nor thorns infest the ground;
He comes to make His blessings flow far as the curse is found,
far as the curse is found, far as, far as the curse is found.

† The Call to Worship

Revelation 21:3-5

Mr. Pendley

Minister: And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

People: **“Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be His people, and God Himself will be with them as their God.**

Minister: He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away.”

People: **And He who was seated on the throne said, “Behold, I am making all things new.”**

† The Hymn No. 164

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

AZMON

† 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

Almighty and merciful God, we have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against Your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare those who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent, according to your promises declared to the world in Christ Jesus, our Lord. And grant, O merciful God, for His sake, that we may live a holy, just, and humble life to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

The Assurance of God's Pardon – Isaiah 1:18

Child of God, hear the Good News for all people: "Come, now, let us reason together, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be like snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool."

The Pastoral Prayer (8:30)

† The Hymn No. 211

God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen

GOD REST YOU MERRY

The Christian Greeting

The Offertory Solo

Sweet Little Jesus Boy
Jakia Gadson, soloist

Robert MacGimsey

The Reading of God's Word

Luke 2:10

Page 1090 in the Pew Bible

The Personal Preparation and Meditation of the Heart

*Children age four through kindergarten may leave to attend Children's Church.
Following the 8:30 worship service, your children will be taken to their Sunday school classes.
Following the 11:00 service, please pick up your children from the Children's Chapel (E-100).*

The Sermon

REASON FOR HOPE

Mr. McRoberts

Luke 2:10

INTRODUCTION

I. THE HOPE OF IMMANUEL ~ ISAIAH 7:1-17

II. GOD REST YOU MERRY, GENTLEMEN ~ LUKE 2:10

A. God make you strong because the coming of Jesus as a baby is GOOD NEWS.

B. God make you strong because the coming of Jesus as a baby is GOOD NEWS...
and the good news is for all people!

CONCLUSION

The Sacrament of Baptism (11:00)

The Words of Instruction and Exhortation



The Hymn

A Carol for Christmas 2016

ELLACOMBE

Words by Timothy Dudley-Smith

What songs are ours for singing to welcome Christmas Day!
Come, set the church bells ringing, come, hear the organ play!
Rejoice to tell the story, how in that cattle-stall
was born the Lord of glory, the Child to save us all.

What songs can mourners borrow, laments of grief and loss,
the broken heart of sorrow before that bitter cross?
While earth itself is shaken and darkness veils the skies,
rejected and forsaken, the Lord of glory died.

What songs we sing, rejoicing to welcome Eastertide,
with saints and angels voicing the praise of Him Who died!
From death's devouring prison behold Him strong to save,
the Lord of glory risen, in triumph from the grave.

Our song is never-ending, come, lift your voices high,
our earthbound worship blending with all the starry sky!
Give thanks for love amazing, and heartfelt homage pay,
the Lord of glory praising, the Child of Christmas Day!



The Introduction of the Covenant Family

JAMES WINFREY PASCALE

Parents: Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Pascale (Lillian)

Assisting: Ruling Elder/Shepherd Mark Anderson



The Confession of Our Faith

The Apostles' Creed
Inside front cover of the *Trinity Hymnal*

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 on 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

Recognizing that the family of J. W. Pascale will live outside the Montgomery area, do you as a congregation undertake the responsibility of assisting the Pascales by praying for the Christian nurture of their son?

The Words of Institution

The Baptism

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 of God's Grace and the Congregation's AMEN

Minister: Now to Him Who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of His glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever.

People: AMEN.

† The Postlude

In Dulci Jubilo

J. S. Bach

Following the 11:00 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 Sanctuary Flowers

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

James Winfrey Pascale

AND IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Mr. Jack Forst

Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Pascale (Mildred)

Mrs. Margaret Sardano

Mr. Jim Wilson, Jr.

BY MR. AND MRS. MATTHEW PASCALE (LILLIAN).

CONCLUDING THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP

DECEMBER 29, 2019 • IN THE SANCTUARY • 6:00 P.M.

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



6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary

HOMILY

“Grace Has Brought Me Safe Thus Far,
and Grace Will Lead Me Home”

Psalm 105:1-5

Mr. Pendley

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN SING



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