



The Lord's Day in Worship

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA

MARCH 28, 2021

MORNING WORSHIP

THE SILENT MEDITATION UPON ENTERING THE SANCTUARY

Heavenly Father, Who has so loved the world as to send Your dear Son Jesus Christ to seek and to save the lost: We give thanks for the grace by which He laid aside celestial glory and came among us as a servant, meek and lowly, the Friend of sinners, and the Companion of the poor. We remember with joy that the common people heard Him gladly, and the multitude welcomed Him with palm branches and songs of praise. Grant us grace, O God, to join with all our hearts in the spiritual triumph of the Prince of Peace. Amen.



We Enter Into God's Presence

The Prelude

Jesus Christ, Our Lord Redeemer

J. S. Bach

Please sit only in open pews and maintain social distancing. Masks are required for attendees over six years old at all times. Those who are not present physically will be invited to stand when able, and to be seated when necessary. Worship is participative and not passive. God has designed us to be physical creatures and sometimes our hearts and minds will follow our posture. Overflow is available in Trinity Hall.

The Striking of the Hour

† The Call to Worship

Hebrews 12:1-2; Matthew 21:9

Mr. Howell

Minister: Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

People: Hosanna to the Son of David!

Minister: Blessed is He that comes in the name of the Lord!

People: Hosanna in the Highest!

On Palm Sunday we celebrate the triumphal entry of Christ into Jerusalem five days before His crucifixion. Mr. Mac and children in first through fifth grades process with palm branches. May we rejoice this morning in the Son of David, our Prophet, Priest, and King!

All glory, laud, and honor to Thee, Redeemer, King,
to Whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring!
Thou art the King of Israel, Thou David's royal Son,
Who in the Lord's Name comest, the King and blessed One!

The people of the Hebrews with palms before Thee went;
our praise and prayer and anthems before Thee we present:
to Thee, before Thy passion, they sang their hymns of praise;
to Thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise.

Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring,
Who in all good delightest, Thou good and gracious King!
All glory, laud, and honor to Thee, Redeemer, King,
to Whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring!

† 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.**

We Receive Cleansing in Christ

The Morning Prayers

Mr. McRoberts

The Reading: “The Triumphal Entry” according to John 12:12-19

12 The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. 13 So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet Him, crying out, “Hosanna! Blessed is He Who comes in the Name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!” 14 And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written, 15 “Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your King is coming, sitting on a donkey’s colt!” 16 His disciples did not understand these things at first, but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written about Him and had been done to Him. 17 The crowd that had been with Him when He called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised Him from the dead continued to bear witness. 18 The reason why the crowd went to meet Him was that they heard He had done this sign. 19 So the Pharisees said to one another, “You see that you are gaining nothing. Look, the world has gone after Him.”

The Corporate Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ, Who on this day did enter the rebellious city where You were to die: Enter into our hearts, we beseech You, and subdue them wholly to Yourself. As Your faithful disciples spread their garments in the way, covering it with palm branches, make us ready to lay at Your feet all that we have and are. After having confessed and worshiped You upon earth, may we be among the number of those who shall hail Your eternal triumph and bear in our hands the palms of victory, when every knee shall bow before You, and every tongue confess that You are Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Words of Exhortation and Hope – Philippians 2:5-11

5 Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, 6 Who, though He was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, 7 but emptied Himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. 8 And being found in human form, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. 9 Therefore God has highly exalted Him and bestowed on Him the Name that is above every name, 10 so that at the Name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, 11 and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The Christian Greeting and Announcements

*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 Felder Avenue
door of the Covenant Building.*

We Receive God's Word

The Scripture Reading

Matthew 21:6-11

6 The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them. 7 They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their cloaks, and He sat on them. 8 Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. 9 And the crowds that went before Him and that followed Him were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is He Who comes in the Name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!" 10 And when He entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred up, saying, "Who is this?" 11 And the crowds said, "This is the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth of Galilee."

The Sermon

**THE TRIUMPH OF JESUS
AND OUR TROUBLED WORLD**

Dr. Richard L. Pratt

Matthew 21:6-11



SERMON NOTES

The Sacrament of Baptism (11:00)

The Words of Instruction and Exhortation

† The Hymn No. 261

What Wondrous Love Is This?

WONDROUS LOVE

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,
what wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul!

To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing,
to God and to the Lamb, I will sing;
to God and to the Lamb, Who is the great I AM,
while millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,
while millions join the theme, I will sing!

And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on,
and when from death I'm free, I'll sing on;
and when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joyful be,
and through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on,
and through eternity I'll sing on!

† The Introduction of the Covenant Families

ELIZABETH ADAIR HESTER

Parents: Mr. and Mrs. Will Hester (Anna Lynd)

Assisting: Ruling Elder/Grandfather Roland Hester

MARY MILLS HUDSON

Parents: Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Hudson (Georgia Ann)

Sibling: Henry Hudson

Assisting: Ruling Elder/Shepherd Ken Williams

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 on 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 your child 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 the parents in the Christian nurture of their child?

The Baptisms

The Covenant Prayer

We Go in Thanksgiving to Serve

† The Hymn No. 198

Lift Up Your Heads Ye Mighty Gates

TRURO

(stanzas 1, 3, 5, and 6)

Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates! Behold, the King of glory waits;
the King of kings is drawing near, the Savior of the world is here.

O blest the land, the city blest, where Christ the Ruler is confessed!
O happy hearts and happy homes to whom this King in triumph comes!

Redeemer, come! I open wide my heart to Thee; here, Lord, abide!
Let me Thy inner presence feel; Thy grace and love in me reveal.

So come, my Sovereign, enter in! Let new and nobler life begin!
Thy Holy Spirit, guide us on, until the glorious crown be won.

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

Minister: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship
of the Holy Spirit, descend and rest in your hearts until the day breaks
and all these shadows flee away.

People: AMEN

† The Dismissal by Pew

*Please allow worshippers in the back of the Sanctuary to exit first to allow for social distancing.
Please do not gather or socialize inside the building. Please take all personal items, including
your worship bulletin, with you as you leave.*

† The Postlude

“Allegro Vivace” from Voluntary No. IV

Thomas Adams



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Thank you for joining us for worship.

PLEASE REGISTER YOUR ATTENDANCE TODAY. Use this form to indicate your presence with us for worship. Fill out the appropriate sections, tear off, and place the form in the offering plate.

GUESTS

Date _____

Name(s) _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Email _____

Phone (_____) _____

Names and ages of children at home:

☐ Single ☐ Married ☐ Widowed

AGE GROUP ☐ 12 and under ☐ 13-17 ☐ 18-25 ☐ 26-35

☐ 36-50 ☐ Over 50

☐ First Time Visitor ☐ Repeat Visitor

☐ Visiting with family/friends ☐ Regular Attender

☐ New Resident

☐ Desire a visit

☐ Interested in knowing more about Trinity

☐ Interested in New Members Class

MEMBERS AND REGULAR ATTENDERS

Please let us know of:

☐ New Address

☐ New Phone (_____) _____

☐ New Email _____

Name _____

To my Elders...

I have the following prayer and/or praise to God:

To my Deacons...

I know of the following situation where assistance is needed:

NAME _____

TODAY'S DATE _____

TELEPHONE _____

PRAYER OF BELIEF

Lord Jesus Christ, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but, through You, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank You for paying my debt, bearing my punishment and offering forgiveness. I turn from my sins and receive You as Savior. *Amen.*

*(If you are saying this prayer for the first time today,
please let one of the ministers know)*



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