



THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA

SEPTEMBER 12, 2021

MORNING WORSHIP

THE SILENT MEDITATION UPON ENTERING THE SANCTUARY

The most urgent question this morning is whether we know what our most pressing needs are, and whether we will let the risen Christ come into our lives to meet those needs—whether we will let Him be our servant. The most pressing needs you have this morning are not financial needs or health needs or vocational needs or family needs—as heart-wrenching as those needs may be, and as much as Jesus stands ready in His living power to help you with them. The most pressing needs you and I have are these: 1. the need to have our sin taken away and a right relationship with God established, and 2. the need to overcome death.



APPROACHING GOD'S THRONE

The Christian Greeting and Call to Preparation

8:25 and 10:55 a.m.

The Prelude

Ciacona in F Minor
Robert Scott, *flute*
Michael Zyzack, *cello*

J. Pachelbel

*Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil,
for You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.*

Psalm 23:4

*Please maintain social distancing. Masks are requested in the sanctuary;
masks are mandatory in the Westminster Room and in the Spires Room.*

The Striking of the Hour

The Choral Introit

Praise Him, Praise Him!
Covenant Choir

Praise Him, all ye little children, God is Love.
Love Him, all ye little children, God is Love.
Thank Him, all ye little children, God is Love.

The Call to Worship

Mr. Curles

Let not your heart be troubled! Jesus is the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End. He is the Living One. He was dead, and behold, He is alive forever and ever! Because He lives, we also will live.

† The Hymn No. 286

Worship Christ, the Risen King!

REGENT SQUARE

Rise O Church and lift your voices, Christ has conquered death and hell.
Sing as all the earth rejoices, resurrection anthems swell.
Come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the Risen King!

See the tomb where death had laid Him, empty now, its mouth declares:
"death and I could not contain Him, for the throne of life He shares."
Come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the Risen King!

Hear the earth protest and tremble, see the stone removed with pow'r;
all hell's minions may assemble, but cannot withstand His hour.
He has conquered, He has conquered, Christ the Lord, the Risen King!

Doubt may lift its head to murmur, scoffers mock and sinners jeer;
but the truth proclaims a wonder thoughtful hearts receive with cheer
He is risen, He is risen, now receive the Risen King!

We acclaim Your life, O Jesus, now we sing Your victory;
sin or hell may seek to seize us, but Your conquest keeps us free.
Stand in triumph, stand in triumph, worship Christ, the Risen King!

† The Prayer of Invocation

**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.**

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.

SEEKING GOD'S FACE

The Pastoral Prayer

The Offering of His Tithes and Our Gifts Beyond the Tithe

HEARING GOD'S VOICE

The Anthem

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

arr. Nelson

What a fellowship, what a joy divine, leaning on the everlasting arms;
What a blessedness, what a peace is mine, leaning on the everlasting arms.
Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms;
Leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.

Oh, how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way, leaning on the everlasting arms;
Oh, how bright the path grows from day to day, leaning on the everlasting arms.

Through many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already come.
What have I to dread, what have I to fear, leaning on the everlasting arms?
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near, leaning on the everlasting arms.
Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms;
Leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.

The Prayer of Illumination

✠ The Reading of God's Word

John 11:17-27, 40

17 Now when Jesus came, He found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. 18 Bethany was near Jerusalem, about two miles off, 19 and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them concerning their brother. 20 So when Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met Him, but Mary remained seated in the house. 21 Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. 22 But even now I know that whatever You ask from God, God will give You." 23 Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." 24 Martha said to Him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." 25 Jesus said to her, "I am the Resurrection and the Life. Whoever believes in Me, though he die, yet shall he live, 26 and everyone who lives and believes in Me shall never die. Do you believe this?" 27 She said to Him, "Yes, Lord; I believe that You are the Christ, the Son of God, Who is coming into the world." 40 Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?"

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 Personal Preparation of the Heart

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

John 11:1-44
The Gospel of John, XXV
"I AM" Series #5

INTRODUCTION

I. A CURIOUS LOVE ~ 11:1-16

II. A LIFE-CHANGING REVELATION ~ 11:17-27

III. AN UNMATCHED SYMPATHY ~ 11:28-36

IV. A SUPERNATURAL POWER ~ 11:37-44

CONCLUSION

For further meditation and encouragement: DEATH FOR THE BELIEVER • death is precious in the sight of the Lord (Psalm 116:15) • death is being carried away by the angels into Abraham's bosom (Luke 16:22) • death is going to paradise (Luke 23:43) • death is going to the house with many mansions (John 14:2) • death is a blessed departure (Philippians 1:23; II Timothy 4:6) • death is to be with Christ (Philippians 1:23) • death is to be at home with the Lord (II Corinthians 5:8) • death is a gain (Philippians 1:21) • death is a far better country Whose Architect and Builder is God (Philippians 1:23; Hebrews 11:10) • death is falling asleep in the Lord (John 11:11).

“I believe in one great God, Who has made this earth and has placed me upon it. I believe that I am sinful. I believe that this same God in love and wisdom sent the Lord Jesus Christ to die for me that I might be saved. I believe that Jesus existed with God and as God from the beginning, that He became man, that His death was a substitutionary death for me by which my sin has been removed as far as the east is from the west and on the basis of which it will be remembered against me no more. I believe in Christ’s historical, literal, and bodily resurrection, by which God has demonstrated that Christ’s sacrifice on the cross is acceptable to Him as an all-sufficient atonement for the sin of His people and in which He has also given a foretaste of the coming resurrection of all who believe on Him. I believe in the person and power of the Holy Spirit. I believe that He opens blind eyes to see Christ and moves rebellious wills to embrace Him to their salvation. I believe that He illuminates the written Word of God so that those who are saved can understand it and obey it. I believe in the fellowship of the saints. I believe in the Church. I believe in God’s providence, by which nothing enters the life of the Christian that is not the product either of God’s direct or permissive will. I believe that God chastises His children. I believe that He is determined to perfect the character of Jesus Christ in all who are united to Christ by faith. I believe that Jesus will one Day return from Heaven even as He was seen to go into Heaven—bodily and in time. I believe that in that day there will be a final resurrection of believers to the life of Heaven and of unbelievers to judgment. In Hell there will be suffering. In Heaven there will be a life of blessing prepared in advance by God for those whom He has chosen in Christ before the foundation of the world.”

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died,
my richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ my God:
all the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to His blood.

See, from His head, His hands, His feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down:
did e’er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

† The Prayer of Humble Access

The Words of Institution

The Serving of the Meal

FOLLOWING GOD'S SPIRIT

† The Hymn

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

HAMBURG

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small;
love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

† The Benediction of God's Grace

Minister: The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make His face to shine upon you
and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give
you peace.

The Threefold Amen (*sung by all*):

The musical notation is for a threefold Amen, written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It consists of two staves: a treble staff and a bass staff. The melody is primarily in the treble staff, with the bass staff providing a harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics 'A - men, A - men, A - men.' are written below the notes. The first two 'Amen's are each four measures long, and the third 'Amen' is also four measures long, though the notation shows a slight overlap or continuation. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

The Postlude

Trio Sonata No. 1, Allegro

J. S. Bach