



# **THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP**

**TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA**

**SEPTEMBER 19, 2021**

# MORNING WORSHIP

THE SILENT MEDITATION UPON ENTERING THE SANCTUARY

*Without the Way, there is no going;  
and without the Truth there is no knowing;  
and without the Life there is no living.*

– THOMAS A'KEMPIS, THE IMITATION OF CHRIST



## APPROACHING GOD'S THRONE

The Christian Greeting and Call to Preparation

8:25 and 10:55 a.m.

The Prelude

*Psalm 42, Wie Der Hirsch Schreit (As Pants the Hart)*

F. Mendelssohn

*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

*Bless the Lord, His Name Be Blessed*

Goss

Bless the Lord! His Name be blessed, worshipped, honored, loved, adored;  
And with holy hearts confessed, saints and servants of the Lord.  
Bless the Lord! The Father, Son, and the Holy Spirit, praise;

High exalt the Three-in-One, God of everlasting days!  
God the Lord of Hosts is with us evermore!

The Call to Worship

Psalm 42:1-2

Mr. Howell

As a deer pants for flowing streams, so pants my soul for You, O God. My soul thirsts for  
God, for the living God. When shall I come and appear before God?

We come, O Christ, to you, true Son of God and man,  
by Whom all things consist, in Whom all life began:  
in You alone we live and move, and have our being in Your love.

You are the Way to God, Your blood our ransom paid;  
in You we face our Judge and Maker unafraid.  
Before the throne absolved we stand, Your love has met your law's demand.

You are the living Truth! All wisdom dwells in You,  
the Source of every skill, the one eternal TRUE!  
O great I AM! In You we rest, sure answer to our every quest.

You only are true Life, to know You is to live  
the more abundant life that earth can never give:  
O risen Lord! We live in You: in us each day Your life renew!

We worship You, Lord Christ, our Savior and our King,  
to You our youth and strength adoringly we bring:  
so fill our hearts, that all may view your life in us, and turn to You!

**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 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.**

## † The Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

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.

## SEEKING GOD'S FACE

### The Call to Confession – Proverbs 14:12

There is a way that seems right to a man, but its end is the way to death.

### The Reading of the Law

- I. Thou shalt have no other gods before Me.
- II. Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image.
- III. Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord thy God in vain.
- IV. Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.
- V. Honor thy Father and Mother.
- VI. Thou shalt not kill.
- VII. Thou shalt not commit adultery.
- VIII. Thou shalt not steal.
- IX. Thou shalt not bear false witness.
- X. Thou shalt not covet.

Hear also the words of our Lord Jesus, how He saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

### The Silent, Personal Prayer of Confession

## The Corporate Prayer of Confession

**Almighty and most merciful Father; 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; and there is no health in us. But You, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent, according to Your promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for His sake, that we may hereafter live a holy, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of Your holy Name. Amen.**

## The Assurance of God's Pardon

Come now, let us reason together, says the LORD: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool. As far as the east is from the west, so far [do You] remove our transgressions from us. You will again have compassion on us; You will tread our iniquities underfoot. You will cast all our sins into the depths of the sea. In love, You have delivered my life from the pit of destruction, for You have cast all my sins behind Your back.

## The Pastoral Prayer

† The Hymn No. 662      *As the Hart Longs for Flowing Streams*      AS THE HART LONGS

As the hart longs for flowing streams, so longs my soul for Thee, O God.  
My soul does thirst for the living God; when shall I come to see Thy face?

My tears have fed me day and night, while men have said, "where is your God?"  
But I recall as my soul pours dry, the days of praise within Thy house.

Why do I mourn and toil within, when it is mine to hope in God?  
I shall again sing praise to Him; He is my help, He is my God.

## The Offering of His Tithes and Our Gifts Beyond the Tithe

## HEARING GOD'S VOICE

The Instrumental Offertory

*Irish Shepherd's Psalm*

Scott

The King of Love my Shepherd is, Whose goodness faileth never;  
I nothing lack if I am His, and He is mine forever.

Where streams of living water flow, my ransomed soul He leadeth,  
And where the verdant pastures grow, with food celestial feedeth.

In death's dark vale I fear no ill with Thee, dear Lord, beside me;  
Thy rod and staff my comfort still, Thy cross before to guide me.

Thou spreadst a table in my sight; Thy unction grace bestoweth;  
And oh, what transport of delight from Thy pure chalice floweth!

And so through all the length of days Thy goodness faileth never:  
Good Shepherd, may we sing Thy praise within Thy house forever.

The Prayer of Illumination

† The Reading of God's Word

The Old Testament Lesson

Exodus 33:11-23

11 Thus the Lord used to speak to Moses face to face, as a man speaks to his friend. When Moses turned again into the camp, his assistant Joshua the son of Nun, a young man, would not depart from the tent. 12 Moses said to the Lord, "See, You say to me, 'Bring up this people,' but You have not let me know whom You will send with me. Yet You have said, 'I know you by name, and you have also found favor in My sight.' 13 Now therefore, if I have found favor in Your sight, please show me now Your ways, that I may know You in order to find favor in Your sight. Consider too that this nation is Your people." 14 And He said, "My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." 15 And he said to Him, "If Your presence will not go with me, do not bring us up from here. 16 For how shall it be known that I have found favor in Your sight, I and Your people? Is it not in Your going with us, so that we are distinct, I and Your people, from every other people on the face of the earth?"

17 And the Lord said to Moses, “This very thing that you have spoken I will do, for you have found favor in My sight, and I know you by name.” 18 Moses said, “Please show me Your glory.” 19 And He said, “I will make all My goodness pass before you and will proclaim before you My Name ‘The Lord.’ And I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. 20 But,” He said, “you cannot see My face, for man shall not see Me and live.” 21 And the Lord said, “Behold, there is a place by Me where you shall stand on the rock, 22 and while My glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with My hand until I have passed by. 23 Then I will take away My hand, and you shall see My back, but My face shall not be seen.”

The New Testament Lesson

John 14:1-11

“Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in Me. 2 In My Father’s house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? 3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to Myself, that where I am you may be also. 4 And you know the way to where I am going.” 5 Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where You are going. How can we know the way?” 6 Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me. 7 If you had known Me, you would have known My Father also. From now on you do know Him and have seen Him.” 8 Philip said to Him, “Lord, show us the Father, and it is enough for us.” 9 Jesus said to Him, “Have I been with you so long, and you still do not know Me, Philip? Whoever has seen Me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? 10 Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in Me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own authority, but the Father who dwells in Me does His works. 11 Believe Me that I am in the Father and the Father is in Me, or else believe on account of the works themselves.

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.**

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

The Sermon

**I AM THE WAY, THE TRUTH, AND THE LIFE**

Mr. McRoberts

John 14:1-11

The Gospel of John, XXVI

"I AM" Series #6

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*A sermon outline may be found inside the morning announcements.*

The Closing Prayer

**FOLLOWING GOD'S SPIRIT**

† The Hymn No. 32

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

FAITHFULNESS

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father;  
there is no shadow of turning with Thee;  
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not;  
as Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.

*Refrain: Great is Thy faithfulness!*

*Great is Thy faithfulness!*

*Morning by morning new mercies I see:  
all I have needed Thy hand hath provided -  
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,  
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above,  
join with all nature in manifold witness  
to Thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. [Refrain]

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,  
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,  
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! [Refrain]



## ✠ The Benediction of God's Grace

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.

The Threefold Amen (*sung by all*):

A - men, A - men, A - men.

The Postlude

*Prelude in G Major, BWV 541*

J. S. Bach