

*I've searched for identity in my successes, but my failures get in the way.
I've looked for identity in my possessions, but they age, break, and malfunction.*

I've sought identity in people, but everyone is flawed somehow.

I've searched for identity in ministry, but the Spirit gets in the way.

I've reached for identity in knowledge, but I never know enough.

I've gotten my identity from my strength, but weakness took it away.

I've taken identity from my abilities, but inability stole it from me.

*There is no place, no person, no experience, no success, no possession,
no skill, no level of knowledge that can impart the security of identity,
the rest of meaning and purpose, that everyone desires.*

So I've quit looking out and begun looking up.

In You, I am loved, I am forgiven, I have eternal value,

I have meaning and purpose, I have security and rest,

I have understanding, I have moral direction,

I have self-knowledge, I have peace of heart.

You are in me, I am in You. This bond is enough.

This bond is life and it cannot be broken.

- PAUL TRIPP

THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA

OCTOBER 10, 2021

MORNING WORSHIP

THE SILENT MEDITATION UPON ENTERING THE SANCTUARY

*To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort;
to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior;
to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;
and to all who will come, this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome
in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.*



APPROACHING GOD'S THRONE

The Christian Greeting and Call to Preparation

8:25 and 10:55 a.m.

The Prelude

All Creatures of Our God and King

arr. Sowash

Michael Zyzack, cello

*Thus says God, the Lord, Who created the heavens and stretched them out, Who spread out the earth
and what comes from it, Who gives breath to the people on it and spirit to those who walk in it: "I am
the Lord; I have called you in righteousness; I will take you by the hand and keep you;
I will give you as a covenant for the people, a light for the nations, to open the eyes that are blind,
to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness."*

Psalm 42:5-7

*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

This Little Light of Mine

Ken Berg

Covenant Choir

This little light of mine, I'm going to let it shine!
Everywhere I go, I'm going to let it shine.
All through the night, I'm going to let it shine.
This little light of mine, I'm going to let it shine.

We have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer us who live, but Christ who lives in us. And the life we now live in the flesh we live by faith in the Son of God, who loved us and gave himself for us.

† The Hymn No. 167

When Morning Gilds the Skies
(stanzas 1, 3, 4, and 6)

LAUDES DOMINI

When morning gilds the skies, my heart awaking cries:
May Jesus Christ be praised. Alike at work and prayer
to Jesus I repair: May Jesus Christ be praised.

Does sadness fill my mind? A solace here I find:
May Jesus Christ be praised. Or fades my earthly bliss?
My comfort still is this: May Jesus Christ be praised.

In heav'n's eternal bliss the loveliest strain is this:
May Jesus Christ be praised. The pow'rs of darkness fear,
when this sweet chant they hear: May Jesus Christ be praised.

Be this, while life is mine, my canticle divine:
May Jesus Christ be praised. Be this th'eternal song,
through all the ages on: May Jesus Christ be praised.

† The Prayer of 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.**

† The Gloria Patri

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 Reading of the Law

God spoke all these words saying, "I am the LORD your God..."

- I. You shall have no other gods before Me.
- II. You shall not make for 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 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.

Hear also the words of our Lord Jesus, how He said: You shall love the Lord your God
with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.

This is the first and greatest commandment.

And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself.

On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

The Call to Confession – I John 2:4; 1:8-10; John 8:7b

Whoever says "I know Him" but does not keep His commandments is a liar, and the truth is not in him ... If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His Word is not in us. Let him who is without sin among you be the first to throw a stone.

The Silent, Personal Prayer of Confession

The Corporate Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In Your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your holy Name. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

The Assurance of God's Pardon – Isaiah 30:15, 18

In repentance and rest is your salvation, in quietness and trust is your strength, but you would have none of it. Yet the Lord longs to be gracious to you; therefore He will rise up to show you compassion. For the Lord is a God of justice. Blessed are all who wait for Him!

The Offering of His Tithes and Our Gifts Beyond the Tithe

HEARING GOD'S VOICE

The Anthem

Were You There?

arr. Haan

Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree?
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble.

Were you there when He bowed His head and died?
Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb?
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble.

Were you there when He rose up from the tomb?
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble.

The Prayer of Illumination

1 but Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. 2 Early in the morning He came again to the temple. All the people came to Him, and He sat down and taught them. 3 The scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman who had been caught in adultery, and placing her in the midst 4 they said to Him, "Teacher, this woman has been caught in the act of adultery. 5 Now in the Law, Moses commanded us to stone such women. So what do You say?" 6 This they said to test Him, that they might have some charge to bring against Him. Jesus bent down and wrote with His finger on the ground. 7 And as they continued to ask Him, He stood up and said to them, "Let him who is without sin among you be the first to throw a stone at her." 8 And once more He bent down and wrote on the ground. 9 But when they heard it, they went away one by one, beginning with the older ones, and Jesus was left alone with the woman standing before Him. 10 Jesus stood up and said to her, "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?" 11 She said, "No one, Lord." And Jesus said, "Neither do I condemn you; go, and from now on sin no more."

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.

The Sermon

CASTING THE FIRST STONE

Mr. McRoberts

John 8:1-11

The Gospel of John, XXIX

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A sermon outline may be found inside the morning announcements.

The Closing Prayer

COMMUNING WITH THE LORD JESUS CHRIST AND HIS PEOPLE

The Invitation to and Fencing of the Table

Participation requires your reverence and attention, discernment of the Lord's Body, a clear understanding of the meaning of the Lord's Supper, meditation on Christ's suffering and death, self-judgment, sorrow for sin, desire for Christ, feeding on Him in faith, trusting in Him, rejoicing in His love, giving thanks for His grace, renewal of your covenant with God and commitment to Christ, and your special love to all Christians.

† The Hymn No. 468

My Faith Has Found a Resting Place

LANDAS

My faith has found a resting place, from guilt my soul is freed;
I trust the ever-living One, His wounds for me shall plead.

*Refrain: I need no other argument, I need no other plea,
it is enough that Jesus died, and that He died for me.*

Enough for me that Jesus saves, this ends my fear and doubt;
a sinful soul I come to Him, He'll never cast me out. [*Refrain*]

My heart is leaning on the Word, the written Word of God:
salvation by my Savior's Name, salvation thro' His blood. [*Refrain*]

My great Physician heals the sick, the lost He came to save;
for me His precious blood He shed, for me His life He gave. [*Refrain*]

† The Confession of Our Faith

The Apostles' Creed

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 Prayer of Humble Access

The Words of Institution

The Serving of the Meal

Thais: Méditation

Jules Massenet

FOLLOWING GOD'S SPIRIT

† The Hymn


We Will Feast in the House of Zion

(see page 10)

† 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*):



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

The Postlude

Chant de Joie (Song of Joy)

Jean Langlais



The Sanctuary Flowers

THE SANCTUARY FLOWERS THIS LORD'S DAY ARE GIVEN
TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN HONOR OF THE MARRIAGE OF
Ellen Christian Davis and James Theodore Hoffman
AND IN LOVING MEMORY OF
Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Clisby Berry

We Will Feast in the House of Zion

Refrain



We will feast in the house of Zi - on. We will sing with our



hearts re - stored. He has done great things we will say to - ge - ther.

Verse



We will feast and weep no more.	1.We will not be
	2.In the dark of
	3.Ev - ery vow we've



burned by the fire.	He is the Lord our God.	We are not con -
nigh - t be - fore the dawn.	My soul be not a - fraid;	for the pro - mised
bro - ken and be - trayed.	You are the faith - ful One.	and_ from the



sumed by the flood.	Up - held, pro - tect - ed,	ga - thered up.
morn - ing, O how long.	O God of Ja - cob	be_ my strength.
gar - den to the grave.	Bind us to - ge - ther	bring sha - lom.

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