

THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA
NOVEMBER 14, 2021

MORNING WORSHIP

THE SILENT MEDITATION UPON ENTERING THE SANCTUARY

One there is, above all others, well deserves the name of Friend;
His is love beyond a brother's, costly, free, and knows no end.
They who once His kindness prove find it everlasting love.
Which of all our friends, to save us, could or would have shed His blood?
But our Jesus died to have us reconciled in Him to God.
This was boundless love indeed; Jesus is a Friend in need.
O for grace our hearts to soften! Teach us, Lord, at length to love,
we, alas! forget too often what a Friend we have above:
but when home our souls are brought, we will love you as we ought.

- JOHN NEWTON



APPROACHING GOD'S THRONE

The Christian Greeting and Call to Preparation

8:25 and 10:55 a.m.

The Prelude Adoration Florence Price

O God, You are my God; earnestly I seek You; my soul thirsts for You; my flesh faints for You, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water. So I have looked upon You in the sanctuary, beholding Your power and glory. Because Your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise You. So I will bless You as long as I live; in Your Name I will lift up my hands. Psalm 63:1-4

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

Spirit of the Living God Chancel Choir

Daniel Iverson

Spirit of the Living God, fall fresh on me. Break me! Melt me! Mold me! Fill me! Spirit of the Living God, fall fresh on me.

The Call to Worship

Philippians 2:9-11

Mr. Curles

Therefore God has highly exalted Him and bestowed on Him the Name that is above every name, so that at the Name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

† The Hymn

Before the Throne of God Above

(see page 12)

- † 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 Responsive Reading of the Law

Minister: 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.

All: 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 Silent, Personal Prayer of Confession

The Corporate Prayer of Lament and Hope - Psalm 42:1-6

As the deer longs for flowing streams, so my soul longs for You, O God. My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When shall I come and behold the face of God? My tears have been my food day and night, while people say to me continually, "Where is your God?" These things I remember, as I pour out my soul: how I went with the throng, and led them in procession to the house of God, with glad shouts and songs of thanksgiving, a multitude keeping festival. Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you disquieted within me? Hope in God; for I shall again praise Him, my help and my God.

The Offering of His Tithes and Our Gifts Beyond the Tithe

HEARING GOD'S VOICE

The Anthem

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

arr. Gilbert M. Martin

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?

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! Amen!

The Prayer of Illumination

Six days before the Passover, Jesus therefore came to Bethany, where Lazarus was, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. 2 So they gave a dinner for Him there. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those reclining with Him at table. 3 Mary therefore took a pound of expensive ointment made from pure nard, and anointed the feet of Jesus and wiped His feet with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. 4 But Judas Iscariot, one of His disciples (he who was about to betray Him), said, 5 "Why was this ointment not sold for three hundred denarii and given to the poor?" 6 He said this, not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief, and having charge of the moneybag he used to help himself to what was put into it. 7 Jesus said, "Leave her alone, so that she may keep it for the day of My burial. 8 For the poor you always have with you, but you do not always have Me." 9 When the large crowd of the Jews learned that Jesus was there, they came, not only on account of Him but also to see Lazarus, whom He had raised from the dead. 10 So the chief priests made plans to put Lazarus to death as well, 11 because on account of him many of the Jews were going away and believing in Jesus.

The Response of the People of God Speak, O Lord

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The Personal Preparation of the Heart

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

The Sermon

THE OUTPOURING OF EXTRAVAGANT Mr. McRoberts **LOVE FOR JESUS**

How Much is Too Much? John 12:1-11 The Gospel of John, XXXIV

OPENING COMMENTS ~ THE SETTING

INTRODUCTION

- I. EXTRAVAGANT LOVE AND UNCONTAINED WORSHIP ~ 12:1-3
- II. IMMATURE GREED AND A DECEITFUL HEART ~ 12:4-6
- III. A HALLOWED BURIEL AND A LASTING MEMORY ~ 12:7-11

CONCLUSION

The Closing Prayer

COMMUNING WITH THE LORD JESUS CHRIST AND HIS PEOPLE

The Invitation to and Fencing of the Table

Family of God, as we draw near to the Lord's Supper to celebrate Holy Communion of the Body and Blood of Christ, let us be grateful and remember that our Lord instituted this sacrament as a perpetual reminder of His dying for our sakes and as a pledge of His undying love for us.

Therefore, Jesus bids us to come to Him in this sacrament in knowledge, faith, repentance, love, and with hearts hungering and thirsting for Him. If we are willingly and stubbornly living in sin, lacking peace in our relationships with others, secretly relying on our own good works for favor with God, then we are warned by God's Word not to receive this sacrament.

But all who are truly sorry for their sins and long to be delivered from the burden of them; all who are weary from brokenness and long to be filled with the life of Christ; all who are doubting and need the assuring embrace of God; all who humbly put their trust in Christ and desire His grace that they may lead a holy life; and, all who are baptized members in an evangelical church, are invited and encouraged in His name to join us in the celebration of the Lord's Supper. Let us therefore come that we be refreshed and find rest for our souls.

If you are not in a saving relationship with God through Christ today, do not take the bread and cup, but take Christ and receive Him in your heart as those around you receive the meal. Then, immediately following the service, come and tell a minister or one of our leaders what you have done so we can prepare you to receive communion next time as a child of God.

Alas! and did my Savior bleed, and did my Sovereign die! Would He devote that sacred head for such a worm as I!

Was it for crimes that I had done He groaned upon the tree! Amazing pity! Grace unknown! And love beyond degree!

Well might the sun in darkness hide, and shut His glories in, when Christ, the mighty Maker, died for man the creature's sin.

Thus might I hide my blushing face while His dear cross appears; dissolve my heart in thankfulness, and melt mine eyes in tears.

But drops of grief can ne'er repay the debt of love I owe; here, Lord, I give myself away, 'tis all that I can do.

† 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

For Your Meditation

For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul?

Mark 8:36

How much is your soul worth? Your prestige? Your comfort? A year's wages? Safety? In Jesus' mind, there is nothing in this world, including the whole world itself, that can be given in exchange for the value of your soul to Him.

R.C. Sproul

FOLLOWING GOD'S SPIRIT

† The Hymn No. 644

May the Mind of Christ My Savior

ST. LEONARDS

May the mind of Christ my Savior live in me from day to day, by His love and pow'r controlling all I do and say.

May the Word of God dwell richly in my heart from hour to hour, so that all may see I triumph only through His pow'r.

May the peace of God my Father rule my life in everything, that I may be calm to comfort sick and sorrowing.

May the love of Jesus fill me as the waters fill the sea; Him exalting, self abasing, this is victory.

May His beauty rest upon me as I seek the lost to win, and may they forget the channel, seeing only Him.

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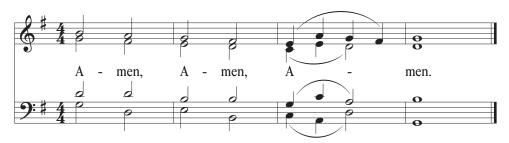
Minister: Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you wholly; and may your spirit

and soul and body be kept sound and blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He Who calls you is faithful, and He will do it. The grace of our

Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: AMEN.

The Threefold Amen (sung by all):



The Postlude

Sonata II, Mvmt. 4, Finale

Felix Mendelssohn

A reception to bid farewell to Laurie and Patrick Curles will take place during the Sunday School hour, from 9:30-10:30 a.m., in the Westminster Room.



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

Brian Felder and Jeffrey Stabler

By their families.

Before The Throne Of God Above

