



THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA

MAY 1, 2022

MORNING WORSHIP

THE SILENT MEDITATION UPON ENTERING THE SANCTUARY

Imagine yourself as a living house. God comes in to rebuild that house.

At first, perhaps, you can understand what He is doing.

He is getting the drains right and stopping the leaks in the roof and so on;

you knew that those jobs needed doing and so you are not surprised.

But presently He starts knocking the house about in a way that hurts abominably and does not seem to make any sense. What on earth is He up to? The explanation is that He is building

quite a different house from the one you thought of – throwing out a new wing here,

putting on an extra floor there, running up towers, making courtyards.

You thought you were being made into a decent little cottage: but He is building a palace.

He intends to come and live in it Himself.

— C. S. LEWIS, *MERE CHRISTIANITY*



APPROACHING GOD'S THRONE

The Christian Greeting and Call to Preparation

9:55 a.m.

The Prelude

Meditation

Maurice Duruflé

The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

John 1:5

The Striking of the Hour

The Choral Introit

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

Carlton Young

Come, Christians, join to sing: Alleluia! Amen!
Loud praise to Christ our King: Alleluia! Amen!
Let all with heart and voice, before His throne rejoice;
Praise is His gracious choice: Alleluia! Amen!

The Call to Worship

Revelation 15:3-4

Mr. Howell

Great and marvelous are Your deeds, Lord God Almighty. Just and true are Your ways,
King of the nations. Who will not fear You, Lord, and bring glory to Your Name?
For You alone are holy. All nations will come and worship before You.

† The Hymn

All Creatures of Our God and King

(see pages 7-8)

† 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 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.**

**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 Responsive Call to Confession – Psalm 32:1-6

Minister: Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.
All: **Happy are those to whom the LORD imputes no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.**
Minister: While I kept silence, my body wasted away through my groaning all day long.
All: **For day and night Your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.**
Minister: Then I acknowledged my sin to You, and I did not hide my iniquity;
All: **I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and You forgave the guilt of my sin.**
Minister: Therefore let all who are faithful offer prayer to You.

The Silent Prayer of Confession

The Assurance of God's Pardon – 1 John 1:5, 7

This is the message we have heard from God and proclaim to you, that God is Light and in God there is no darkness at all. If we walk in the Light, as God is in the Light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin.

The Offering of His Tithes and Our Gifts Beyond the Tithe

HEARING GOD'S VOICE

The Anthem

We Are Singing for the Lord Is Our Light
Maalik Camp, *soloist*; Vitalis Wagome, *djembe*

Zulu, arr. Hopson

Refrain: We are singing, for the Lord is our light.

The Lord is the strength of our lives; of whom shall we be afraid?
Though foes may be near to destroy; the Lord will be our Light. (Refrain)

When burdens are heavy to bear, our shelter is God alone.
Our feet are lifted high; yes, high upon a rock. (Refrain)

We walk in the strength of the Lord, God's love is ever sure.
We shout that the world may hear, we sing a joyful song. (Refrain)

† The Reading of God's Word

John 12:27-50

27 "Now is my soul troubled. And what shall I say? 'Father, save Me from this hour'? But for this purpose I have come to this hour. 28 Father, glorify Your Name." Then a voice came from Heaven: "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." 29 The crowd that stood there and heard it said that it had thundered. Others said, "An angel has spoken to Him." 30 Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not Mine. 31 Now is the judgment of this world; now will the ruler of this world be cast out. 32 And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to Myself." 33 He said this to show by what kind of death He was going to die. 34 So the crowd answered Him, "We have heard from the Law that the Christ remains forever. How can you say that the Son of Man must be lifted up? Who is this Son of Man?" 35 So Jesus said to them, "The Light is among you for a little while longer. Walk while you have the Light, lest darkness overtake you. The one who walks in the darkness does not know where he is going. 36 While you have the Light, believe in the Light, that you may become sons of Light." When Jesus had said these things, He departed and hid Himself from them. 37 Though He had done so many signs before them, they still did not believe in Him, 38 so that the word spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: "Lord, who has believed what he heard from us, and to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?" 39 Therefore they could not believe.

For again Isaiah said, 40 “He has blinded their eyes and hardened their heart, lest they see with their eyes, and understand with their heart, and turn, and I would heal them.” 41 Isaiah said these things because he saw His glory and spoke of Him. 42 Nevertheless, many even of the authorities believed in Him, but for fear of the Pharisees they did not confess it, so that they would not be put out of the synagogue; 43 for they loved the glory that comes from man more than the glory that comes from God. 44 And Jesus cried out and said, “Whoever believes in Me, believes not in Me but in Him Who sent Me. 45 And whoever sees Me sees Him Who sent Me. 46 I have come into the world as Light, so that whoever believes in Me may not remain in darkness. 47 If anyone hears My words and does not keep them, I do not judge him; for I did not come to judge the world but to save the world. 48 The one who rejects Me and does not receive My words has a judge; the word that I have spoken will judge him on the last day. 49 For I have not spoken on My own authority, but the Father Who sent Me has Himself given me a commandment—what to say and what to speak. 50 And I know that His commandment is eternal life. What I say, therefore, I say as the Father has told Me.”

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 Meditation and Preparation of the Heart

*Children age four through kindergarten may leave to attend Children’s Church.
They may be picked up in Room E-100 (Pre-K4) and Room E-212 (Kindergarten) after the service.*

The Sermon

UNTIL NEXT TIME

Mr. Cooper

John 12:27-50

John: The Gospel of Belief, XXXVII

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A sermon outline can be found on page 11.

FOLLOWING GOD'S SPIRIT

† The Hymn

O Christ, Our King, Forever Lord

(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 turn His face toward you and give you peace.

The Threefold Amen (*sung by all*):



The Postlude

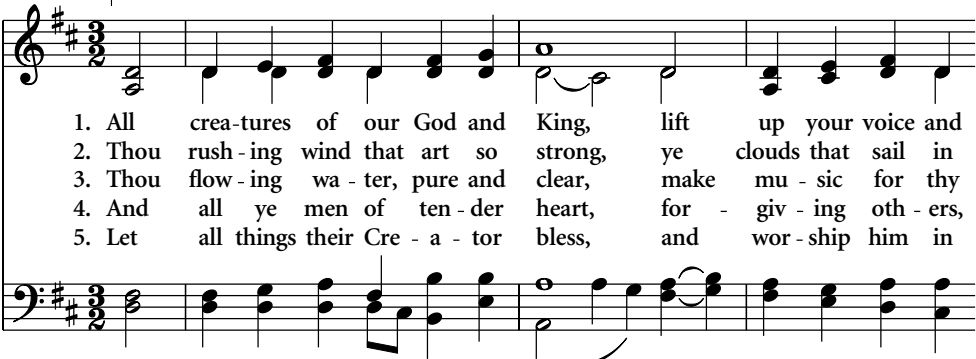
Sortie on 'O Filii et Filiae'

Frere Georges

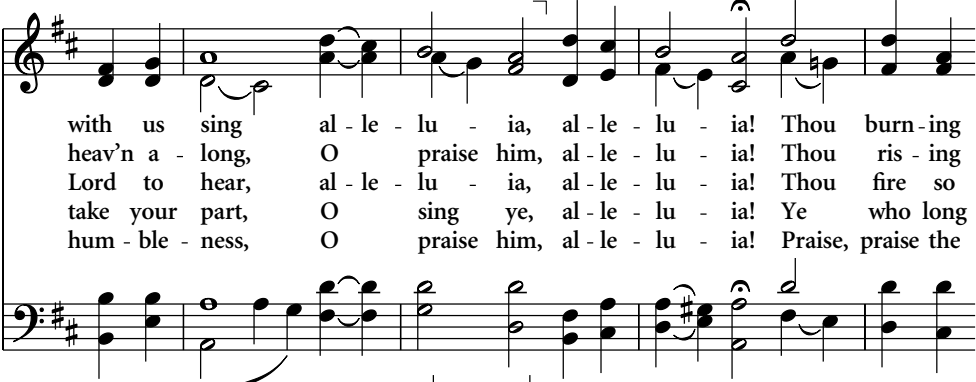
(Exit on 'O Sons and Daughters Let Us Sing!')

*O sons and daughters of the King,
whom heavenly hosts in glory sing,
now death and hell have lost their sting.
Alleluia!*


All Creatures of Our God and King



1. All crea-tures of our God and King, lift up your voice and
 2. Thou rush-ing wind that art so strong, ye clouds that sail in
 3. Thou flow-ing wa-ter, pure and clear, make mu-sic for thy
 4. And all ye men of ten-der heart, for-giv-ing oth-ers,
 5. Let all things their Cre-a-tor bless, and wor-ship him in

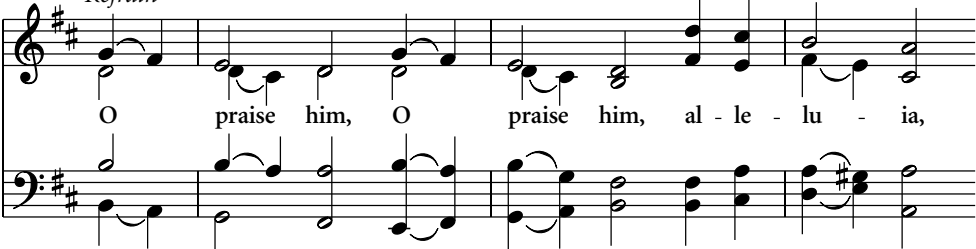


with us sing al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia! Thou burn-ing
 heav'n a-long, O praise him, al-le-lu-ia! Thou ris-ing
 Lord to hear, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia! Thou fire so
 take your part, O sing ye, al-le-lu-ia! Ye who long
 hum-ble-ness, O praise him, al-le-lu-ia! Praise, praise the



sun with gold-en beam, thou sil-ver moon with soft-er gleam,
 morn in praise re-joice, ye lights of eve-ning, find a voice,
 mas-ter-ful and bright, that giv-est man both warmth and light,
 pain and sor-row bear, praise God and on him cast your care,
 Fa-ther praise the Son, and praise the Spir-it, three in one,

Refrain



O praise him, O praise him, al-le-lu-ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

The musical score is written for a vocal part and a piano accompaniment. The key signature is G major (one sharp, F#). The vocal line is in the treble clef, and the piano accompaniment is in the bass clef. The tempo is marked 'Allegretto'.

The vocal line consists of the following notes: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), A4-G4 (beamed eighth notes), F#4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), D4 (half), and C4 (half). The lyrics are: al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

The piano accompaniment consists of the following chords and notes: G2-A2 (quarter), B1 (quarter), C2 (quarter), D2 (quarter), E2 (quarter), F#2 (quarter), G2 (quarter), and A2 (quarter). The lyrics are: al - le - lu - ia!

Thou Lovely Source of True Delight



1. Thou love - ly Source of true de - light, whom I un - seen a - dore!
2. Thy glo - ry o'er cre - a - tion shines; but in thy sa - cred word,
3. 'Tis here, when-e'er my com-forts droop, and sin and sor - row rise,
4. But ah! too soon the pleas-ing scene is cloud - ed o'er with pain;
5. Je - sus, my Lord, my life, my light! Oh, come with bliss - ful ray;
6. Then shall my soul with rap - ture trace the won - ders of thy love:



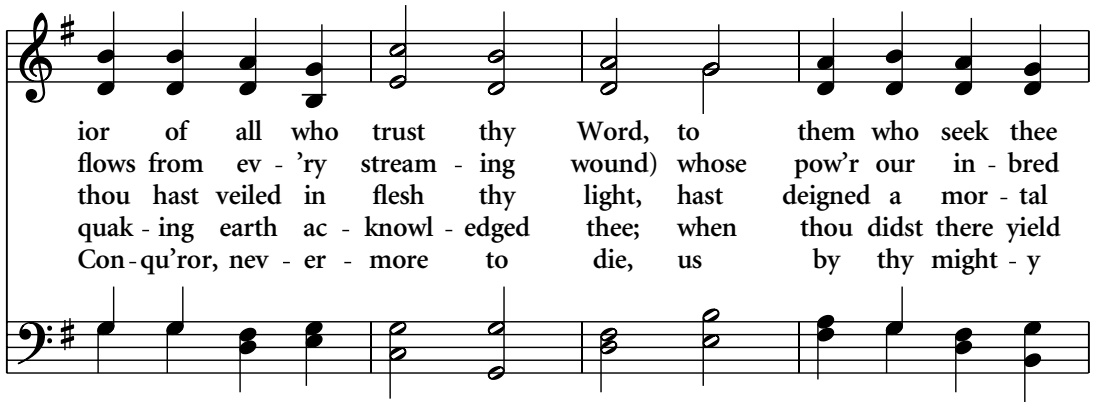
Un - veil thy beau - ties to my sight, that I may love thee more.
I read, in fair - er, bright-er lines, my bleed-ing, dy - ing Lord.
thy love, with cheer - ing beams of hope, my faint-ing heart sup - plies.
my gloom - y fears rise dark be-tween, and I a - gain com - plain.
break ra-diant through the shades of night, and chase my fears a - way.
but the full glo - ries of thy face are on - ly known a - bove.



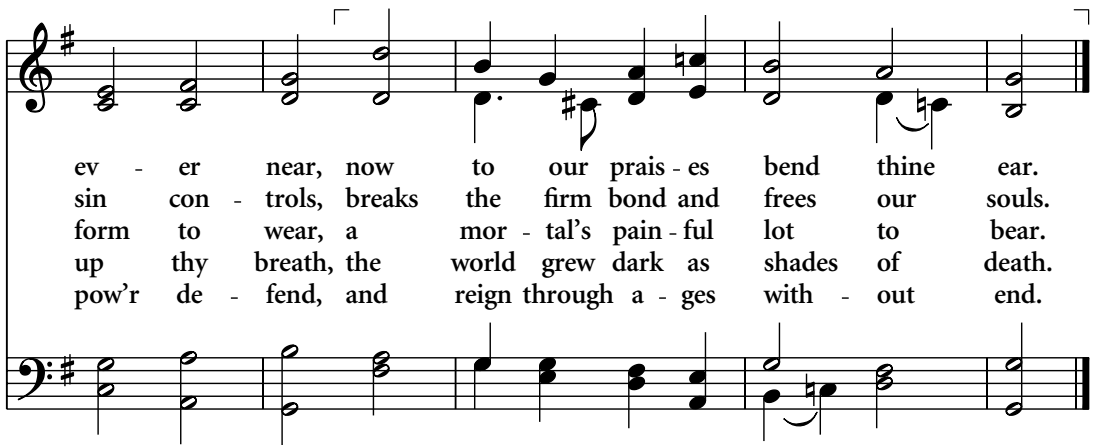
O Christ, Our King, Creator, Lord



1. O Christ, our King, Cre - a - tor, Lord, Sav -
 2. In thy dear cross a grace is found (it
 3. Thou didst cre - ate the stars of night; yet
 4. When thou didst hang up - on the tree, the
 5. Now in the Fa - ther's glo - ry high, great



ior of all who trust thy Word, to them who seek thee
 flows from ev - 'ry stream - ing wound) whose pow'r our in - bred
 thou hast veiled in flesh thy light, hast deigned a mor - tal
 quak - ing earth ac - knowl - edged thee; when thou didst there yield
 Con-qu'ror, nev - er - more to die, us by thy might - y



ev - er near, now to our prais - es bend thine ear.
 sin con - trols, breaks the firm bond and frees our souls.
 form to wear, a mor - tal's pain - ful lot to bear.
 up thy breath, the world grew dark as shades of death.
 pow'r de - fend, and reign through a - ges with - out end.

UNTIL NEXT TIME

John 12:27-50

John: The Gospel of Belief, XXXVII

I. THE HOUR

- a. The Son's Self-talk
- b. The Father's Statement

II. THE CROSS

- a. Judges the World
- b. Deposits the Ruler of this World
- c. Draws All People to Christ

III. THE LIGHT AND THE DARKNESS