

THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA

JUNE 19, 2022

MORNING WORSHIP

THE SILENT MEDITATION UPON ENTERING THE SANCTUARY

*Union with Christ is the foundation of
all our spiritual experience and all our spiritual blessings.*

— SINCLAIR FERGUSON

*Rid me, good Lord, of every diverting thing.
Cut away everything that is a loss to keep and gain to lose.*

— AMY CARMICHAEL



APPROACHING GOD'S THRONE

The Christian Greeting and Call to Preparation

9:55 a.m.

The Prelude

Cantabile

Cesar Franck

*And He humbled you and let you hunger and fed you with manna, which you did not know,
nor did your fathers know, that He might make you know that man does not live by bread alone,
but man lives by every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord.
But now, O Lord, You are our Father; we are the clay, and You are our potter;
we are all the work of Your hand. Be not so terribly angry, O Lord,
and remember not iniquity forever. Behold, please look, we are all Your people.*

Deuteronomy 8:3; Isaiah 64:8-9

The Striking of the Hour

The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid? One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to inquire in His temple. To the King of Ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

† The Hymn

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

(see page 8)

† 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.**

SEEKING GOD'S FACE

The Corporate Prayer of Confession – Psalm 25:6-8, 11, 16-18,

Be mindful of Your mercy, O LORD, and of Your steadfast love, for they have been from of old. Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to Your steadfast love remember me, for Your goodness' sake, O LORD! Good and upright is the LORD; therefore He instructs sinners in the way. For Your Name's sake, O LORD, pardon my guilt, for it is great. Turn to me and be gracious to me, for I am lonely and afflicted. Relieve the troubles of my heart, and bring me out of my distress. Consider my affliction and my trouble, and forgive all my sins.

The Silent, Personal Prayer of Confession

Personal Meditation – The Third Commandment

The third commandment is: You shall not misuse the Name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not hold anyone guiltless who misuses His Name.

Q. 54. What does the third commandment require?

A. The third commandment requires the holy and reverent use of God's Names, titles, qualities, regulations, Word, and works.

Q. 55. What does the third commandment forbid?

A. The third commandment forbids our treating as unholy or abusing anything God uses to make Himself known.

The Assurance of God's Pardon – Psalm 84:11

Child of the Living God, the LORD God is a sun and shield; the LORD bestows favor and honor. No good thing does He withhold from those who walk uprightly. Know His forgiveness, and walk in peace.

† The Hymn

Abide With Me

(see page 9)

The Offering of His Tithes and Our Gifts Beyond the Tithe

HEARING GOD'S VOICE

The Anthem

From All That Dwell Below the Skies

Gordon Young

From all that dwell below the skies, let the Creator's praise arise;
Let the Redeemer's Name be sung through every land, by every tongue.

Eternal are Thy mercies, Lord; eternal truth attends Thy Word:
Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore, 'til suns shall rise and set no more.

From all that dwell below the skies, let the Creator's praise arise;
Let the Redeemer's Name be sung through every land, by every tongue!

† The Reading of God's Word

The Old Testament Lesson

Psalm 80:8-10, 14-18

8 You brought a vine out of Egypt; You drove out the nations and planted it. 9 You cleared the ground for it; it took deep root and filled the land. 10 The mountains were covered with its shade, the mighty cedars with its branches. 14 Turn again, O God of hosts! Look down from Heaven, and see; have regard for this vine, 15 the stock that Your right hand planted, and for the Son Whom You made strong for Yourself. 16 They have burned it with fire; they have cut it down; may they perish at the rebuke of Your face! 17 But let Your hand be on the Man of Your right hand, the Son of man Whom You have made strong for Yourself! 18 Then we shall not turn back from You; give us life, and we will call upon Your Name!

The New Testament Lesson

John 15:1-8

I am the True Vine, and My Father is the Vinedresser. 2 Every branch in Me that does not bear fruit He takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit He prunes, that it may bear more fruit. 3 Already you are clean because of the word that I have spoken to you. 4 Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me. 5 I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in Me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from Me you can do nothing. 6 If anyone does not abide in Me he is thrown away like a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. 7 If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. 8 By this My Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be My disciples.

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.**

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

ABIDE IN ME

Mr. McRoberts

Bearing the Fruit of the Vine

John 15:1-8

John: The Gospel of Belief, XLIV

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A sermon outline can be found on page 11.

The Closing Prayer

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The Words of Instruction and Exhortation

✠ The Hymn of Preparation *'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus* (see page 10)

✠ The Introduction of the Covenant Families

JACOB CALHOUN HARPER V

Parents: Landon and Jacob Harper

Assisting: Ruling Elder/Shepherd Jim Byram

FORREST ANDERSON HALL

Parents: Rachel and Luke Hall

Siblings: Becca and Reese Hall

Assisting: Ruling Elder/Shepherd Stephen Morris

✠ 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 Biblical Promise

For to you is the promise, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call unto Him. And I will establish My covenant between Me and you and your seed after you throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be a God unto you and to your seed after you. Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you shall be saved, you and your household (Acts 2:39; Genesis 17:7; Acts 16:31). All authority in Heaven and on earth has been given to Me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age (Matthew 28:18-20).

The Covenant Vows

1. Do you acknowledge your child's need of the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ, and the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit?
2. Do you claim God's covenant promises on his behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for his salvation, as you do your own?
3. Do you now unreservedly dedicate your child to God, and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before him a godly example, that you will pray with and for him, that you will teach him the doctrines of our holy religion, and that you will strive, by all the means of God's appointment, to bring him up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?

Vow of the Congregation

Do you as a congregation undertake the responsibility of assisting these parents in the Christian nurture of their children?

The Baptisms

The Baptismal Benediction

The Covenant Prayer

FOLLOWING GOD'S SPIRIT

† 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.**

† The Benediction of God's Grace

The Threefold Amen (*sung by all*)

The Postlude

Trio Sonata No. 1, Mvmt. I Allegro

J. S. Bach

*For as the new heavens and the new earth that I make
shall remain before Me, says the Lord,
so shall your offspring and your name remain.
From new moon to new moon, and from Sabbath to Sabbath,
all flesh shall come to worship before Me, declares the Lord.
Isaiah 66:22-23*



Following the service, the congregation is encouraged to greet the covenant families at the front of the church. Join them in their excitement, thanksgiving and anticipation of God's faithfulness to His covenant promises. Please use this time to assure them that you will indeed be there for them in prayer, with encouragement, as a source of refuge and partnership, as well as an aid in instructing their children in the fear and admonition of the Lord.

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

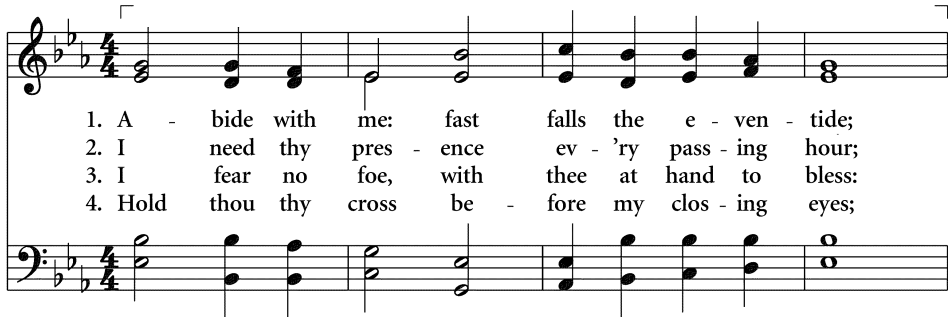
1. Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
 2. Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing and si - lent as light,
 3. To all, life thou giv - est, to both great and small,
 4. Great Fa - ther of glo - ry, pure Fa - ther of light,

in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
 nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might;
 in all life thou liv - est, the true life of all;
 thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;

most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
 thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove
 we blos - som and flour - ish as leaves on the tree,
 all praise we would ren - der; O help us to see

al - might - y, vic - to - rious, thy great name we praise.
 thy clouds which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
 and with - er and per - ish, but naught chang - eth thee.
 'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee!

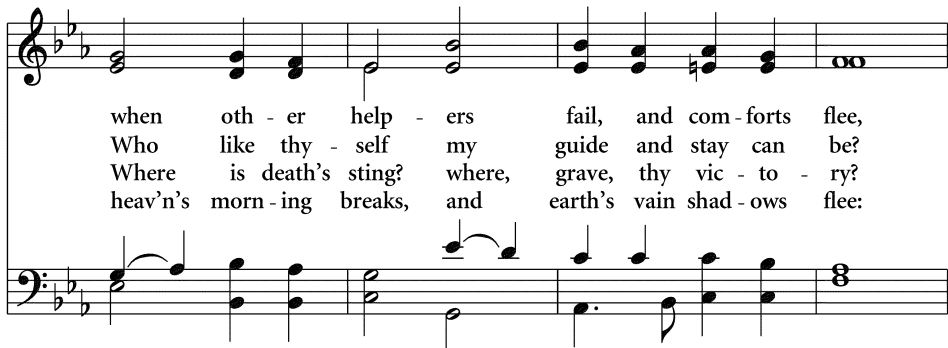
Abide with Me: Fast Falls the Eventide



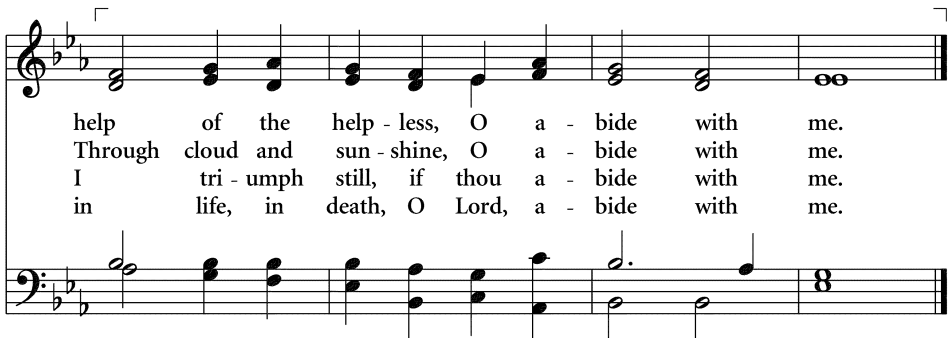
1. A - bide with me: fast falls the e - ven - tide;
 2. I need thy pres - ence ev - 'ry pass - ing hour;
 3. I fear no foe, with thee at hand to bless:
 4. Hold thou thy cross be - fore my clos - ing eyes;



the dark - ness deep - ens; Lord, with me a - bide:
 what but thy grace can foil the tempt - er's pow'r?
 ills have no weight, and tears no bit - ter - ness.
 shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies:

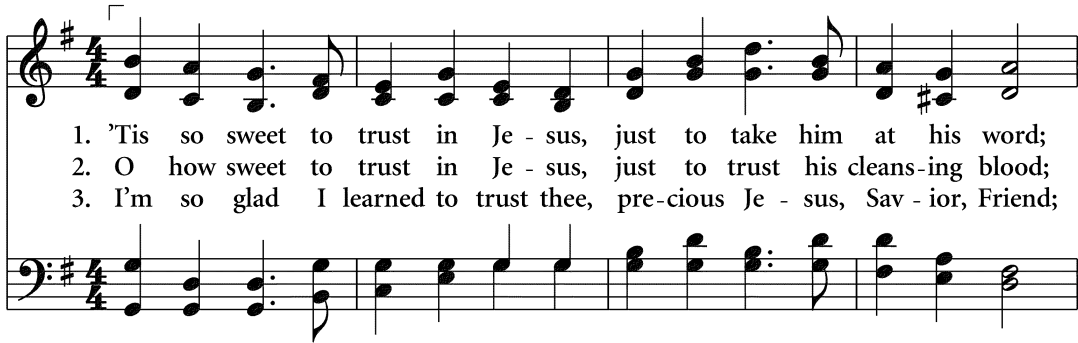


when oth - er help - ers fail, and com - forts flee,
 Who like thy - self my guide and stay can be?
 Where is death's sting? where, grave, thy vic - to - ry?
 heav'n's morn - ing breaks, and earth's vain shad - ows flee:

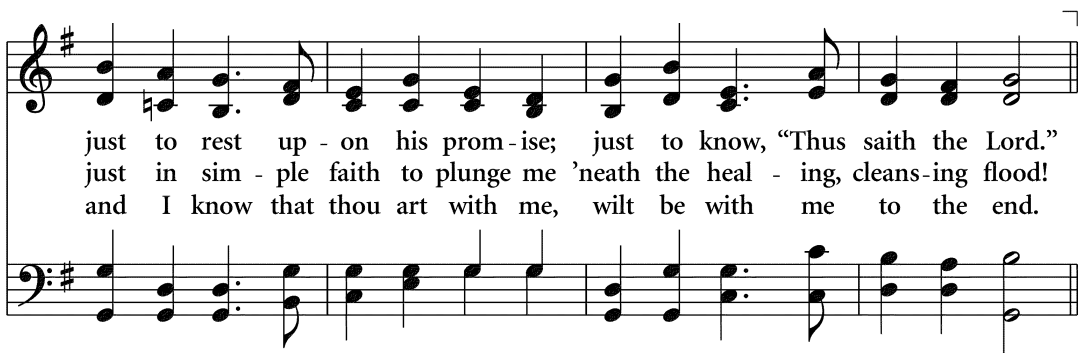


help of the help - less, O a - bide with me.
 Through cloud and sun - shine, O a - bide with me.
 I tri - umph still, if thou a - bide with me.
 in life, in death, O Lord, a - bide with me.

'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

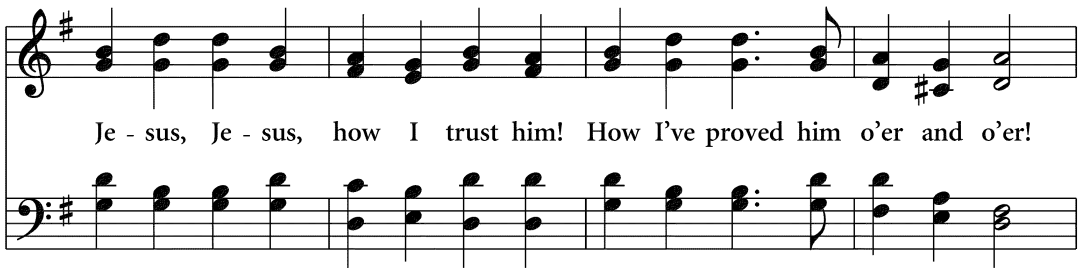


1. 'Tis so sweet to trust in Je - sus, just to take him at his word;
2. O how sweet to trust in Je - sus, just to trust his cleans-ing blood;
3. I'm so glad I learned to trust thee, pre-cious Je - sus, Sav - ior, Friend;



just to rest up - on his prom-ise; just to know, "Thus saith the Lord."
just in sim - ple faith to plunge me 'neath the heal - ing, cleans-ing flood!
and I know that thou art with me, wilt be with me to the end.

Refrain



Je - sus, Je - sus, how I trust him! How I've proved him o'er and o'er!



Je - sus, Je - sus, pre - cious Je - sus! O for grace to trust him more!

ABIDE IN ME
Bearing the Fruit of the Vine
John 15:1-8
John: The Gospel of Belief, XLIV

INTRODUCTION

This morning's thesis: I am no longer a slave to sin; sin has no dominion over me. I abide in Jesus Christ. My union IN Him as well as my communion and fellowship WITH Him are never broken. I abide in Him; He abides in me. And I remain in Him ~ forever. And IN Him and FOR Him I bear much fruit. HE IS THE VINE; I AM THE BRANCH.

I. THE TRUE VINE, THE CROWN GARDENER, AND THE LUSH FOLIAGE ~ 15:1-2

For Further Study and Encouragement: Psalm 80:8-10; 84:11; Isaiah 5:1-2, 7, 53:2; Jeremiah 2:21; Ezekiel 15, 19:10; Hosea 10:1; Matthew 3:17, 17:5; Mark 9:7; Luke 9:35; John 4:24; Galatians 2:20

Consider "Abide in Me:"

- 1. Always at the forefront of our minds is: it is a work of God ... by grace.*
- 2. Draw near to God; He will draw near to you.*
- 3. Immerse yourself in His Word.*
- 4. The closer His Word, the greater your obedience. The greater your obedience, the swifter your repentance; the swifter your repentance, the closer you are to Jesus; And the stronger your hold on the Vine, the greater the fruit.*
- 5. Yes, cling to Him with every fiber of your being ... as if your last breath depended on it.*
- 6. Realize there will be times when you feel the pruning but you don't see the fruit.*
- 7. Keep close accounts on all your wishes, desires, choices, and decisions.*
- 8. Follow the Holy Spirit. Stay in close contact with the Spirit; follow His lead ... THROUGH HIS WORD.*
- 9. Allow the negative consequences of life to have a positive impact upon your life, decisions, choices, obedience, worship, abiding in grace, abiding in Jesus.*
- 10. And watch the impact it has on your prayer life.*

II. THE ENCOURAGING OUTCOME OF UNION WITH THE VINE ~ 15:3-7

For Further Study and Encouragement: Psalm 84:11; 119:9; 130:5; John 3:1ff; Acts 21:24, 23:1; Romans 3:12; 8:7-8; I Corinthians 1:9; 13:13; II Corinthians 10:15; Galatians 5:16-17; Ephesians 2:1, 8-10; James 2:18-26, 4:8; I Timothy 1:5, 19; I John 1:6-7

CONCLUSION ~ 15:8