

THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA

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MORNING WORSHIP

THE SILENT MEDITATION UPON ENTERING THE SANCTUARY

The failure of Pilate's plan teaches us an important lesson: it takes more than human sentiment to bring the lost sinner to salvation. There is a view of the Atonement called "the moral influence theory" that would fit right into the governor's approach. It states that the realization of our Lord's sufferings moves the heart of the sinner so that he turns from sin and begins to love God. It is purely subjective and has no bearing on the holiness of God or the importance of satisfying divine justice.

The cross involves much more than an exhibition of innocent suffering. On that cross, the Son of God paid the price for the sins of the world and thereby declared the love of God and defended the holiness and justice of God. We are not saved by feeling pity for Jesus. We are saved by repenting of our sins and trusting Jesus, the sinless Substitute. "If Christ was not actually doing something by His death," wrote Dr. Leon Morris, "then we are confronted with a piece of showmanship, nothing more."

This does not mean that it is wrong for the believer to contemplate the cross and meditate on Christ's sufferings. The familiar hymn "When I Survey the Wond'rous Cross" helps us realize afresh the price that Jesus paid for us, but we must not confuse sentimentality with true spiritual emotion. It is one thing to shed tears during a church service and quite something else to sacrifice, suffer, and serve after the meeting has ended. We do not simply contemplate the cross; we carry it.

- WARREN WIERSBE



APPROACHING GOD'S THRONE

The Christian Greeting and Call to Preparation

9:55 a.m.

The PreludeLocus IsteAnton BrucknerTrombone Quartet: Jonathan Houghling, Brandon Slocumb, Jason Sulliman, Matthew Wood

O Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells. Psalm 26:8

The Striking of the Hour

+ Congregation, please stand as able

Laud and honor to the Father, laud and honor to the Son, Laud and honor to the Spirit, ever Three and ever One, One in might and One in glory, while undending ages run.

†	The Call to Wor	ship Exodus 34:6-8	Mr. Howell	
our salvation! Let us come into His prese		Oh come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful our salvation! Let us come into His presence with that a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise! For the LOR	ence with thanksgiving; let us make	
		a great King above all gods.		
People: In His hand are the depths of the earth; the he		In His hand are the depths of the earth; the heights	of the mountains are	
	His also. The sea is His, for He made it, and His ha		ds formed the dry	
		land. Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us	. Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the	
		LORD, our Maker!		
	Minister:	For He is our God, and we are the people of His pasture, and the sheep of		
		His hand. Today, if you hear His voice, do not harden your hearts		
†	The Hymn	All Creatures of Our God and King	(see page 7)	

🕈 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.

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 - 1 Corinthians 2:2

For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and Him crucified.

The Corporate Prayer of Confession

Lord Jesus, we have sinned times without number, and been guilty of pride and unbelief, and of neglecting to seek You in our daily lives. Our sins and shortcomings present us with a list of accusations, but we thank You that they will not stand against us, for all have been laid on Christ. Deliver us from every evil habit, every interest of former sins, everything that dims the brightness of Your grace in us, everything that prevents us taking delight in You. Amen.

The Silent, Personal Prayer of Confession

The Assurance of God's Pardon

Child of God, know that He appeared in order to take away sin, and in Him there is no sin. He has cancelled your debt that stood against you. This He set aside, nailing it to the cross. You have been redeemed from the curse of law because your dear Savior was cursed for you as He hung on the cross. Believe this, and live with assurance and in peace.

The Pastoral Prayer

🕈 The Hymn

The Offering of His Tithes and Our Gifts Beyond the Tithe

HEARING GOD'S VOICE

The Offertory Anthem Arise, My Soul, Arise Mary Clare Johnson, violin; Alice Williams, piano

Dan Forrest

Arise, my soul, arise, shake off thy guilty fears: The bleeding Sacrifice in my behalf appears: Before the throne my Surety stands. My name is written on His hands. Five bleeding wounds He bears, received on Calvary, They pour effectual prayers, they strongly plead for me: "Forgive him, O, forgive," they cry, "Nor let that ransomed sinner die." My God is reconciled, His voice I hear, He owns me for His child, I can no longer fear; With confidence I now draw nigh, And "Father, Abba, Father," cry. Arise my soul, arise!

The Prayer of Illumination

✤ The Reading of God's Word

The Old Testament Lesson

Portions of Isaiah 53

2 For He grew up before Him like a young plant, and like a root out of dry ground; He had no form or majesty that we should look at Him, and no beauty that we should desire Him. 3 He was despised and rejected by men, a Man of sorrows and acquainted with grief; and as One from Whom men hide their faces, He was despised, and we esteemed Him not. 4 Surely He has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed Him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. 5 But He was pierced for our transgressions; He was crushed for our iniquities; upon Him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with His wounds we are healed. 6 All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned—everyone—to his own way; and the LORD has laid on Him the iniquity of us all. 7 He was oppressed, and He was afflicted, yet He opened not His mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so He opened not His mouth. 10 Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush Him; He has put Him to grief; when His soul makes an offering for guilt, He shall see His offspring; He shall prolong His days; the will of the LORD shall prosper in His hand. 11 Out of the anguish of His soul He shall see and be satisfied; by His knowledge shall the righteous One, My Servant, make many to be accounted righteous, and He shall bear their iniquities. 12 Therefore I will divide Him a portion with the many, and He shall divide the spoil with the strong, because He poured out His soul to death and was numbered with the transgressors; yet He bore the sin of many, and makes intercession for the transgressors.

The New Testament Lesson

John 19:1-16

1 Then Pilate took Jesus and flogged Him. 2 And the soldiers twisted together a crown of thorns and put it on His head and arrayed Him in a purple robe. 3 They came up to Him, saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!" and struck Him with their hands. 4 Pilate went out again and said to them, "See, I am bringing Him out to you that you may know that I find no guilt in Him." 5 So Jesus came out, wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe. Pilate said to them, "Behold the Man!" 6 When the chief priests and the officers saw Him, they cried out, "Crucify Him, crucify Him!" Pilate said to them, "Take Him yourselves and crucify Him, for I find no guilt in Him." 7 The Jews answered him, "We have a law, and according to that law He ought to die because He has made Himself the Son of God." 8 When Pilate heard this statement, he was even more afraid. 9 He entered his headquarters again and said to Jesus. "Where are You from?" But Jesus gave him no answer. 10 So Pilate said to Him, "You will not speak to me? Do you not know that I have authority to release You and authority to crucify You?" 11 Jesus answered him, "You would have no authority over Me at all unless it had been given you from above. Therefore he who delivered Me over to you has the greater sin." 12 From then on Pilate sought to release Him, but the Jews cried out, "If you release this Man, you are not Caesar's friend. Everyone who makes himself a king opposes Caesar." 13 So when Pilate heard these words. he brought Jesus out and sat down on the judgment seat at a place called The Stone Pavement, and in Aramaic Gabbatha. 14 Now it was the day of Preparation of the Passover. It was about the sixth hour. He said to the Jews, "Behold your King!" 15 They cried out, "Away with Him, away with Him, crucify Him!" Pilate said to them, "Shall I crucify your King?" The chief priests answered, "We have no king but Caesar." 16 So He delivered Him over to them to be crucified.

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. They may be picked up in Room E-100 (Pre-K4) and Room E-105 (Kindergarten) after the service.

The Sermon

CHOOSING YOUR KING

Mr. McRoberts

What Will You Do with Jesus? John 19:1-16 John: The Gospel of Belief, LVIII

A sermon outline can be found on page 10.

The Closing Prayer

FOLLOWING GOD'S SPIRIT

🕈 The Hymn

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

(see page 9)

† The Benediction of God's Grace

The Threefold Amen (sung by all)

The Postlude

Achieved Is the Glorious Work (from The Creation) Franz Joseph Haydn The Trombone Quartet

Achieved is the glorious work. Our song let be the praise of God. Glory to His Name for ever! Our God on high exalted reigns, Hallelujah!



My Jesus, I Love Thee





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INTRODUCTION

For Further Study and Encouragement: Mark 15:10; I Corinthians 2:2

i. pilate: driven by fear ~ 19:1-10

For Further Study and Encouragement: Psalm 50:6; 56:10-11; 118:6; Proverbs 8:15-16; Isaiah 52:14; Matthew 10:28-33; Mark 18:33; 15:15; II Corinthians 5:21; I Peter 2:22; I John 3:5

II. JESUS: DRIVEN BY LOVE ~ 19:11

For Further Study and Encouragement: Matthew 25:34; I Corinthians 2:2; II Corinthians 5:14-15

III. JEWISH RELIGIOUS LEADERSHIP: DRIVEN BY POWER ~ ~ 19:12-16

For Further Study and Encouragement: I Samuel 8:5-7; Psalm 2:4-5; Matthew 27:24; Acts 7:51; Romans 10:21

CONCLUSION

For Further Study and Encouragement: Deuteronomy 7:7; Joshua 24:15; Proverbs 17:17; Psalm 95:7; Isaiah 53:5-6; John 20:31; II Corinthians 6:2; Galatians 2:20; Hebrews 3:3, 15

If 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.



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