

THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA
OCTOBER 23, 2022

MORNING WORSHIP

THE SILENT MEDITATION UPON ENTERING THE SANCTUARY

There is a fountain filled with blood, drawn from Immanuel's veins; and sinners, plunged beneath that flood, lose all their guilty stains.

The dying thief rejoiced to see that fountain in his day; and there have I, as vile as he, washed all my sins away.

Then in a nobler, sweeter song, I'll sing Your pow'r to save, when this poor lisping, stamm'ring tongue lies silent in the grave.

- WILLIAM COWPER, 1771



APPROACHING GOD'S THRONE

The Christian Greeting and Call to Preparation

9:55 a.m.

The Organ Prelude

The Striking of the Hour

The Choral Introit

Alleluia! Alleluia! Glory Be to God on High!

Carl F. Mueller

Alleluia! Alleluia! Glory be to God on high! Alleluia to the Savior Who has won the victory! Alleluia! Alleluia! To the Triune Majesty! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Call to Worship

Psalm 145:10-13

Mr. Cooper

Sing to the Lord, praise His Name; proclaim His salvation day after day. Declare His glory among the nations, His marvelous deeds among all peoples. For great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; He is to be feared above all gods.

- † 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 Call to Confession – Acts 4:12

And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other Name under Heaven given among men by which we must be saved.

The Corporate Prayer of Confession

O God, we praise You that You have given all authority to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. He is the King of kings, and Lord of lords, and worthy of all of our honor and service. Yet, our Father, we confess that we are often timid stewards of Your Kingdom: we are sometimes fearful to utter Your Name; slow to follow where You would lead us; doubtful that You will sustain and strengthen us. Father, be merciful to us in our frailty and failure, in our fear and our doubt. May we rest in Your forgiving love, Your omnipotent sovereignty, Your omniscient wisdom. Give us grace to rely wholly on You, trusting that in our weakness is Your strength.

The Silent, Personal Prayer of Confession

The Assurance of God's Pardon - Colossians 1:13-14

He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the Kingdom of His beloved Son, in Whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. Friends, believe the Good News of the gospel: in Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

The Offering of His Tithes and Our Gifts Beyond the Tithe

HEARING GOD'S VOICE

The Offertory Anthem

How Bright Is the Day

Early American Folk Melody, arr. Howard Helvey

How bright is the day when the Christian receives the sweet message to come,

To rise to the mansions of glory, and be there forever at home.

The angels stand ready and waiting, the moment the spirit is gone,

To carry it upward to Heaven, and welcome it safely at home.

The saints that have gone up before us all raise a new shout as we come,

And sing hallelujah the louder to welcome the traveler home;

To rise to the mansions of glory, and be there forever at home.

The Prayer of Illumination

† The Reading of God's Word

John 19:17-27

17 He went out, bearing His own cross, to the place called The Place of a Skull, which in Aramaic is called Golgotha. 18 There they crucified Him, and with Him two others, one on either side, and Jesus between them. 19 Pilate also wrote an inscription and put it on the cross. It read, "Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews." 20 Many of the Jews read this inscription, for the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city, and it was written in Aramaic, in Latin, and in Greek. 21 So the chief priests of the Jews said to Pilate, "Do not write, 'The King of the Jews,' but rather, 'This man said, I am King of the Jews." 22 Pilate answered, "What I have written I have written." 23 When the soldiers had crucified Jesus, they took His garments and divided them into four parts, one part for each soldier; also His tunic. But the tunic was seamless, woven in one piece from top to bottom, 24 so they said to one another, "Let us not tear it, but cast lots for it to see whose it shall be." This was to fulfill the Scripture which says, "They divided My garments among them, and for My clothing they cast lots." So the soldiers did these things, 25 but standing by the cross of Jesus were His mother and His mother's sister, Mary, the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. 26 When Jesus saw His mother and the disciple whom He loved standing nearby, He said to His mother, "Woman, behold, your son!" 27 Then He said to the disciple, "Behold, your mother!" And from that hour the disciple took her to his own home.

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-105 (Kindergarten) after the service.

The Sermon

LIFT HIGH THE CROSS

Mr. McRoberts

Subplots Surrounding the Crucifixion John 19:17-27 John: The Gospel of Belief, LIX

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A sermon outline can be found on page 9.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The Words of Instruction and Exhortation

† The Hymn of Preparation There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood

(see page 7)

† The Introduction of the Covenant Family

JAMES MAC JONES

Parents: Alisa and Richard Jones Siblings: Wils and Alice Jones

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

The Covenant Vows

- 1. Do you acknowledge Mac'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 Mac 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 Mac?

The Baptism

The Baptismal Benediction

The Covenant Prayer

FOLLOWING GOD'S SPIRIT

† The Hymn Fill Thou My Life, O Lord My God

(see page 8)

The Benediction of God's Grace

The Threefold Amen (sung by all)

The Organ Postlude

Praeludium in G Major

Dietrich Buxtehude

Following the service, the congregation is encouraged to greet Alisa and Richard at the front of Trinity Hall. 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 Mac in the fear and admonition of the Lord.

Lift High the Cross



There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood



Fill Thou My Life, O Lord My God



LIFT HIGH THE CROSS

Subplots Surrounding the Crucifixion
John 19:17-27

John: The Gospel of Belief, LIX

I. JOHN'S MOTIVE IN HIS DESCRIPTION OF THE CRUCIFIXION ~ 19:17-18a

For Further Study and Encouragement: I Samuel 2:2; Isaiah 53:4-6; Mark 10:45; John 20:30-31; Romans 5:8; 8:32; I Peter 2:24; I John 2:2

II. JOHN'S REASON FOR HIS SELECTIVE DESCRIPTION OF THE CRUCIFIXION ~ 19:18b-27

- A. The Story of Two Thieves ~ vs. 18b
- B. The Inscription of a King ~ vs. 19-22
- C. The Soldiers and Jesus' Clothes ~ vs. 23-24
- D. The Faithful at the Foot of the Cross ~ vs. 25-27

For Further Study and Encouragement: Psalm 22:18; 34:20; Isaiah 53:12; Mark 15:20-21; Luke 2:34-35; John 3:16-17; Acts 4:12; Romans 16:13; Colossians 2:13-14; Revelation 1:7

Cf. the Crucifixion: Matthew 27:31-56; Mark 15:20-41; Luke 23:26-49

CONCLUSION



A JOINT SERVICE OF WORSHIP WITH THE SOUTHEAST ALABAMA PRESBYTERY

REFORMATION SUNDAY

OCTOBER 30, 2022 | 6:00 P.M. | TRINITY HALL

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.

