



THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA

FEBRUARY 26, 2023

MORNING WORSHIP

THE SILENT MEDITATION UPON ENTERING THE SANCTUARY

*Missionary zeal does not grow out of intellectual beliefs,
nor out of theological arguments, but out of love.*

— ROLAND ALLEN (1868-1947), ENGLISH MISSIONARY TO CHINA



APPROACHING GOD'S THRONE

The Christian Greeting and Call to Preparation

9:55 a.m.

The Prelude

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty LOBE DEN HERREN, arr. Wolff
Michael Huff and Bryan Reeves, *trumpets*

*Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that has life and breath, come now with praises before Him.
Let the Amen sound from His people again; gladly forever adore Him.*
Joachim Neander (1650-1680)

The Striking of the Hour

The Choral Introit

Shu Iesu No, Megumi Yo

AZMON

Sung in Japanese:

O grace of the Son Jesus, O love of the Father, O power of the Spirit, O Trinity!

Sung in English:

O for a thousand tongues to sing, our great Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of His grace!

† Indicates the congregation standing

• Indicates seating for those detained

† The Call to Worship – Psalm 145:10-12 (*congregation reads bold type*)

Mr. Howell

All Your works shall give thanks to You, O LORD,

And all Your saints shall bless You!

They shall speak of the glory of Your Kingdom and tell of Your power,

To make known to the children of man Your mighty deeds,

And the glorious splendor of Your Kingdom.

•† The Processional Hymn

Lift High the Cross

(*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 – Ezekial 33:11

As I live, declares the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from his way and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways, for why will you die, O house of Israel?

The Corporate Prayer of Confession

Adapted from the Book of Common Prayer, 1928

Almighty and merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against Your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done, and there is no health in us. O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent, according to Your promises declared in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O merciful Father, for His sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of Your Holy Name. Amen.

The Silent Prayers of Confession

The Assurance of God's Pardon – John 3:16

For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through Him.

The Pastoral Prayer

• † The Hymn *God of Mercy, God of Grace* (see page 8)

The Announcements

The Offering

*Each one must give as he has decided in his heart,
not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.*

2 Corinthians 9:7

HEARING GOD'S VOICE

The Anthem

When this Passing World Is Done

Jonathan Reid

Text by Robert Murray McCheyne (1813-43)

Scottish preacher, pastor, poet, and missionary to Palestine

When this passing world is done, when has sunk the radiant sun,
When I stand with Christ on high, looking o'er life's history,
Then, Lord, shall I fully know - not till then - how much I owe.

Chosen not for good in me, wakened up from wrath to flee,
Hidden in the Savior's side, by the Spirit sanctified.
Teach me, Lord, on earth to show, by my love, how much I owe.

When I stand before the throne, dressed in beauty not my own,
When I see Thee as Thou art, love Thee with unsinning heart,
Then Lord, shall I fully know - not till then - how much I owe!

† The Reading of God's Word

Psalm 67

May God be gracious to us and bless us and make His face to shine upon us, *Selah*
2 that Your way may be known on earth, Your saving power among all nations.
3 Let the peoples praise You, O God; let all the peoples praise You! 4 Let the nations be
glad and sing for joy, for You judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon
earth. *Selah* 5 Let the peoples praise You, O God; let all the peoples praise You!
6 The earth has yielded its increase; God, our God, shall bless us. 7 God shall bless us;
let all the ends of the earth fear Him!

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 Prayer of Illumination

The Sermon

GENEROSITY FOR GOD'S GLOBAL MISSION

Dr. Ligon Duncan

The Closing Prayer

FOLLOWING GOD'S SPIRIT

- † The Hymn *Lead On, O King Eternal* (see page 9)
- † The Benediction of God's Grace
- † The Threefold Amen (*sung by all*)
- The Postlude *Fugue in A Minor, BWV 543* J. S. Bach



The Sanctuary Flowers

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

Mr. and Mrs. John Wesley Durr

AND IN HONOR OF

The Ministry of Isaiah 55

BY

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas O. McLemore, Jr.

SERMON NOTES

Lift High the Cross

Refrain
Unison

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim,

till all the world a - dore his sa - cred name.

1. Come, breth - ren, fol - low where our Sav - ior trod, our
2. Led on their way by this tri - um - phant sign, the
3. O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree, as
4. Let ev - 'ry race and ev - 'ry lan - guage tell of
5. For thy blest cross which doth for us a - tone, cre -

King vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.
hosts of God in con - qu'ring ranks com - bine.
thou hast prom - ised, draw men un - to thee.
him who saves our souls from death and hell.
a - tion's prais - es rise be - fore thy throne.

D.C.

God of Mercy, God of Grace

1. God of mer - cy, God of grace, show the bright-ness of your face.
2. Let the peo - ple praise you, Lord; be by all that live a - dored.
3. Let the peo - ple praise you, Lord; earth shall then its fruits af - ford.

The first system of music consists of a treble clef staff with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. The melody is written in a simple, hymn-like style. Below the treble staff is a bass clef staff with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature, providing a harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics are placed between the two staves.

Shine up - on us, Sav - ior, shine; fill your world with light di - vine:
Let the na - tions shout and sing glo - ry to their gra - cious King;
Un - to us your bless - ing give; we to you de - vot - ed live,

The second system of music continues the melody and accompaniment from the first system. The lyrics are placed between the two staves.

all your sav - ing health ex - tend un - to earth's re - mot - est end.
at your feet their trib - ute pay, and your ho - ly will o - bey.
all be - low and all a - bove, one in joy and light and love.

The third system of music concludes the piece. The lyrics are placed between the two staves. The music ends with a double bar line.

Lead On, O King Eternal

1. Lead on, O King e - ter - nal, the day of march has come;
2. Lead on, O King e - ter - nal, till sin's fierce war shall cease,
3. Lead on, O King e - ter - nal: we fol - low, not with fears;

The first system of music consists of a treble and bass staff in 4/4 time. The treble staff contains a melody of eighth and quarter notes, while the bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment of chords and single notes.

hence - forth in fields of con - quest thy tents shall be our home:
and ho - li - ness shall whis - per the sweet a - men of peace;
for glad - ness breaks like morn - ing where - e'er thy face ap - pears;

The second system continues the melody and accompaniment. The treble staff features a melodic line with some grace notes, and the bass staff maintains the harmonic support.

through days of prep - a - ra - tion thy grace has made us strong,
for not with swords loud clash - ing, nor roll of stir - ring drums,
thy cross is lift - ed o'er us; we jour - ney in its light:

The third system shows the continuation of the piece. The treble staff has a more active melodic line with some slurs, and the bass staff follows with chords and moving lines.

and now, O King e - ter - nal, we lift our bat - tle song.
but deeds of love and mer - cy, the heav'n - ly king - dom comes.
the crown a - waits the con - quest; lead on, O God of might.

The final system concludes the piece. The treble staff ends with a final cadence, and the bass staff provides a steady accompaniment.



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Dr. Duncan served as Senior Minister of the historic First Presbyterian Church (1837) in Jackson, Mississippi for 17 years (1996-2013).

He is co-founder of *Together for the Gospel (T4G)*, Senior Fellow of the Council on Biblical Manhood and Womanhood and was President of Alliance of Confessing Evangelicals from 2004-2012. Dr. Duncan served as the Moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in America (2004-2005). He has edited, written, and contributed to numerous books.

Ligon Duncan and his wife Anne, who was Director of Religious Education at Trinity from 1982 to 1984, live in Jackson, Mississippi. They have two adult children.

*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.*



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