

THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA

MARCH 5, 2023

MORNING WORSHIP

THE SILENT MEDITATION UPON ENTERING THE SANCTUARY

But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of Him Who called you out of darkness into His wonderful light.

- I PETER 2:9



APPROACHING GOD'S THRONE

The Christian Greeting and Call to Preparation

9:55 a.m.

The Prelude

The Heavens are Telling
O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus
Trinity Handbell Choir
Steve Lee, *director*

F. J. Haydn, arr. Hollis
EBENEZER, arr. Lamb

*The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims His handiwork.
Day to day pours out speech, and night to night reveals knowledge.
There is no speech, nor are there words, whose voice is not heard.*

Psalm 19:1-3

The Striking of the Hour

† The Ascription of Praise

DUKE STREET

(Sung to the tune of "Jesus Shall Reign")

Thrice holy! Father, Spirit, Son, mysterious Godhead, Three-in-One!
Before Thy throne we sinners bend; Grace, pardon, life, to us extend.

† Indicates the congregation standing

• Indicates seating for those detained

† The Call to Worship – Psalm 96:9, Isaiah 6:3 (*congregation reads bold type*)

Mr. Howell

Worship the Lord in the splendor of holiness; tremble before Him, all the earth!

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of Hosts; The whole earth is full of His glory!

•† The Hymn

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

(*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 – Isaiah 53:6a

All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned—every one—to his own way; and the Lord has laid on Him the iniquity of us all.

The Corporate Prayer of Confession

Adapted from the Book of Common Worship, 1946

Almighty God, rich in mercy to all who call upon You, hear us as we come to You, humbly confessing our sins, asking for Your mercy and forgiveness. We have broken Your holy laws by our deeds and by our words, and by the sinful affections of our hearts. We confess before You our disobedience and ingratitude, our pride and willfulness, and all our failures and shortcomings toward You and our neighbor. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father, and in Your great goodness, grant that we may hereafter serve and please You in newness of life, through the merit and mediation of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Silent Prayers of Confession

The Assurance of God's Pardon – Isaiah 55:7

Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the Lord, that He may have compassion on him, and to our God, for He will abundantly pardon.

The Pastoral Prayer

•† The Hymn

Christ, of All My Hopes the Ground

(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

O Love

Elaine Hagenberg
Mary Clare Johnson, *violin*

O Love that will not let me go,
I rest my weary soul in Thee;
I give Thee back the life I owe,
that in Thine ocean depths its flow may richer, fuller be.
O Joy that seeks me through the pain,
I cannot close my heart to Thee;
I trace the rainbow through the rain,
and feel the promise is not vain: that morn shall tearless be.

† The Reading of God's Word

Luke 22:24-34

24 A dispute also arose among them, as to which of them was to be regarded as the greatest. 25 And He said to them, "The kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them, and those in authority over them are called benefactors. 26 But not so with you. Rather, let the greatest among you become as the youngest, and the leader as one who serves. 27 For who is the greater, one who reclines at table or one who serves? Is it not the one who reclines at table? But I am among you as the One Who serves. 28 You are those who have stayed with Me in My trials, 29 and I assign to you, as My Father assigned to Me, a kingdom, 30 that you may eat and drink at My table in My kingdom and sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel. 31 Simon, Simon, behold, Satan demanded to have you, that he might sift you like wheat, 32 but I have prayed for you that your faith may not fail. And when you have turned again, strengthen your brothers." 33 Peter said to Him, "Lord, I am ready to go with You both to prison and to death." 34 Jesus said, "I tell you, Peter, the rooster will not crow this day, until you deny three times that you know 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-105 (Kindergarten) after the service.*

I. GREATNESS

A. The World's Version

1. Wealth
2. Notoriety
3. Perceived Philanthropy

B. The Savior's Version

1. Forever Young
2. Not Simply Paying Dues

II. THE REAL ENEMY

A. Not Just Peter's Problem

B. Our Enemy's Plan

1. Encourage us
2. Discourage us
3. Consume us

III. CHRIST'S PRAYER FOR PETER

IV. CHRIST'S PURPOSE FOR PETER

The Closing Prayer

FOLLOWING GOD'S SPIRIT

† The Hymn *He Will Hold Me Fast* (see page 9)

† The Benediction of God's Grace

† The Threefold Amen (*sung by all*)

The Postlude *Aus Tiefer Not Schrei ich zu dir* Sigfried Karg-Elert
(Out of the Depths I Cry to Thee)

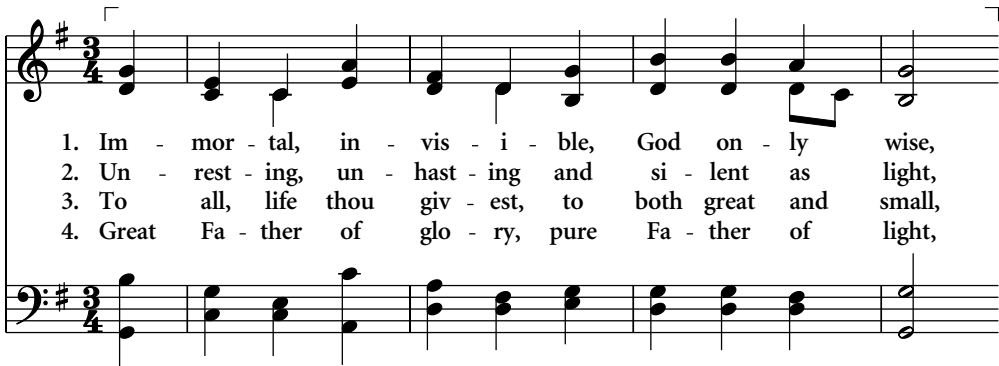
*Out of the depths I cry to You, O Lord! O Lord, hear my voice!
Let Your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy!
If You, O Lord, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand?
But with You there is forgiveness, that You may be feared.
I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in His Word I hope;
Psalm 130:1-5*



The Sanctuary Flowers

THE SANCTUARY FLOWERS THIS LORD'S DAY ARE GIVEN
TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN LOVING MEMORY OF
Hazel Nicholas Quiggins and Robert Carter Nicholas
BY
Mr. and Mrs. James A. Byram

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;

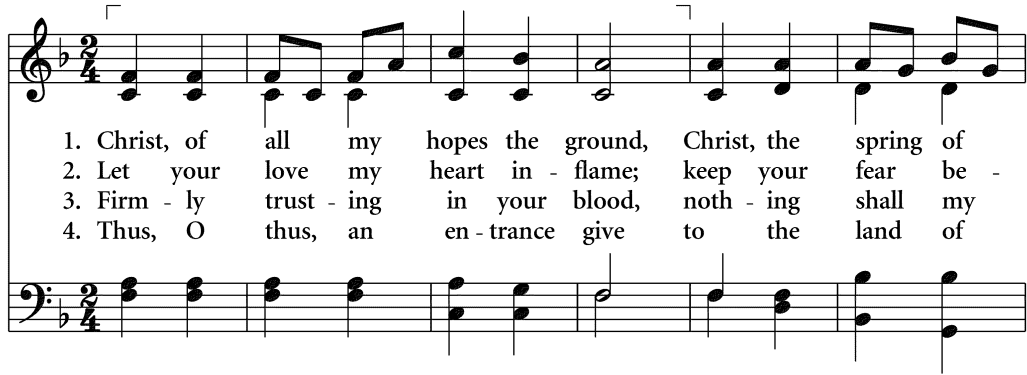


most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove
we blos - som and flour - ish as leaves on the tree,
all praise we would ren - der; O help us to see



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!

Christ, of All My Hopes the Ground



1. Christ, of all my hopes the ground, Christ, the spring of
2. Let your love my heart in - flame; keep your fear be -
3. Firm - ly trust - ing in your blood, noth - ing shall my
4. Thus, O thus, an en - trance give to the land of



all my joy, still in you may I be found, still for
fore my sight; be your praise my high - est aim; be your
heart con - found; safe - ly I shall pass the flood, safe - ly
cloud - less sky; hav - ing known it "Christ to live," let me



you my pow'rs em - ploy, still for you my pow'rs em - ploy.
smile my chief de - light, be your smile my chief de - light.
reach Im - man - uel's ground, safe - ly reach Im - man - uel's ground.
know it "gain to die," let me know it "gain to die."

He Will Hold Me Fast

Chords: Bb Eb Fsus Bb

1. When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast;
 2. Those he saves are his de - light, Christ will hold me fast;
 3. For my life he bled and died, Christ will hold me fast;

Chords: Eb Fsus Bb

when the tempt - er would pre - vail, he will hold me fast.
 pre - cious in his ho - ly sight, he will hold me fast.
 jus - tice has been sat - is - fied; he will hold me fast.

Chords: Gm F Bb Eb D Gm

I could nev - er keep my hold through life's fear - ful path;
 He'll not let my soul be lost; his prom - is - es shall last;
 Raised with him to end - less life, he will hold me fast

Chords: F Bb Eb F Bb

for my love is of - ten cold; he must hold me fast.
 bought by him at such a cost, he will hold me fast.
 'til our faith is turned to sight, when he comes at last!

Refrain

Chord symbols: Eb, F, Gm, F, Bb

Lyrics: He will hold me fast, he will hold me fast;

Chord symbols: Cm7, Bb, Eb, F, Bb

Lyrics: for my Sav - ior loves me so, he will hold me fast.

*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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