

# **THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP**

**TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA**

**MARCH 19, 2023**

# MORNING WORSHIP

## THE SILENT MEDITATION UPON ENTERING THE SANCTUARY

*God being Who He is must always be sought for Himself, never as a means toward something else. Whoever seeks God as a means toward desired ends will not find God. The mighty God, the maker of Heaven and earth, will not be one of many treasures, not even the chief of all treasures. He will be all in all or He will be nothing. God will not be used.*

- A. W. TOZER, IN *MAN, THE DWELLING PLACE OF GOD*



## APPROACHING GOD'S THRONE

The Christian Greeting and Call to Preparation 9:55 a.m.

The Prelude *If Thou but Suffer God to Guide Thee*, BWV 647 J. S. Bach

*If thou but suffer God to guide thee, and hope in Him through all thy ways,  
He'll give thee strength, whate'er betide thee, and bear thee through the evil days;  
Who trusts in God's unchanging love builds on the Rock that naught can move.*  
Chorale text by Georg Neumark, 1641

The Announcements

The Striking of the Hour

The Choral Introit *None Other Lamb, None Other Name* William Jeater

None other Lamb, none other name, none other hope in Heaven or earth or sea,  
None other hiding place from guilt and shame, none beside Thee!  
Lord, Thou art life, though I be dead; love's fire Thou art, however cold I be:  
Nor Heaven have I, nor place to lay my head, nor home, but Thee.

† Indicates the congregation standing

• Indicates seating for those detained

- † The Call to Worship – Psalm 46:4-5, 8 (*congregation reads bold type*)

Mr. Cooper

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,  
the holy habitation of the Most High.  
God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved.

**Come, behold the works of the Lord.**

- † The Hymn

*Like a River Glorious*

(*see page 7*)

- † 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 – Proverbs 28:13

Whoever conceals his transgressions will not prosper,  
but he who confesses and forsakes them will obtain mercy.

The Silent Prayers of Confession

The Assurance of God's Pardon – I Peter 2:24

He Himself bore our sins in His body on the tree,  
that we might die to sin and live to righteousness.  
By His wounds you have been healed.

The Pastoral Prayer

•† The Hymn

*If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee*

(see page 8)

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

*I Want Jesus to Walk with Me*

SOJOURNER

The Women's Chorus, Joan Lasseter, *soloist*

arr. von Kampen

I want Jesus to walk with me;

All along my pilgrim journey, I want Jesus to walk with me.

In my trials, Lord, walk with me.

When my heart is almost breaking, I want Jesus to walk with me.

When I'm troubled, Lord, walk with me;

Lord, when my head is bowed in sorrow, I want Jesus to walk with me.

† The Reading of God's Word

**Romans 5:5** – And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit Who has been given to us.

**Colossians 1:8** – And has made known to us Your love in the Spirit.

**Romans 8:35, 39; 15:30** – Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? Nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. I appeal to you, brothers, by our Lord Jesus Christ and by the love of the Spirit, to strive together with me in your prayers to God on my behalf..

**2 Corinthians 5:14; 13:14** – For the love of Christ controls us, because we have concluded this: that one has died for all, therefore all have died; The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**Ephesians 1:4-5, 2:4** – Even as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before Him. In love He predestined us for adoption to Himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of His will; But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which He loved us...

**Romans 13:8-10** – Owe no one anything, except to love each other, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. For the commandments, “You shall not commit adultery, You shall not murder, You shall not steal, You shall not covet,” and any other commandment, are summed up in this word: “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.

**Galatians 5:14** – For the whole law is fulfilled in one word: “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.”

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

**THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT: LOVE**

Mr. Howell

I. Love Is Poured Out — Romans 5:5; Colossians 1:8

II. Love Flows from the Triune God — Romans 8:35, 39; 15:30; 2 Corinthians 5:14; 13:14;  
Ephesians 1:4-5; 2:4

III. Love Fulfills God’s Law — Romans 13:8-10; Galatians 5:14

The Closing Prayer

# THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The Words of Instruction and Exhortation

† The Hymn *To God Be the Glory* (see page 9)

† The Introduction of the Covenant Family

**BONNEY KATHERINE CARLSON**

*Parents:* Mary Halley and Luke Carlson

*Siblings:* Luke and Ben Carlson

*Assisting:* Ruling Elder/Shepherd Mike Schrier  
Ruling Elder/Grandfather Eddie Carlson

† 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 Bonney'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 her behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for her salvation, as you do your own?

3. Do you now unreservedly dedicate Bonney to God, and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before her a godly example, that you will pray with and for her, that you will teach her the doctrines of our holy religion, and that you will strive, by all the means of God's appointment, to bring her 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 Bonney?

The Baptism

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

*Variations on 'If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee'*

J. G. Walther

*Following the service, the congregation is encouraged to greet the Carlson family 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 Bonney in the fear and admonition of the Lord.*

# Like a River Glorious

1 Like a riv - er glo - rious is God's per - fect peace, o - ver all vic -  
2 Hid - den in the hol - low of his bless - ed hand, nev - er foe can  
3 Ev - ery joy or tri - al fall - eth from a - bove, traced up - on our

to - rious in its bright in - crease: per - fect, yet it flow - eth full - er  
fol - low, nev - er trai - tor stand; not a surge of wor - ry, not a  
di - al by the Sun of Love; we may trust him ful - ly all for

ev - ery day, per - fect, yet it grow - eth deep - er all the way.  
shade of care, not a blast of hur - ry touch the spir - it there.  
us to do; they who trust him whol - ly find him whol - ly true.

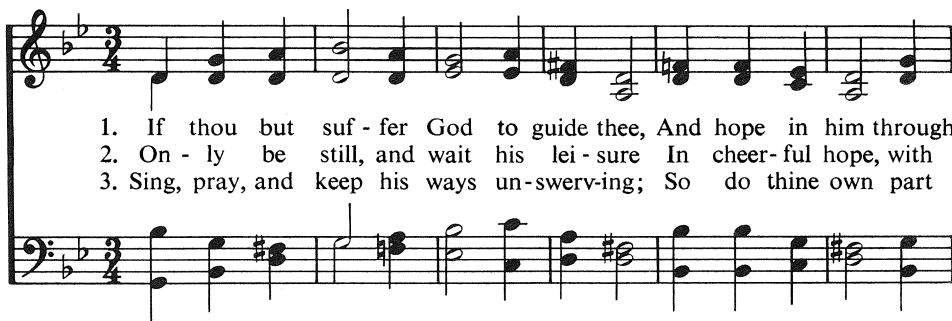
## Refrain

Stayed up - on Je - ho - vah, hearts are ful - ly blest,

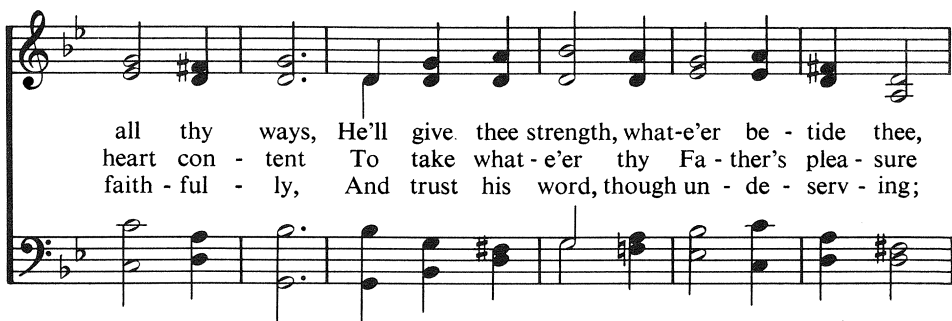
find - ing, as he prom - ised, per - fect peace and rest.



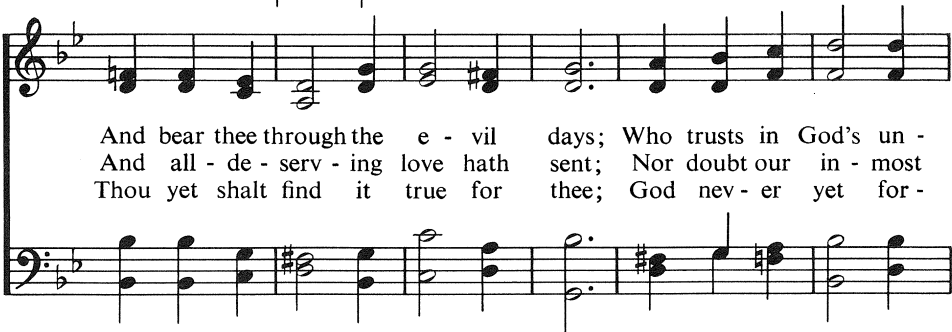
# If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee



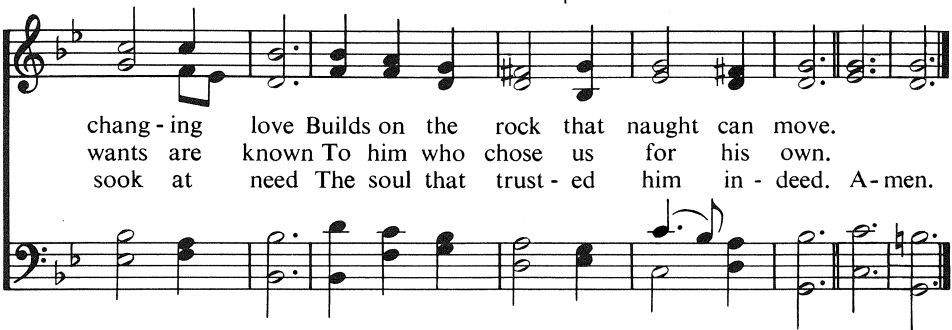
1. If thou but suf - fer God to guide thee, And hope in him through  
2. On - ly be still, and wait his lei - sure In cheer - ful hope, with  
3. Sing, pray, and keep his ways un - swerv - ing; So do thine own part



all thy ways, He'll give thee strength, what - e'er be - tide thee,  
heart con - tent To take what - e'er thy Fa - ther's plea - sure  
faith - ful - ly, And trust his word, though un - de - serv - ing;



And bear thee through the e - vil days; Who trusts in God's un -  
And all - de - serv - ing love hath sent; Nor doubt our in - most  
Thou yet shalt find it true for thee; God nev - er yet for -



chang - ing love Builds on the rock that naught can move.  
wants are known To him who chose us for his own.  
sook at need The soul that trust - ed him in - deed. A - men.

# To God Be the Glory

1. To God be the glo - ry, great things he has done!  
2. O per - fect re - demp - tion, the pur - chase of blood!  
3. Great things he has taught us, great things he has done,

The first system of music features a treble and bass staff in G major and 3/4 time. The melody is in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics are aligned with the notes.

So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,  
To ev - ry be - liev - er the prom - ise of God;  
and great our re - joic - ing through Je - sus the Son;

The second system continues the melody and bass line. The lyrics are aligned with the notes.

who yield - ed his life an a - tone - ment for sin,  
the vil - est of - fend - er who tru - ly be - lieves,  
but pur - er and high - er and great - er will be

The third system continues the melody and bass line. The lyrics are aligned with the notes.

and o - pened the life - gate that all may go in.  
that mo - ment from Je - sus for - give - ness re - ceives.  
our won - der, our trans - port, when Je - sus we see.

The fourth system concludes the piece with the final melody and bass line. The lyrics are aligned with the notes.

*Refrain*



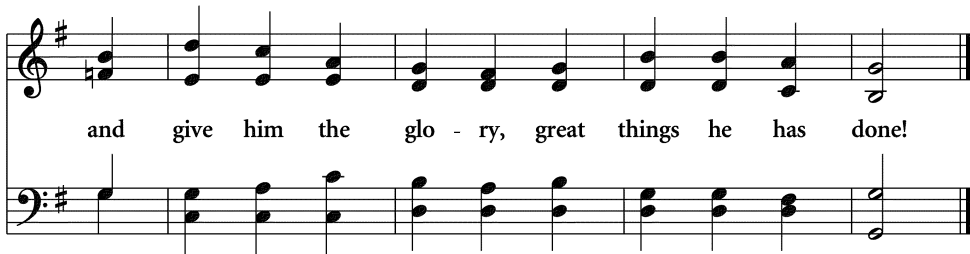
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice!



Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!



O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,



and give him the glory, great things he has done!



## *The Sanctuary Flowers*

**THE SANCTUARY FLOWERS THIS LORD'S DAY ARE GIVEN  
TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN LOVING MEMORY OF  
*Gay Townsend Rue*  
BY HER FAMILY**

*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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