

THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA

MARCH 26, 2023

MORNING WORSHIP

THE SILENT MEDITATION UPON ENTERING THE SANCTUARY

God of our life, there are days when the burdens we carry chafe our shoulders and weigh us down; when the road seems dreary and endless, the skies grey and threatening; when our lives have no music in them, and our hearts are lonely, and our souls have lost their courage.

Flood the path with light, run our eyes to where the skies are full of promise; tune our hearts to brave music; give us the sense of comradeship with heroes and saints of every age; and so quicken our spirits that we may be able to encourage the souls of all who journey with us on the road of life, to Your honor and glory. Amen.

- AUGUSTINE OF HIPPO, 344 - 430 A.D.



APPROACHING GOD'S THRONE

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

The Prelude *Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring* J. S. Bach

*Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.
Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have broken rejoice.*

Psalm 51:7-8

The Announcements

The Striking of the Hour

† The Ascription of Praise GROSSER GOTT, WIR LOBEN DICH

**Holy Father, Holy Son, Holy Spirit, Three we name You;
While in essence only One, undivided God we claim You,
And adoring bend the knee, while we sing this mystery.**

† The Call to Worship

Matthew 11:28-29

Mr. Howell

Come to Me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you, and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

•† The Hymn

My Faith Has Found a Resting Place

(see page 8)

† 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 – 1 John 1:8

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

The Corporate Prayer of Confession

Based upon Psalm 51:1-3, 9, 12

Have mercy on us, O God, according to Your steadfast love; according to Your abundant mercy blot out our transgressions. Wash us thoroughly from our iniquity, and cleanse us from our sin! For we know our transgressions, and our sin is ever before us. Hide Your face from our sins, and blot out all our iniquities. Restore to us the joy of Your salvation, and uphold us with a willing spirit. Amen.

The Silent Prayers of Confession

The Assurance of God's Pardon – 1 John 1:9

If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

The Pastoral Prayer

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 I Survey the Wondrous Cross

arr. Gilbert Martin

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ, my God!
All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to His blood.

See from His head, His hands, His feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down!
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small;
Love, so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all! Amen!

† The Reading of God's Word

Galatians 5:22-25, Luke 15:1-10

22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness,
faithfulness, 23 gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. 24 And
those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.
25 If we live by the Spirit, let us also keep in step with the Spirit.

1 Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear Him. 2 And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, “This Man receives sinners and eats with them.” 3 So He told them this parable: 4 “What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the open country, and go after the one that is lost, until he finds it? 5 And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing. 6 And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.’ 7 Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in Heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance. 8 Or what woman, having ten silver coins, if she loses one coin, does not light a lamp and sweep the house and seek diligently until she finds it? 9 And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.’ 10 Just so, I tell you, there is joy before the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”

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

PRIDE AND JOY

Mr. Cooper

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A sermon outline may be found on page 7.

The Closing Prayer

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The Words of Instruction and Exhortation

The Hymn of Preparation

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

(see pages 9-10)

The Introduction of the Covenant Family

WARD ELSBERRY WEISS

Parents: Sarah Peyton and John Ward Weiss, Jr.

Assisting: Ruling Elder/Shepherd John Elsberry Steiner
Ruling Elder/Grandfather John Ward Weiss, Sr.

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 Ward'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 Ward 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 Ward?

The Baptism

The Baptismal Benediction

The Covenant Prayer

FOLLOWING GOD'S SPIRIT

† The Hymn *Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come* (see page 11)

The Benediction of God's Grace

The Threefold Amen (*sung by all*)

The Postlude *Postlude on 'Antioch'* Benjamin Cornelius-Bates

Sing praises to the Lord, O you His saints, and give thanks to His Holy Name.

For His anger is but for a moment, and His favor is for a lifetime.

Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

Psalm 30:4-5



Following the service, the congregation is encouraged to greet the Weiss 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 Ward in the fear and admonition of the Lord.

PRIDE AND JOY

Galatians 5:22-25, Luke 15:1-10

I. WHAT IS JOY? (Galatians 5:22-25)

A. Semantics: Joy vs. Happiness

B. Principles: Joy vs. Happiness

1. Counterfeit Joy

2. True Joy

II. WHAT GIVES GOD JOY? (Luke 15:1-10)

A. A Questionable Policy

B. The Shepherd's Joy

1. Sacrificial Joy

2. Infectious Joy

C. Heaven's Joy



The Sanctuary Flowers

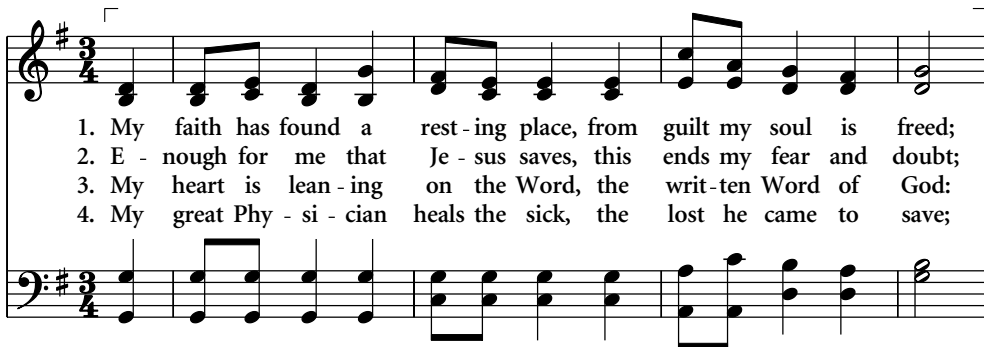
**THE SANCTUARY FLOWERS THIS LORD'S DAY ARE GIVEN
TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN HONOR OF THE BAPTISM OF**

Ward Elsberry Weiss

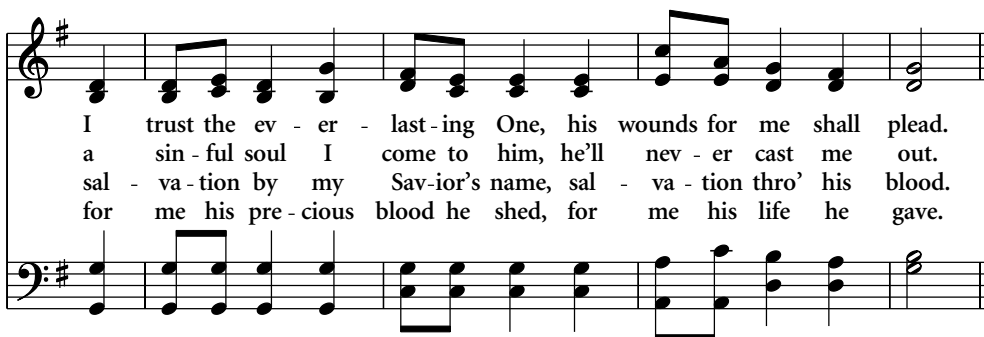
BY

Mr. and Mrs. John Ward Weiss, Sr.

My Faith Has Found a Resting Place



1. My faith has found a rest - ing place, from guilt my soul is freed;
2. E - nough for me that Je - sus saves, this ends my fear and doubt;
3. My heart is lean - ing on the Word, the writ - ten Word of God:
4. My great Phy - si - cian heals the sick, the lost he came to save;

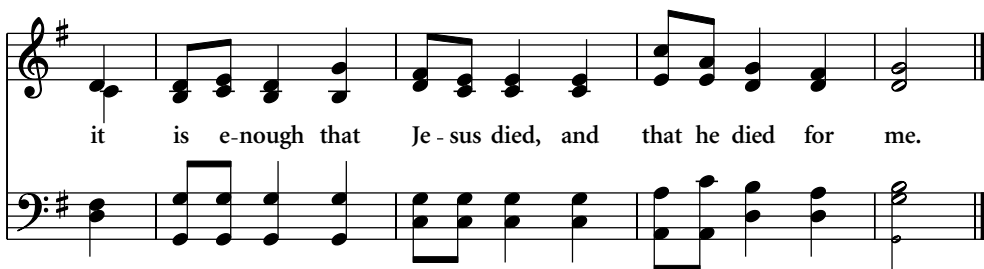


I trust the ev - er - last - ing One, his wounds for me shall plead.
a sin - ful soul I come to him, he'll nev - er cast me out.
sal - va - tion by my Sav - ior's name, sal - va - tion thro' his blood.
for me his pre - cious blood he shed, for me his life he gave.

Refrain



I need no oth - er ar - gu - ment, I need no oth - er plea,



it is e - nough that Je - sus died, and that he died for me.

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

1. Great is thy faith - ful-ness, O God my Fa - ther; there is no
2. Sum - mer and win - ter and spring-time and har - vest, sun, moon, and
3. Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth, thine own dear

shad - ow of turn - ing with thee; thou chang - est not, thy com -
stars in their cours - es a - bove, join with all na - ture in
pres - ence to cheer and to guide, strength for to - day and bright

pas - sions, they fail not; as thou hast been thou for - ev - er wilt be.
man - i - fold wit - ness to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.
hope for to - mor - row, bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

Refrain

Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Morn - ing by

morn - ing new mer - cies I see: all I have need - ed thy

hand hath pro - vid - ed — great is thy faith - ful - ness, Lord, un - to me!

Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come

1. Joy to the world! The Lord is come: let earth re - ceive her
 2. Joy to the earth! The Sav - ior reigns: let men their songs em -
 3. No more let sins and sor - rows grow, nor thorns in - fest the
 4. He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the na - tions

King; let ev - 'ry heart pre - pare him room,
 play; while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains
 ground; he comes to make his bless - ings flow
 prove the glo - ries of his righ - teous - ness

and heav'n and na - ture sing, and heav'n and na - ture
 re - peat the sound - ing joy, re - peat the sound - ing
 far as the curse is found, far as the curse is
 and won - ders of his love, and won - ders of his
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