



THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA

SEPTEMBER 10, 2023

MORNING WORSHIP

THE SILENT MEDITATION UPON ENTERING THE SANCTUARY

*When old companions, old lusts, and sins crowd in upon you,
and when you feel that you are ready to sink, what can save you, sinking sinner?
This alone – I have a High Priest in Heaven, and He can support in the hour of affliction.
This alone can give you peace – I have a High Priest in Heaven.
When you are dying – when friends can do you no good –
when sins rise up like specters around your bed –
what can give you peace? This – “I have a High Priest in Heaven.”*

ROBERT MURRAY McCHEYNE (1813-1843)

SCOTTISH PREACHER, PASTOR, POET, AND MISSIONARY TO PALESTINE



APPROACHING GOD'S THRONE

The Christian Greeting and Call to Preparation

Rev. Kurt Cooper, *Assistant Minister*

The Prelude

The Lord's Prayer

Albert Hay Malotte

Edward M. Patterson, *organist-choirmaster emeritus*

Michael Huff, *trumpet*

*And, having You, what more on earth is there I can desire?
Though flesh and heart should faint and fail, the Lord will ever be
the strength and portion of my heart, my God eternally.*

Paraphrase of Psalm 73:25-26, The Psalter, 1912

† Indicates the congregation standing

• Indicates seating for those detained

The Announcements

Rev. Michael Howell, *Assistant Minister*

The Striking of the Hour

The Choral Introit *O Let My Mouth Be Filled With Thy Praise* Antonio Zingarelli

O let my mouth be filled with Thy praise:
that I may sing Thy glory and honor all the day long! (Psalm 71:8)

† The Call to Worship – Psalm 46:1-5, 10-11 (*congregation reads bold type*)

The Lord your God is in your midst,

A Mighty One Who will save;

He will rejoice over you with gladness; He will quiet you by His love;

He will exult over you with loud singing.

Rejoice and exult with all your heart, O daughter of Jerusalem!

ALL: The King of Israel, the Lord, is in your midst.

•† The Hymn No. 351 *At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing* ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR

† 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 – No. 650 in *The Hymnal*

OLD HUNDREDTH

SEEKING GOD’S FACE

The Call to Confession – Psalm 32:1-2

Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.
Blessed is the man against whom the Lord counts no iniquity,
and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

The Silent Prayers of Confession

The Assurance of God’s Pardon – Isaiah 57:15

For thus says the One Who is high and lifted up, Who inhabits eternity,
Whose name is Holy: “I dwell in the high and holy place,
and also with him who is of a contrite and lowly spirit,
to revive the spirit of the lowly, and to revive the heart of the contrite.”

The Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Howell

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 Word of God

Craig Courtney

O Word of God incarnate, O Wisdom from on high,
O Truth unchanged, unchanging, O Light of our dark sky;
We praise You for the radiance that from the hallowed page,
A lantern for our footsteps, shines on from age to age.

The church from You, our Savior, received the gift divine,
And still that light is lifted o’er all the earth to shine.
It is the sacred vessel where gems of truth are stored;
It is the heaven-drawn picture of Christ, the Living Word.

The Scripture is a banner, before God's host unfurled;
It is a shining beacon above the darkening world.
It is the chart and compass that o'er life's surging tide,
Mid mists and rocks and quicksands, to You, O Christ, will guide.

O make Your church, dear Savior, a lamp of purest gold,
To bear before the nations Your true light as of old.
O teach Your wandering pilgrims by this their path to trace,
'Til clouds and darkness ended, they see You face to face. Amen.

The Prayer for Illumination

Rev. Cooper

† The Reading of God's Word – I Kings 18:20-39 pew Bible page 381

*If you are visiting today and do not own a personal copy of the Scriptures,
please take one from the table in the narthex as our gift.*

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

REVIVE US AGAIN

Rev. Cooper

IV. Fire and Rain

A sermon outline is found on page six.

The Closing Prayer

SERMON NOTES

I. Elijah's Context

II. Elijah's Proposition

A. Limping

B. Minority Report

C. Voices

D. Leave No Doubt

III. Elijah's Prayer

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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