



THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA

OCTOBER 1, 2023

MORNING WORSHIP

THE SILENT MEDITATION UPON ENTERING THE SANCTUARY

*If the Lord be with us, we have no cause of fear.
His eye is upon us, His arm over us, His ear open to our prayer -
His grace sufficient, His promise unchangeable.*

JOHN NEWTON (1725-1802)



APPROACHING GOD'S THRONE

The Christian Greeting and Call to Preparation Rev. Michael Howell, *Assistant Minister*

The Prelude Meditation on *Holy, Holy, Holy* NICAEA
Edward M. Patterson, *Organist-Choirmaster Emeritus*

*“Fear not, I am the first and the last, and the living One.
I died, and behold I am alive forevermore,
and I have the keys of Death and Hades” Revelation 1: 17-18*

The Announcements Rev. Kurt Cooper, *Assistant Minister*

The Striking of the Hour

† Indicates the congregation standing

• Indicates seating for those detained

The Choral Introit

Worthy is the Lamb

G. F. Handel

Worthy is the Lamb that was slain,
and hath redeemed us to God by His blood,
to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength,
and honor, and glory, and blessing. Amen! (Revelation 5:12)

† The Call to Worship – Psalm 135:1-3 (*congregation reads bold type*)

Praise the Lord!

Praise the name of the Lord,

Give praise, O servants of the Lord, who stand in the house of the Lord,

In the courts of the house of our God!

Praise the Lord, for the Lord is good;

Sing to His name, for it is pleasant!

•† The Hymn No. 258

Join All the Glorious Names

DARWALL

† The Apostles' Creed – inside cover of *The Hymnal*

† 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 – Hebrews 7:25

Jesus is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for them.

The Corporate Prayer of Confession

Johannes Oecolampadius, 1482-1531

**Almighty God and Heavenly Father,
we confess that from our childhood until this very hour
we have sinned against Your commandments
by evil thoughts, words, will, and works, which we cannot count,
and first of all by vast unbelief.
Therefore we are not worthy to be called Your children,
nor lift our eyes up to Heaven.
O God and Father, we wish that we had never provoked You to anger.
In Your mercy and for the sake of Your glory,
we ask You to receive us into Your grace
by the forgiveness of our sins. Amen.**

The Assurance of God's Pardon – 1 John 2:1-2

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

The Pastoral Prayer

•† The Hymn No. 290

Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God

LIVING BREATH OF GOD

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

Is He Worthy?

Andrew Peterson, arr. Forrest

Mollye Gunnells, Thomas Govan, soloists

Do you feel the world is broken? We do.

Do you feel the shadows deepen? We do.

But do you know that all the dark won't stop the light from getting through? We do.

Do you wish that you could see it all made new? We do.

Is all creation groaning? It is.

Is a new creation coming? It is.

Is the glory of the Lord to be the light within our midst? It is.

Is it good that we remind ourselves of this? It is.

Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole?

Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll?

The Lion of Judah who conquered the grave,

He is David's Root, and the Lamb Who died to ransom the slave.

Is He worthy of all blessing and honor and glory?

Is He worthy of this? He is! Worthy is the Lamb!

Does the Father truly love us? He does.

Does the Spirit move among us? He does.

And does Jesus, our Messiah, hold forever those He loves? He does.

Does our God intend to dwell again with us? He does.

The Prayer for Illumination

Rev. Howell

† The Reading of God's Word – 2 Chronicles 20:1-17

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*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
VI. Jehoshaphat's Prayer

Rev. Howell

The Closing Prayer

FOLLOWING GOD'S SPIRIT

† The Hymn No. 485 *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah* CWM RHONDDA

† The Benediction of God's Grace

† The Threefold Amen – No. 657 in *The Hymnal*

The Postlude *Variation on the AUSTRIAN HYMN, Opus 3* John Knowles Payne

*“Glorious things of Thee are spoken, Zion City of our God...
solid joys and lasting treasure, none but Zion's children know.” - John Newton, 1779*

SERMON NOTES

I. Background to the Prayer vv. 1-4

A. Crisis vv. 1-2

B. Reaction vv. 3-4

II. Basics of the Prayer vv. 5-13

A. Recital of Past Mercies vv. 6-7

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B. Importance of the Temple vv. 8-9

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C. Complaint vv. 10-11

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1. Divine Power v. 12a

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E. Public Setting v. 13

III. Answer to the Prayer vv. 14-19

A. Word of Assurance v. 15

B. Word of Direction vv. 16-17a

C. Word of Assurance v. 17b

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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