



THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA

NOVEMBER 19, 2023

MORNING WORSHIP

THE SILENT MEDITATION UPON ENTERING THE SANCTUARY

Let us daily praise God for common mercies – common as we frequently call them, and yet so priceless, that when deprived of them we are ready to perish. Let us bless God for the eyes with which we behold the sun, for the health and strength to walk abroad, for the bread we eat, for the raiment we wear. Let us praise Him that we are not cast out among the hopeless, or confined amongst the guilty; let us thank Him for liberty, for friends, for family associations and comforts; let us praise Him, in fact, for everything which we receive from His bounteous hand, for we deserve little, and yet are most plenteously endowed. But, beloved, the sweetest and loudest note in our songs of praise should be of redeeming love. God's redeeming acts toward His chosen are for ever the favorite theme of their praise.

CHARLES HADDEN SPURGEON (1834-1892)



APPROACHING GOD'S THRONE

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

The Prelude Prelude on THAXTED David Blackwell

*Hear my cry, O God, listen to my prayer; from the end of the earth
I call to you when my heart is faint. Lead me to the rock that is higher than I. – Psalm 61:1-2*

The Announcements Rev. Kurt Cooper, *Assistant Minister*

The Striking of the Hour

The Choral Introit *Praise the Savior, Ye Who Know Him!* ACCLAIM

Praise the Savior, ye who know Him!
Who can tell how much we owe Him?
Gladly let us render to Him all we are and have.

† Indicates the congregation standing

• Indicates seating for those detained

† The Call to Worship – Psalm 95:1-2

Oh come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise!

•† The Hymn No. 592

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

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 Gloria Patri – No. 648 in *The Hymnal*

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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 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 Assurance of God's Pardon – 1 Peter 1:3-5

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to His great mercy, He has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in Heaven for you, who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

The Pastoral Prayer

•† The Hymn No. 69

For the Beauty of the Earth

DIX

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

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

arr. Lloyd Pfautsch

Come, Thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace;

Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.

Refrain: I am bound for the Kingdom, will you go to glory with me?

Hallelujah, praise the Lord!

Oh, to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!

Let that grace, Lord, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to Thee. *Refrain*

Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;

Here's my heart, Lord, take and seal it, seal it for Thy courts above. *Refrain*

The Prayer for Illumination

Rev. Howell

† The Reading of God's Word - 1 Thessalonians 1:2-10

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*If you are visiting today and do not own a 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 after the service.

The Sermon

REVIVE US AGAIN

Rev. Howell

XII. The Thessalonians' Faith and Example

† The Hymn No. 61

Now Thank We All Our God

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THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The Words of Instruction and Exhortation

The Introduction of the Covenant Family

WYNONA KATE MATHEWS

Parents: Rebecca and Bradley Mathews

Assisting: Ruling Elder, Eddie Carlson

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

The Biblical Promise

The Covenant Vows

1. Do you acknowledge Wynona Kate'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 Wynona Kate 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?

The Vow of the Congregation

Do you the congregation undertake to pray for these parents as they faithfully nurture Wynona Kate in the Christian faith?

The Baptism

The Baptismal Benediction and the Covenant Prayer

FOLLOWING GOD’S SPIRIT

† The Doxology – No. 650 in *The Hymnal*

OLD HUNDREDTH

† The Benediction of God’s Grace

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

The Postlude

March on LASST UNS ERFREUEN
Michael Huff, *trumpet*

David Bednall

*Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! Serve the Lord with gladness!
Come into his presence with singing! – Psalm 100:1-2*

Following the Service, the congregation is encouraged to greet the Mathews family at the front of the Sanctuary. Join them in their thanksgiving and anticipation of God’s faithfulness to His covenant promises and assure them of your support through prayer.



The Sanctuary Flowers

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

Wynona Kate Mathews

AND IN MEMORY OF NONA KATE’S GREAT GRANDFATHER

James Winfrey Wilson, Jr.

AND IN MEMORY OF HER GREAT UNCLE

James Winfrey Wilson, III

SERMON NOTES

Paul's Thanksgiving for the Thessalonians, vv. 2-10

I. The Character of the Thanksgiving, v. 2

II. The Consideration of Thanksgiving, vv. 3-10

a. Because of their Christian virtues, v. 3

b. Because of their divine election, vv. 4-7

i. Assurance of election, v. 4

ii. Reasons for assurance, vv. 5-7

c. Because of reports about them, vv. 8-10

i. Facts behind the reports, v. 8

ii. Contents of the reports, vv. 9-10

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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