



THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA

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MORNING WORSHIP

THE SILENT MEDITATION UPON ENTERING THE SANCTUARY

*My sin, oh, the bliss of this glorious thought!
My sin, not in part but the whole,
Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more,
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!*

HORATIO G. SPAFFORD, 1828-1888



APPROACHING GOD'S THRONE

The Christian Greeting and Call to Preparation

Rev. Bill Clark, *Interim Minister*

The Prelude

Steal Away

arr. Iaian Farrington

*Let me dwell in Your tent forever!
Let me take refuge under the shelter of Your wings! Selah*
Psalm 61:4

The Announcements

Rev. Michael Howell, *Assistant Minister*

The Chiming of the Hour

The Choral Introit

Praise Ye the Lord

Saint-Saëns

Praise ye the Lord of Hosts, sing and adore Him,
Bless His name, show forth His praise in His holy house!

† Indicates the congregation standing

• Indicates seating for those detained

† The Call to Worship – Psalm 111:1-10 (*congregation reads bold type*)

Praise the LORD!

**I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart,
in the company of the upright, in the congregation.**

Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them.

**Full of splendor and majesty is His work,
and His righteousness endures for ever.**

He has caused His wondrous works to be remembered;

the LORD is gracious and merciful.

He provides food for those who fear Him;

He remembers His covenant for ever.

He has shown His people the power of His works,
in giving them the inheritance of the nations.

The works of His hands are faithful and just;

all His precepts are trustworthy;

**They are established for ever and ever,
to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.**

He sent redemption to His people; He has commanded His covenant for ever.

Holy and awesome is His name!

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom;

all those who practice it have a good understanding.

ALL: His praise endures for ever!

•† The Hymn No. 56

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS

† 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 – Romans 5:8; Hebrews 4:16

But God shows His love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

The Prayer of Confession – Based upon Psalm 53:1-3, 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 Pardon – Ezekiel 36:25-27

I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put My Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in My statutes and be careful to obey My rules.

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

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. Clark

† The Reading of God's Word – 1 John 1:5-10

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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.**

(Isaiah 40:6b, 8)

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

CONFIDENT CHRISTIAN LIVING

Rev. Clark

II. Agreeing with God

The Closing Prayer

COMMUNING WITH THE LORD JESUS CHRIST AND HIS PEOPLE

The Invitation to and Fencing of the Table

Who should come to the Lord's table? Those who are displeased with themselves because of their sins, but who nevertheless trust that their sins are pardoned and that their remaining weakness is covered by the suffering and death of Christ, and who also desire more and more to strengthen their faith and to lead a better life, and who are members in good standing of an evangelical church. (from the Heidelberg Catechism)

† The Hymn No. 214 *Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed* MARTYRDOM

† The Nicene Creed – inside cover of *The Hymnal*

† The Prayer of Humble Access

The Words of Institution

The Serving of the Meal

*Please partake of the elements as you receive them,
just as we must each receive Christ for our own salvation by faith.*

The Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

FOLLOWING GOD'S SPIRIT

† The Hymn No. 442 *O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus!* EBENEZER

† The Benediction of God's Grace

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

The Postlude *Pasticcio* Jean Langlais

*But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation,
a people for His own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies
of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light. – 1 Peter 2:9*

SERMON NOTES

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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