

# THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA

OCTOBER 27, 2024

# MORNING WORSHIP

#### THE SILENT MEDITATION UPON ENTERING THE SANCTUARY

Faithful Christian, seek the truth, listen to the truth, learn the truth, love the truth, speak the truth, adhere to truth and defend truth to the death.

> **JAN HUS (BORN C. 1370)** CZECH THEOLOGIAN, PHILOSOPHER, AND CHURCH REFORMER BURNED AT THE STAKE ON JULY 6, 1415



# APPROACHING GOD'S THRONE

The Christian Greeting and Call to Preparation

Rev. Kurt Cooper, Senior Minister

The Prelude Grand Choeur Dialogue **Eugene Gigout** Michael Huff, Carly Johnson, trumpets; Brenda Luchsinger, horn Jonathan Houghtling, trombone; Mike Mason, tuba

> Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever You had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting You are God. Psalm 90.2

The Announcements

Rev. Michael Howell. Assistant Minister

The Chiming of the Hour

- Indicates the congregation standing
- Indicates seating for those detained

Let songs of praise begin to worship God on high!
Let songs of praise begin to glorify our God!
Sing praise to God. Let all the people praise the Lord!

\*Based on Psalm 67:3\*

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

"Be still, and know that I am God.

I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!"

The Lord of hosts is with us:

the God of Jacob is our fortress.

• † The Processional Hymn No. 65 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

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- † 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 – Exodus 20

And God spoke all these words, saying, I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

You shall have no other gods before Me;

You shall not make for yourself an idol;

You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain;

Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy;

Honor your father and your mother;

You shall not murder;

You shall not commit adultery;

You shall not steal;

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor;

You shall not covet.

The Prayer of Confession – Martin Luther (1483-1546)

Dear God, in Your presence I confess myself a great sinner.

The Ten Commandments would cast me directly into hell.

But Your precious Gospel teaches me

that it is the highest wisdom to know and believe that out of Your love,

You are merciful through Christ, and You help poor and condemned sinners.

Therefore my confession of faith and my confession of sin is this:

"I am indeed a sinner, but God is merciful to me."

I was Your enemy, but You made me Your friend.

I was condemned, but You desired that I be blessed and made an heir of heaven.

Indeed, this is Your will.

You have permitted this truth to be preached to me

and have commanded me to believe,

for the sake of Your Son whom You have given to me. Amen.

The Silent Prayers of Confession

The Assurance of God's Pardon – Ephesians 2:13-16

Now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For He Himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility by abolishing the law of commandments expressed in ordinances, that He might create in Himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility.

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

The Anthem

The Old Hundredth Psalm Tune

Ralph Vaughan Williams

#### Choir:

All people that on earth do dwell, sing to the Lord with cheerful voice; Him serve with mirth, His praise forth tell, come ye before Him and rejoice.

## Congregation & Choir:

The Lord, ye know, is God indeed, without our aid He did us make; We are His folk, He doth us feed, and for His sheep He doth us take.

#### Choir.

O enter then His gates with praise, approach with joy His courts unto; Praise, laud, and bless His name always, for it is seemly so to do.

For why? the Lord our God is good: His mercy is forever sure; His truth at all times firmly stood, and shall from age to age endure.

## Congregation & Choir:

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, the God Whom heaven and earth adore, From men and from the angel host be praise and glory evermore. Amen.

Psalm Versification: William Kethe, 1561

### HEARING GOD'S VOICE

The Prayer for Illumination

Rev. Cooper

† The Reading of God's Word – Ephesians 5:8-21

pew Bible, page 1244

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

### THE ENDURING COMMUNITY

Rev. Cooper

XI. Over My Head

### THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The Words of Instruction and Exhortation

† The Hymn No. 426 I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

The Choir will sing verse 1; the Congregation joins on verse 2

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

The Introduction of the Covenant Family

#### HAZEL REBECCA DEAN

Parents: Alexandra and Lawton Dean Siblings: Samuel and Furman Dean Assisting: Ruling Elder Ken Williams

The Biblical Promise

#### The Covenant Vows

- 1. Do you acknowledge Hazel'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 Hazel 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 as a congregation undertake the responsibility of assisting these parents in the Christian nurture of Hazel?

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 Maestoso Everett Titcomb

And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying, "To Him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!"

And the four living creatures said, "Amen!"
and the elders fell down and worshiped.

Revelation 5:13-14

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.

