



THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA

OCTOBER 6, 2024

MORNING WORSHIP

THE SILENT MEDITATION UPON ENTERING THE SANCTUARY

Only fear the Lord and serve Him faithfully with all your heart.

For consider what great things He has done for you.

1 SAMUEL 12:24 (ESV)



APPROACHING GOD'S THRONE

The Christian Greeting and Call to Preparation

Rev. Kurt Cooper, *Senior Minister*

The Prelude

Prelude on ABERYSTWYTH

Healey Willan

*Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.*

Psalm 51:10

The Announcements

Rev. Michael Howell, *Assistant Minister*

The Chiming of the Hour

† The Ascription of Praise (*sung by all*)

ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR

Praise, O praise our God and King! Hymns of adoration sing!

For His mercies shall endure ever faithful, ever sure.

Glory to our bounteous King ever let creation sing:

Glory to the Father, Son, and blest Spirit, Three in One.

† Indicates the congregation standing

• Indicates seating for those detained

† The Call to Worship – Lamentations 3:22-24 (*congregation reads bold type*)

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases;

His mercies never come to an end;

they are new every morning;

great is Your faithfulness.

“The Lord is my portion,” says my soul,

ALL: **“therefore I will hope in Him.”**

•† The Hymn No. 2 *All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above* MIT FREUDEN ZART

† 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 10:19-23

Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that He opened for us through the curtain, that is, through His flesh, and since we have a great Priest over the house of God, let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful.

The Prayer of Confession – Adapted from *Knox's Liturgy, 1560*

**Almighty God, we are unworthy to come into Your presence.
We have sinned against You, O Lord, and have offended You.
And yet, O Lord, as we acknowledge our sins and offenses,
so also do we acknowledge You to be a merciful God,
a loving and favorable Father to all who turn to You.
And so we humbly ask You, for the sake of Christ Your Son,
to show mercy to us and forgive us all our offenses.
Forgive the sins of our youth, and the sins of our old age.
By Your Spirit, O God, take possession of our hearts,
so that not only the actions of our life,
but also the words of our mouths and the smallest thought of our minds,
may be guided and governed by You.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to Whom, with You and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory,
now and forever. Amen.**

The Assurance of God's Pardon – Titus 3:4-7

When the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, He saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to His own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that being justified by His grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

The Pastoral Prayer

• † The Hymn No. 383

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

NETTLETON

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

Hallelujah, Amen

G. F. Handel

Hallelujah, amen!

O Judah, rejoice, in songs divine,
With cherubim and seraphim harmonious join!

Hallelujah, amen!

*Zion hears and is glad, and the daughters of Judah rejoice,
because of your judgments, O LORD.*

Psalm 97:8

HEARING GOD'S VOICE

The Prayer for Illumination

Rev. Cooper

† The Reading of God's Word - Ephesians 4:17-24

pew Bible, page 1244

*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.**

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

XIV. Take On Me

The Closing Prayer

FOLLOWING GOD'S SPIRIT

† The Hymn No. 530

Be Thou My Vision

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† The Benediction of God's Grace

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

The Postlude

Toccata on Amazing Grace

Christopher Pardini

*O LORD, You will ordain peace for us,
for You have indeed done for us all our works.*

Isaiah 26:12

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Ephesians 4:17-24

I. The Well-Worn Path of Life Outside of Christ (v. 17-19)

A. Futility of Mind

B. Darkness of Understanding

C. Hardness of Heart

1. Ignorance

2. Hardness of Heart

D. Giving Themselves Up

II. But YOU (v. 20-21)

III. Changing Clothes (v. 22-24)

A. Put Off

B. Renewal

C. Put On

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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