



THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA

FEBRUARY 25, 2024

MORNING WORSHIP

THE SILENT MEDITATION UPON ENTERING THE SANCTUARY

And He said to them,

“Go into all the world and proclaim the Gospel to the whole creation.” – Mark 16:15



APPROACHING GOD'S THRONE

The Christian Greeting and Call to Preparation

Rev. Kurt Cooper, *Assistant Minister*

The Prelude

Invocation

Ernest Bryson

Michael Huff, Brian Reeves, *trumpet*

arr. Mays

Jonathan Houghtling, Jason Sulliman, *trombone*

Mike Mason, *tuba*; Mark Benson, *percussion*

*One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after:
that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life,
to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to inquire in His temple.*

Psalm 27:4

The Announcements

Rev. Cooper

The Chiming of the Hour

The Choral Introit

Ente Yeshu Enikku Nallavan

Malayalam Hymn

Seraphim & Covenant Choirs

My Jesus is good to me
He is good to me day after day
In my sickness, in my troubles and even in my grave calamities,
He is sufficient for me!

† Indicates the congregation standing

• Indicates seating for those detained

† The Call to Worship – 2 Corinthians 2:14

Thanks be to God, who in Christ always leads us in triumphal procession,
and through us spreads the fragrance of the knowledge of Him everywhere.
Let us worship God!

† The Processional Hymn No. 217 *Lift High the Cross*

CRUCIFER

The Christian Flag leads the procession.

United States	Japan
Australia	Mexico
Cambodia	Norway
China	Papua New Guinea
Germany	South Africa
Greece	Sweden
India	Thailand
Indonesia	Uganda
	Ukraine

† 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 – Isaiah 53:6a

All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned—every one—to his own way.

The Prayer of Confession – Adapted from *The Book of Common Worship*, 1946

**Almighty God, rich in mercy to all who call upon You,
hear us as we come to You, humbly confessing our sins,
asking for Your mercy and forgiveness.
We have broken Your holy laws by our deeds and by our words,
and by the sinful affections of our hearts.
We confess before You our disobedience and ingratitude,
our pride and willfulness,
and all our failures and shortcomings toward You and our neighbor.
Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father,
and in Your great goodness,
grant that we may hereafter serve and please You in newness of life,
through the merit and mediation of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Assurance of God's Pardon – Isaiah 55:7

Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts;
let him return to the Lord, that He may have compassion on him,
and to our God, for He will abundantly pardon.

Faith Promise Missions Fund Update

Jennifer and John Bricken

The Pastoral Prayer

• † The Hymn No. 488

O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

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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

To the Lamb on the Throne

Dan Forrest

Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim,
And publish abroad His wonderful name;
The name all victorious of Jesus extol;
His Kingdom is glorious and rules over all. "Worthy the Lamb."

"Salvation to God who sits on the throne!"
Let all cry aloud, and honor the Son;
The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim,
Fall down on their faces and worship the Lamb. "Worthy the Lamb."

God rules in the height, almighty to save;
Though hid from our sight, His presence we have,
The great congregation His triumph shall sing,
Ascribing salvation to Jesus our King. "Worthy the Lamb."

Congregation joins on the last verse as directed.

Then let us a - dore and give Him His right, all
glo - ry and pow'r, all wis - dom and might; all
hon - or and bless - ing with an - gels a - bove, and
thanks nev - er ceas - ing and in - fi - nite love.

The Prayer for Illumination

Rev. Vijay Raju

† The Reading of God's Word – Acts 1:1-18

pew Bible page 1156

*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

Persecution is Part of the Call

Rev. Raju

The Closing Prayer

FOLLOWING GOD'S SPIRIT

† The Hymn No. 369 *O Zion, Haste, Your Mission High Fulfilling*

TIDINGS

† The Benediction of God's Grace

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

The Postlude

Sonata No. 2, Finale

Felix Mendelssohn

SERMON NOTES

Acts 1:1-18

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The Sanctuary Flowers

THE SANCTUARY FLOWERS THIS LORD'S DAY ARE GIVEN

TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN HONOR OF

Kathleen Morris McGowin

BY FRIENDS

IN APPRECIATION OF HER YEARS OF SERVICE IN THE TRINITY BOOKSTORE



Vijay and Swarupa Raju
Christ Gospel Ministries, India

Pastor Vijay Raju helped start Christ Gospel Ministries, Inc. for the purpose of growing indigenous missions in India by supporting church planting and developing leaders, orphan care, educational and self-employment training for widows and poor girls, and disaster relief. They facilitate pastor training programs with the goal of training 1000+ village pastors each year and planting churches.

Vijay was born into such a poor family that his parents were unable to take care of him. A Hindu family member adopted Vijay when he was 6 months old. Vijay led a life of an Orthodox Hindu, received a good education, and learned many languages.

Vijay is married to Swarupa and they are blessed with two children, Henry and Blessy. He also serves as an Archbishop in the Anglican Church of India and Council of Reformed Churches of India.



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