



THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA

JULY 7, 2024

THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP AT 10:00 A.M.

MORNING WORSHIP

THE SILENT MEDITATION UPON ENTERING THE SANCTUARY

*Nothing prepares the heart more for worship of the Lord
than to contemplate His beauty and perfection.*

FRANK GABELEIN (1899-1983)
EVANGELICAL AUTHOR, EDUCATOR, AND EDITOR



APPROACHING GOD'S THRONE

The Christian Greeting and Call to Preparation

Rev. Kurt Cooper, *Senior Minister*

The Prelude

Aria on ST. ANNE

Rebecca Groom te Velde

*The earth is the LORD's and the fullness thereof,
the world and those who dwell therein.*

Psalm 24:1

The Announcements

Rev. Michael Howell, *Assistant Minister*

The Chiming of the Hour

† Indicates the congregation standing

• Indicates seating for those detained

God is our strength and refuge, our present help in trouble;
 And we therefore will not fear, though the earth should change!
 Though mountains shake and tremble, though swirling floods are raging,
 God the Lord of Hosts is with us evermore!

† The Call to Worship – Psalm 18:2-3, 49 (*congregation reads bold type*)

The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer,
my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge,
my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.
 I call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised, and I am saved from my enemies.
For this I will praise You, O LORD, among the nations,
and sing to Your name.

•† The Hymn No. 588

God of Our Fathers

NATIONAL HYMN

† 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 – 2 Chronicles 7:14

If My people who are called by My name humble themselves, and pray and seek My face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from Heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land.

The Prayer of Confession – Adapted from the Dutch Psalter, 1566

**Eternal and merciful God and Father,
we humble ourselves before Your great Majesty,
for we have frequently and grievously sinned against You.
We acknowledge that if You were to enter into judgment against us,
we would deserve nothing but eternal death.
We are deeply conscious of the fact that we are conceived and born in sin,
and that all manner of evil desires against You and our neighbor fill our hearts.
We continually fail to do what You have commanded us,
and do that which You have expressly forbidden.
We all, like sheep, have gone astray and each of us has turned to his own way.
We acknowledge our waywardness and are heartily sorry for all our sins.
We confess that we have nothing with which to repay our debt.
Therefore, we are not worthy to be called Your children,
nor to lift up our eyes to You in Heaven.**

The Assurance of God's Pardon – Psalm 28:6-7

Blessed be the LORD! For He has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy. The LORD is my strength and my shield; in Him my heart trusts, and I am helped; my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to Him. The LORD is the strength of His people; He is the saving refuge of His anointed.

The Pastoral Prayer

•† The Hymn No. 432

My Hope Is in the Lord

WAKEFIELD

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

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

arr. Ken Berg

Sing praise to God Who reigns above, the God of all creation,
The God of power, the God of love, the God of our salvation;
With healing balm my soul He fills and every faithless murmur stills:
To God all praise and glory!

What God's almighty power hath made His gracious mercy keepeth;
By morning glow or evening shade His watchful eye ne'er sleepeth;
Within the kingdom of His might, Lo! all is just and all is right:
To God all praise and glory!

The Lord is never far away, but through all grief distressing,
An ever-present help and stay, our peace and joy and blessing.
As with a mother's tender hand He leads His own, His chosen band:
To God all praise and glory!

Thus all my toilsome way along, I sing aloud His praises
That all may hear the grateful song my voice unwearied raises:
Be joyful in the Lord, my heart! Both soul and body bear your part:
To God all praise and glory!

The Prayer for Illumination

† The Reading of God's Word – Ephesians 1:3-6 pew Bible, page 1241

*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

II. You Found Me

The Closing Prayer

FOLLOWING GOD'S SPIRIT

† The Hymn No. 581

I Know Whom I Have Believed

EL NATHAN

† The Benediction of God's Grace

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

The Postlude

Postlude on LOBE DEN HERREN

Phillip Moore

For I will proclaim the name of the LORD; ascribe greatness to our God!

“The Rock, His work is perfect, for all His ways are justice.

A God of faithfulness and without iniquity, just and upright is He.”

Deuteronomy 32:3-4

SERMON NOTES

Ephesians 1:3-6

You Found Me

I. Blessing

II. Election

III. Adoption

IV. So what?

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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