

THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA

SEPTEMBER 1, 2024

MORNING WORSHIP

THE SILENT MEDITATION UPON ENTERING THE SANCTUARY

The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul;
the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple;
the precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart;
the commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes;
the fear of the Lord is clean, enduring forever;
the rules of the Lord are true, and righteous altogether.
More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold;
sweeter also than honey and drippings of the honeycomb.
Moreover, by them is Your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward.

PSALM 19:7-11 (ESV)



APPROACHING GOD'S THRONE

The Christian Greeting and Call to Preparation

Rev. Michael Howell, Assistant Minister

The Prelude

Chorale-Prelude on EIN FESTE BURG IST UNSER GOTT

Johann Pachelbel

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way,
though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,
though its waters roar and foam,
though the mountains tremble at its swelling.

Psalm 46:1-3

The Announcements

Rev. Bill Clark. Assistant Minister

The Chiming of the Hour

- † Indicates the congregation standing
- Indicates seating for those detained

The Choral Introit John Goss

Bless the Lord! His Name be blessed, worshipped, honored, loved, adored;
And with holy hearts confessed, saints and servants of the Lord.
Bless the Lord! The Father, Son, and the Spirit, praise;
High exalt the Three-in-One, God of everlasting days!

† The Call to Worship – Psalm 105:1-3 (congregation reads bold type)

Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon His name;

Make known His deeds among the peoples!

Sing to Him, sing praises to Him;

Tell of all His wondrous works!

Glory in His holy name;

ALL: Let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice!

• † The Hymn No. 92

When Morning Gilds the Skies

LAUDES DOMINI

- † 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 1:18

Come now, let us reason together, says the LORD: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.

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 - Acts 10:43

To Him [Jesus] all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in Him receives forgiveness of sins through His name.

The Pastoral Prayer

• † The Hymn No. 532

May the Mind of Christ My Savior

ST. LEONARDS

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

How Firm A Foundation

arr. Tom Trenney

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in His excellent Word!
What more can be said than to you He hath said, To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

"Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed, for I am thy God, and will still give thee aid; I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand, upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand.

"When through the deep waters I call thee to go, the rivers of sorrow shall not overflow; For I will be near thee, thy troubles to bless, and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

(Congregation join as directed.)

"When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie,
My grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply;
The flame shall not hurt thee, I only design
thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.

"The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to its foes;
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake!"

HEARING GOD'S VOICE

The Prayer for Illumination

Rev. Howell

† The Reading of God's Word - Ephesians 2:19-22

pew Bible, page 1242

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.

First graders and children age seven and older remain in the sanctuary.

The Sermon

THE ENDURING COMMUNITY

Rev Howell

IX. Characteristics of the New Humanity

The Closing Prayer

FOLLOWING GOD'S SPIRIT

† The Hymn No. 320

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

WESTMINSTER ABBEY

† The Benediction of God's Grace

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

The Postlude

Piece d'Orgue L Fantasia J.S. Bach

For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us.

Romans 8:18

THE ENDURING COMMUNITY

XIV. Characteristics of the New Humanity Ephesians 2:19-22

- I. Contrastive Consequences (v. 19)
 - A. Past: "So then you are no longer..."
 - B. Present: "But you are..."
- II. Custom Construction (vv. 20-22)
 - A. Foundation (v. 20a)
 - B. Cornerstone (v. 20b)
 - C. Construction (vv. 21-22)
 - 1. Direction (v. 21)
 - 2. Direction (v. 22)



THE SANCTUARY FLOWERS THIS LORD'S DAY ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Weldon Williamson Doe III

BY HIS FAMILY

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.

