



# **THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP**

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA

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# MORNING WORSHIP

## THE SILENT MEDITATION UPON ENTERING THE SANCTUARY

*Thou has loved me everlastingly, unchangeably;  
may I love Thee as I am loved.  
Thou hast given Thyself for me;  
may I give myself to Thee.  
Thou has died for me;  
may I live for Thee in every moment of my time,  
in every movement of my mind,  
in every pulse of my heart.*

A PURITAN PRAYER FROM *THE VALLEY OF VISION*



## APPROACHING GOD'S THRONE

The Christian Greeting and Call to Preparation

Rev. Kurt Cooper

The Prelude

*Air*

Gerre Hancock

*But now, O LORD, You are our Father;  
we are the clay, and You are our potter; we are all the work of Your hand.*

*Isaiah 64:8*

The Announcements

Rev. Michael Howell

The Chiming of the Hour

† Indicates the congregation standing

• Indicates seating for those detained

The Choral Introit

*All for Jesus!*

John Stainer

All for Jesus! All for Jesus! All my being's ransomed powers,  
All my thoughts and words and doings, all my days and all my hours.

O what wonder! How amazing! Jesus, glorious King of kings,  
Deigns to call me His beloved, lets me rest beneath His wings.

† The Call to Worship – Psalm 46:4-5, 8a (**congregation reads bold type**)

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the  
Most High. God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved.

**Come, behold the works of the LORD.**

•† The Hymn No. 575

*Like a River Glorious*

WYE VALLEY

† 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 – Psalm 32:5

I acknowledged my sin to You, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,” and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

The Silent Prayers of Confession

The Assurance of God's Pardon – Romans 8:34

Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us.

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

*And Can It Be?*

Dan Forrest

And can it be that I should gain an interest in the Savior's blood?  
Died He for me who caused His pain? For me who Him to death pursued?  
Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, should'st die for me?

He left His Father's throne above, so free, so infinite His grace;  
Emptied Himself of all but love, and bled for Adam's helpless race;  
'Tis mercy all, immense and free; for, O my God, it found out me.

No condemnation now I dread, Jesus and all in Him is mine!  
Alive in Him, my living Head, and clothed in righteousness divine,  
Bold I approach th'eternal throne, and claim the crown through Christ my own.

Amazing love, how can it be, that Thou, my God should'st die for me?

## HEARING GOD'S VOICE

The Prayer for Illumination

Rev. Cooper

† The Reading of God's Word – Mark 2:18-28

pew Bible, page 1065

*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

**HOW GREAT THOU ART**  
VII. When the Party's Over

Rev. Cooper

## THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

† The Hymn No. 66

*This Is My Father's World*

TERRA BEATA

† The Words of Instruction and Exhortation

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

The Introduction of the Covenant Family

**LAWRENCE VERNON WOLFE**

*Parents:* Anne and Robert Wolfe

*Sibling:* Ellie Wolfe

*Assisting:* Ruling Elder Josh Blades

## The Biblical Promise

### The Covenant Vows

1. Do you acknowledge Lawrence'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 his behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for his salvation, as you do your own?
3. Do you now unreservedly dedicate Lawrence to God, and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before him a godly example, that you will pray with and for him, that you will teach him the doctrines of our holy religion, and that you will strive, by all the means of God's appointment, to bring him 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 Lawrence?

### 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

*Psalm-Prelude – God Is Our Strength*

Robert J. Powell

*Come, behold the works of the LORD, how He has brought desolations on the earth.  
He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; He breaks the bow and shatters the spear.*

*Psalm 46:8-9a*

**HOW GREAT THOU ART**  
VII. When the Party's Over  
Mark 2:18-28

I. Fasting

A. Bridegroom

B. Patches & Wineskins

C. The Real Thing

II. Snacking

A. Legality?

B. History

C. Sabbath



*The Sanctuary Flowers*

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

*Gay Townsend Rue*

BY HER FAMILY

**Leading In Worship This Morning**

Rev. Kurt Cooper, *Senior Minister*

Rev. Michael Howell, *Assistant Minister*

Dr. Mark Nabholz, *Director of Music*

Mrs. Shannon Mathai, *Assistant Director of Music and Organist*



*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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