

THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA

JULY 27, 2025

MORNING WORSHIP

THE SILENT MEDITATION UPON ENTERING THE SANCTUARY

*I have held many things in my hands, and I have lost them all;
but whatever I have placed in God's hands, that I still possess.*

MARTIN LUTHER

APPROACHING GOD'S THRONE

The Christian Greeting and Call to Preparation

Rev. Kurt Cooper

The Prelude

Cantilene from Sonata 11, op. 148

Joseph Rheinberger

The Announcements

Rev. Michael Howell

The Chiming of the Hour

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

REGENT SQUARE

**Laud and honor to the Father, laud and honor to the Son,
Laud and honor to the Spirit, ever Three and ever One,
One in might and One in glory, while unending ages run.**

† The Call to Worship – Psalm 150:1-2, 6 (*congregation reads bold type*)

Praise the LORD! Praise God in His sanctuary;
praise Him in His mighty heavens!

Praise Him for His mighty deeds;

praise Him according to His excellent greatness!

Let everything that has breath praise the LORD!

Praise the LORD!

† 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*

GREATOREX

SEEKING GOD'S FACE

The Call to Confession – Hebrews 4:14-16

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

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 Silent Prayers of Confession

The Assurance of God's Pardon – Galatians 2:20

I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me.
And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and
gave Himself for me.

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

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

arr. Wilberg

Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heav'n to earth come down,
fix in us Thy humble dwelling; all Thy faithful mercies crown!
Jesus, Thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love Thou art;
visit us with Thy salvation; enter every trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe Thy loving Spirit into every troubled breast!
Let us all in Thee inherit, let us find Thy promised rest.
Take away the love of sinning; Alpha and Omega be;
end of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.

Come, Almighty to deliver; let us all Thy life receive;
suddenly return and never, nevermore Thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing, serve Thee as Thy hosts above;
pray, and praise Thee without ceasing, glory in Thy perfect love.

Finish then, Thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be;
let us see Thy great salvation perfectly restored in Thee.
Changed from glory into glory, 'til in heav'n we take our place,
'til we cast our crowns before Thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise. Amen!

HEARING GOD'S VOICE

The Prayer for Illumination

Rev. Cooper

† The Reading of God's Word – Mark 8:22-33

pew Bible, page 1073

*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
XXIII. What Would You Say?

Rev. Cooper

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

† The Hymn No. 32

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

LOBE DEN HERREN

† The Words of Instruction and Exhortation

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

The Introduction of the Covenant Family

IDA JANE CARLSON

Parents: Mary Halley and Luke Carlson

Siblings: Luke, Ben, and Bonney

Assisting: Ruling Elder Jim Rives

Ruling Elder Eddie Carlson (*grandfather*)

The Biblical Promise

The Covenant Vows

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

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

Fanfare

Healey Willan

HOW GREAT THOU ART
XXIII. What Would You Say?
Mark 8:22-33

I. The Two-Staged Healing (vv. 22-26)

A. Unique Account

B. Unique Method

II. Peter's High & Low

A. The Word on The Street

B. Peter Gets It Right

C. Sneak Preview

D. Peter Gets It Wrong



The Sanctuary Flowers

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

Ida Jane Carlson

BY HER FAMILY

LEADING IN WORSHIP

Rev. Kurt Cooper, *Senior Minister*

Rev. Michael Howell, *Assistant Minister*

Dr. Mark Nabholz, *Director of Music*

Dr. William Wymond, *guest 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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68 All Creatures of Our God and King

1. All crea-tures of our God and King, lift up your voice and
 2. Thou rush-ing wind that art so strong, ye clouds that sail in
 3. Thou flow-ing wa-ter, pure and clear, make mu-sic for thy
 4. And all ye men of ten-der heart, for-giv-ing oth-ers,
 5. Let all things their Cre-a-tor bless, and wor-ship him in

with us sing al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia! Thou burn-ing
 heav'n a-long, O praise him, al-le-lu-ia! Thou ris-ing
 Lord to hear, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia! Thou fire so
 take your part, O sing ye, al-le-lu-ia! Ye who long
 hum-ble-ness, O praise him, al-le-lu-ia! Praise, praise the

sun with gold-en beam, thou sil-ver moon with soft-er gleam,
 morn in praise re-joice, ye lights of eve-ning, find a voice,
 mas-ter-ful and bright, that giv-est man both warmth and light,
 pain and sor-row bear, praise God and on him cast your care,
 Fa-ther praise the Son, and praise the Spir-it, three in one,

Refrain

O praise him, O praise him, al-le-lu-ia,

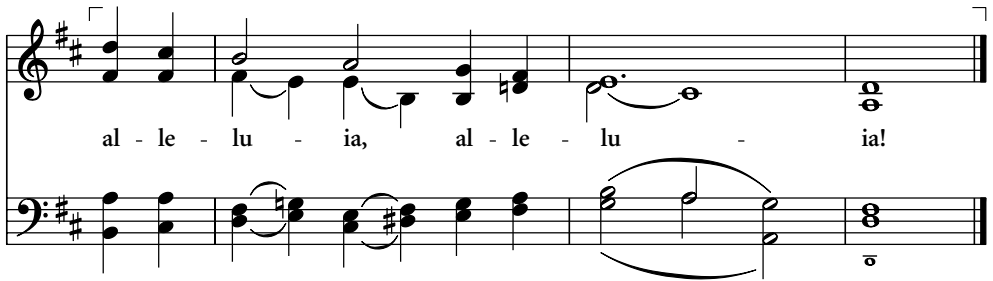
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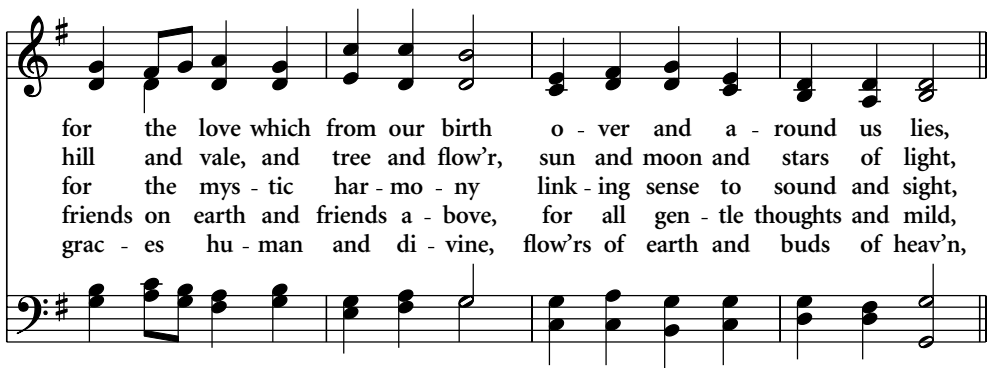
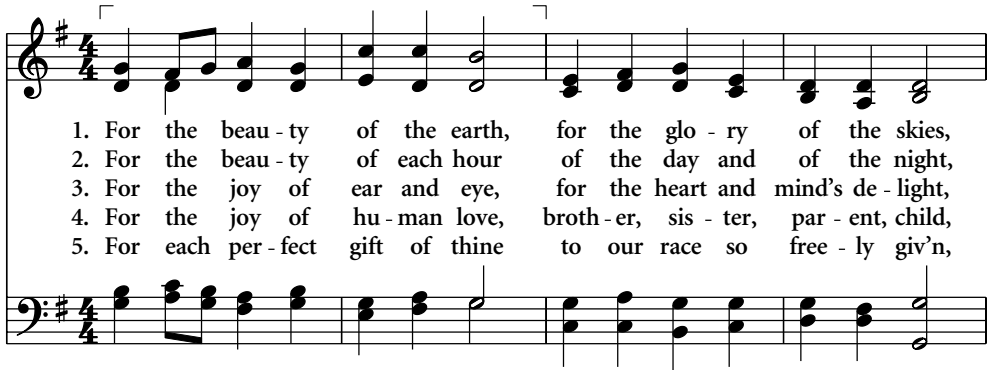
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Psalms 145:10



For the Beauty of the Earth

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*Refrain*

WORDS: Folliott S. Pierpoint, 1864; alt.

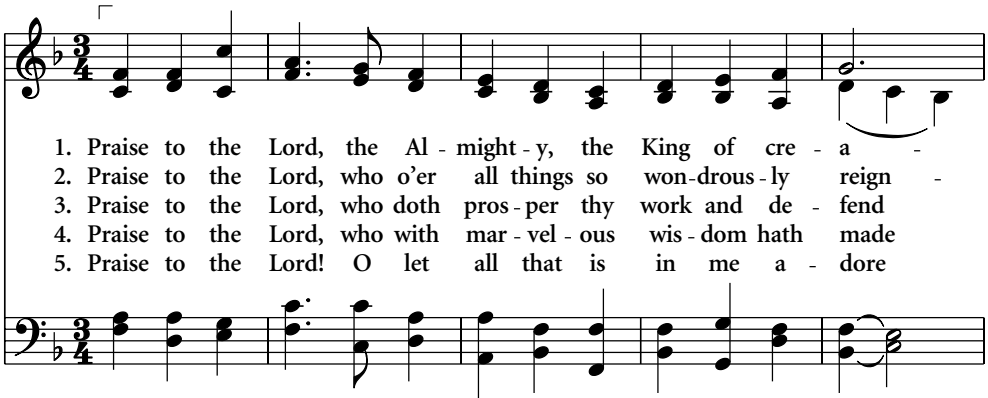
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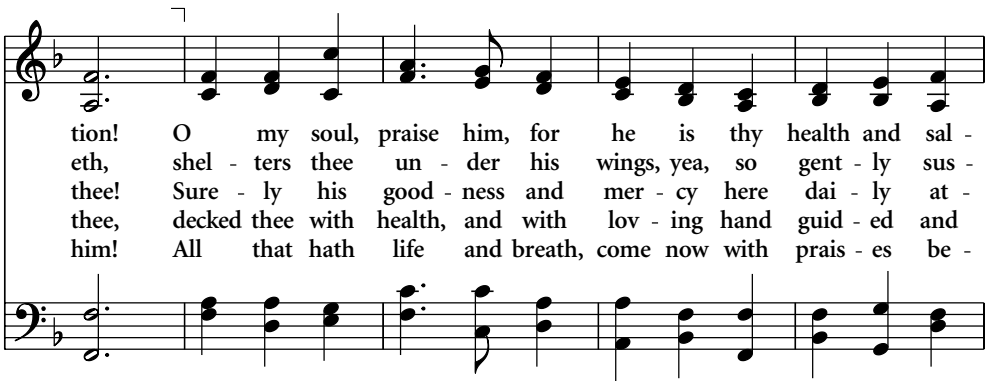
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James 1:17

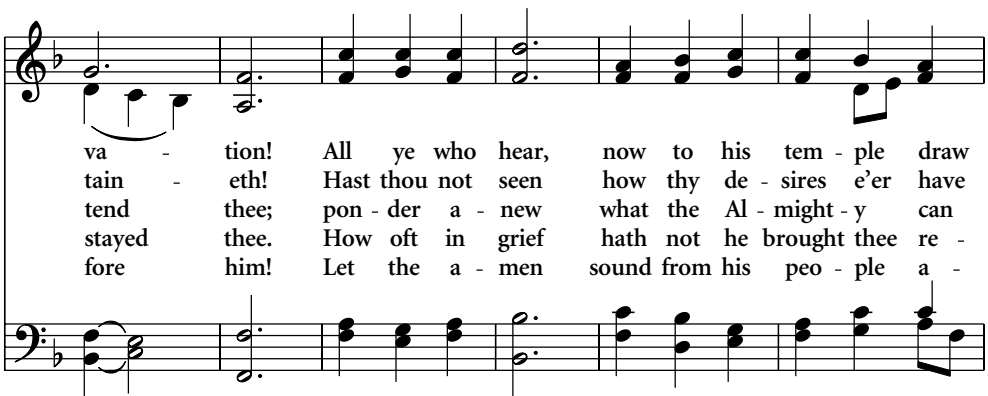
32 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty



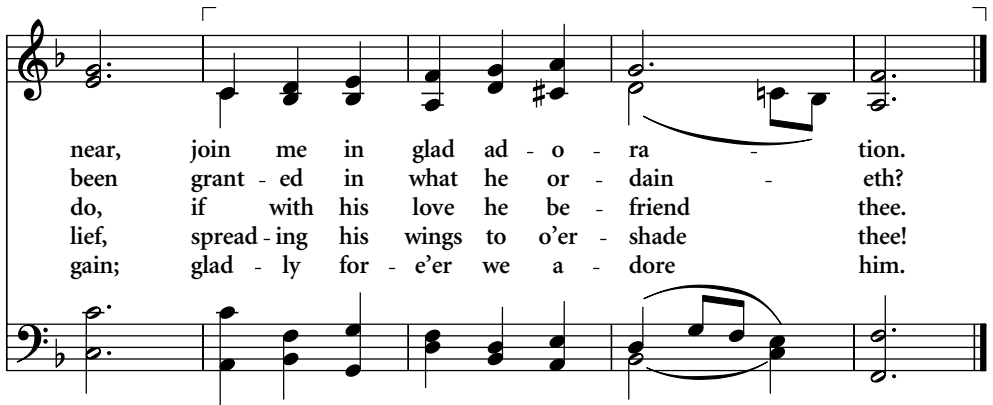
1. Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre - a -
 2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so won-drous - ly reign -
 3. Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy work and de - fend
 4. Praise to the Lord, who with mar - vel - ous wis - dom hath made
 5. Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a - dore



tion! O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and sal -
 eth, shel - ters thee un - der his wings, yea, so gent - ly sus -
 thee! Sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy here dai - ly at -
 thee, decked thee with health, and with lov - ing hand guid - ed and
 him! All that hath life and breath, come now with prais - es be -



va - tion! All ye who hear, now to his tem - ple draw
 tain - eth! Hast thou not seen how thy de - sires e'er have
 tend thee; pon - der a - new what the Al - might - y can
 stayed thee. How oft in grief hath not he brought thee re -
 fore him! Let the a - men sound from his peo - ple a -

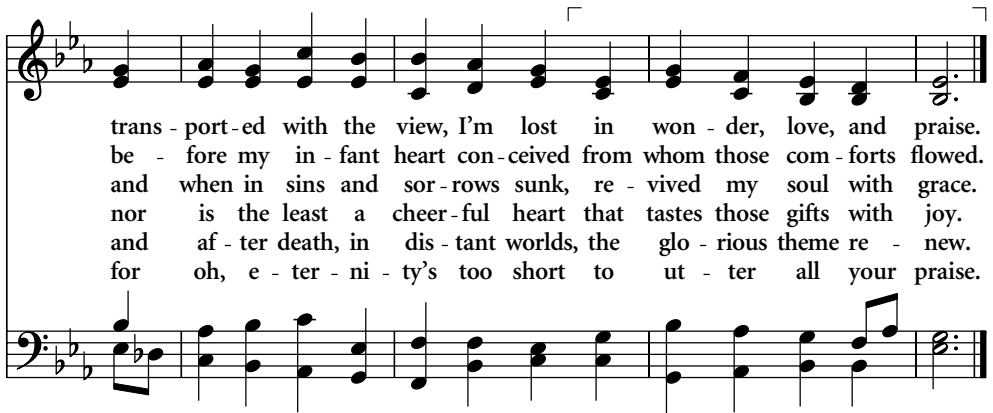


near, join me in glad ad - o - ra - tion.
 been grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?
 do, if with his love he be - friend thee.
 lief, spread - ing his wings to o'er - shade thee!
 gain; glad - ly for - e'er we a - dore him.

When All Your Mercies, O My God 33



1. When all your mer - cies, O my God, my ris - ing soul sur - veys,
 2. Un - num - bered com - forts to my soul your ten - der care be - stowed,
 3. When worn with sick - ness, oft have you with health re - newed my face;
 4. Ten thou - sand thou - sand pre - cious gifts my dai - ly thanks em - ploy;
 5. Through ev - 'ry pe - riod of my life your good - ness I'll pur - sue;
 6. Through all e - ter - ni - ty to you a joy - ful song I'll raise;



trans - port - ed with the view, I'm lost in won - der, love, and praise.
 be - fore my in - fant heart con - ceived from whom those com - forts flowed.
 and when in sins and sor - rows sunk, re - vived my soul with grace.
 nor is the least a cheer - ful heart that tastes those gifts with joy.
 and af - ter death, in dis - tant worlds, the glo - rious theme re - new.
 for oh, e - ter - ni - ty's too short to ut - ter all your praise.