



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

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA

AUGUST 31, 2025

# MORNING WORSHIP

## THE SILENT MEDITATION UPON ENTERING THE SANCTUARY

*We can begin each day with the deeply encouraging realization,  
'I'm accepted by God, not on the basis of my personal performance,  
but on the basis of the infinitely perfect righteousness of Jesus Christ.'*

**JOHN OWEN (1616-1683)**

**ENGLISH PURITAN THEOLOGIAN**



## APPROACHING GOD'S THRONE

The Christian Greeting and Call to Preparation

Rev. Kurt Cooper

The Prelude

*Return, My Soul, Enjoy Thy Rest*

BROOKFIELD, arr. Grotenhuis

*Return, my soul, enjoy thy rest;  
Improve the day thy God hath blest;  
Another six days' work is done,  
Another sabbath is begun.  
Joseph Stennett (1663-1713)*

The Announcements

Rev. Cooper

The Chiming of the Hour

† Indicates the congregation standing

• Indicates seating for those detained

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

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

To God be the glory, great things He has done!  
So loved He the world that He gave us His Son,  
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin,  
and opened the lifegate that all may go in.  
Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the earth hear His voice!  
Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the people rejoice!  
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,  
and give Him the glory, great things He has done!

† The Call to Worship – Lamentations 3:22-24 (*congregation reads bold type*)

The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases;  
**His mercies never come to an end;**  
they are new every morning;  
**great is Your faithfulness.**  
“The LORD is my portion,” says my soul,  
*ALL:* **“therefore I will hope in Him.”**

•† The Hymn No. 5

*O Worship the King*

LYONS

† 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 – Exodus 20

And God spoke all these words, saying, I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

**You shall have no other gods before Me;**  
**You shall not make for yourself an idol;**  
**You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain;**  
**Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy;**  
**Honor your father and your mother;**  
**You shall not murder;**  
**You shall not commit adultery;**  
**You shall not steal;**  
**You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor;**  
**You shall not covet.**

### The Silent Prayers of Confession

### The Assurance of Pardon – Ephesians 1:7-8a

In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His grace, which He lavished upon us.

### The Pastoral Prayer

•✠ The Hymn No. 537      *How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds*      ST. PETER

### 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

*O Love*

Elaine Hagenberg

O Love that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in Thee;  
I give Thee back the life I owe, that in Thine ocean depths its flow  
may richer, fuller be.

O Joy that seeks me through the pain, I cannot close my heart to Thee;  
I trace the rainbow through the rain, and feel the promise is not vain:  
that morn shall tearless be.

## HEARING GOD'S VOICE

The Prayer for Illumination

Rev. Cooper

† The Reading of God's Word – Ephesians 2:1-10

pew Bible, page 1242

*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 Hard Working Man*

Rev. Cooper

The Closing Prayer

## FOLLOWING GOD'S SPIRIT

† The Hymn No. 413

*Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!*

HYFRYDOL

† The Benediction of God's Grace

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

The Postlude

*Festive Procession*

Paul Bryan



### *The Sanctuary Flowers*

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

*Caroline Wilson Daniel Slawson*

BY MR. GUICE SLAWSON AND FAMILY

## **SERMON NOTES**

*The Hard Workin' Man*

Ephesians 2:1-10

- I. Saved from Death & Wrath (vv. 1-3)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- II. Saved by God's Grace (vv. 4-7)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- III. Saved through Faith (vv. 8-9)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- IV. Saved to Good Works (v. 10)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- V. So What?

**LEADING IN WORSHIP**

Rev. Kurt Cooper, *Senior Minister*  
Dr. Mark Nabholz, *Director of Music*  
Mrs. Shonda Johnson, *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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Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

## O Worship the King

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1. O wor-ship the King all - glo-rious a - bove, O grate-ful - ly  
2. O tell of his might, O sing of his grace, whose robe is the  
3. Your boun-ti - ful care what tongue can re - cite? It breathes in the  
4. Frail chil-dren of dust, and fee - ble as frail, in you do we

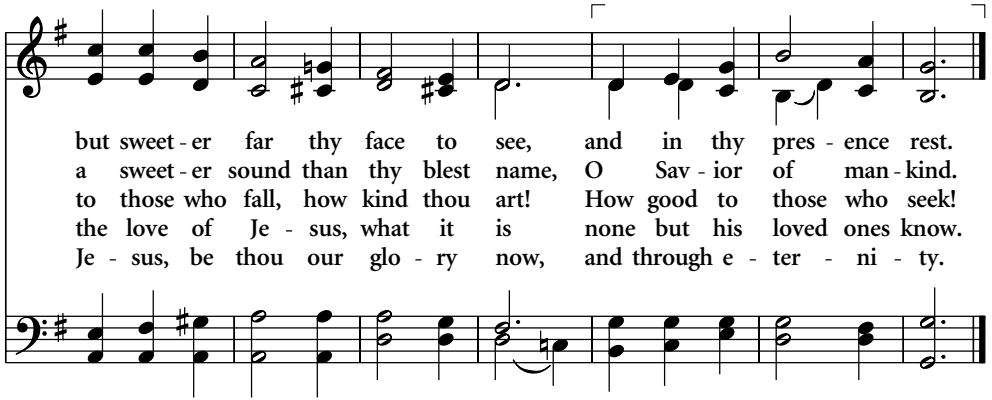
sing his pow'r and his love; our shield and De - fend - er, the  
light, whose can - o - py space. His char - iots of wrath the deep  
air; it shines in the light; it streams from the hills; it de -  
trust, nor find you to fail; your mer - cies how ten - der, how

An - cient of Days, pa - vil-ioned in splen-dor and gird - ed with praise.  
thun - der-clouds form, and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.  
scends to the plain; and sweet-ly dis - tills in the dew and the rain.  
firm to the end, our Mak - er, De - fend - er, Re - deem - er, and Friend!

WORDS: Robert Grant, 1833 (Psalm 104)

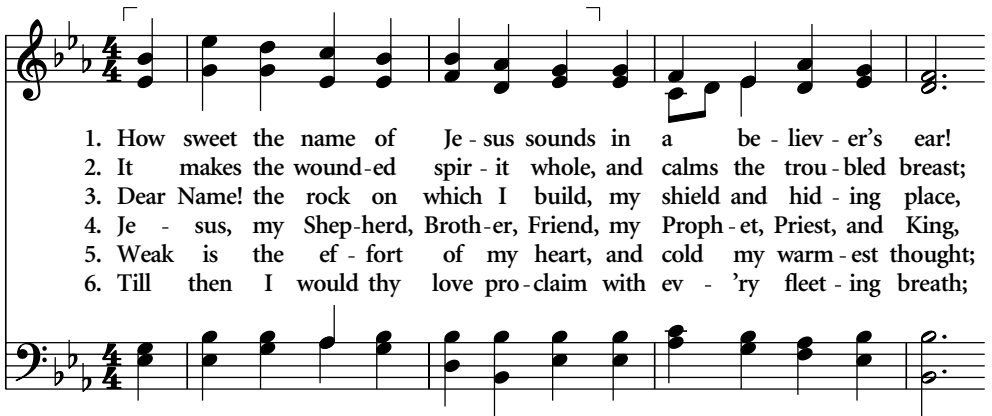
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*Psalm 145:10*

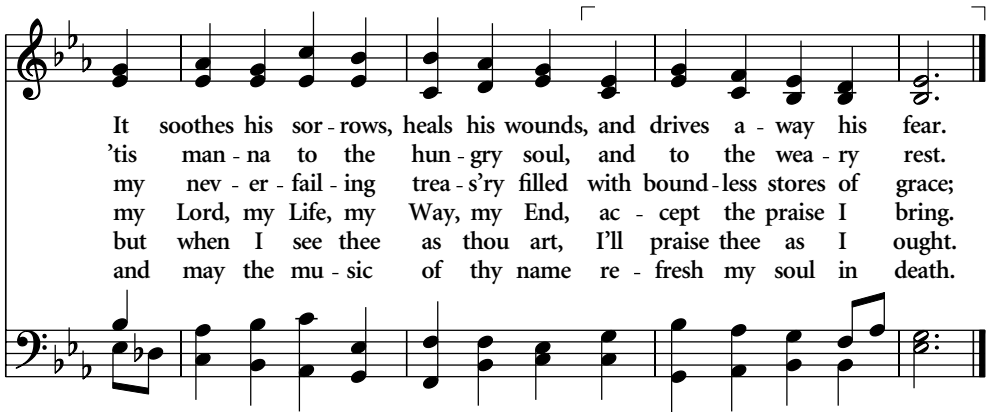


but sweet - er far thy face to see, and in thy pres - ence rest.  
 a sweet - er sound than thy blest name, O Sav - ior of man - kind.  
 to those who fall, how kind thou art! How good to those who seek!  
 the love of Je - sus, what it is none but his loved ones know.  
 Je - sus, be thou our glo - ry now, and through e - ter - ni - ty.

## How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds 537



1. How sweet the name of Je - sus sounds in a be - liev - er's ear!  
 2. It makes the wound - ed spir - it whole, and calms the trou - bled breast;  
 3. Dear Name! the rock on which I build, my shield and hid - ing place,  
 4. Je - sus, my Shep - herd, Broth - er, Friend, my Proph - et, Priest, and King,  
 5. Weak is the ef - fort of my heart, and cold my warm - est thought;  
 6. Till then I would thy love pro - claim with ev - 'ry fleet - ing breath;



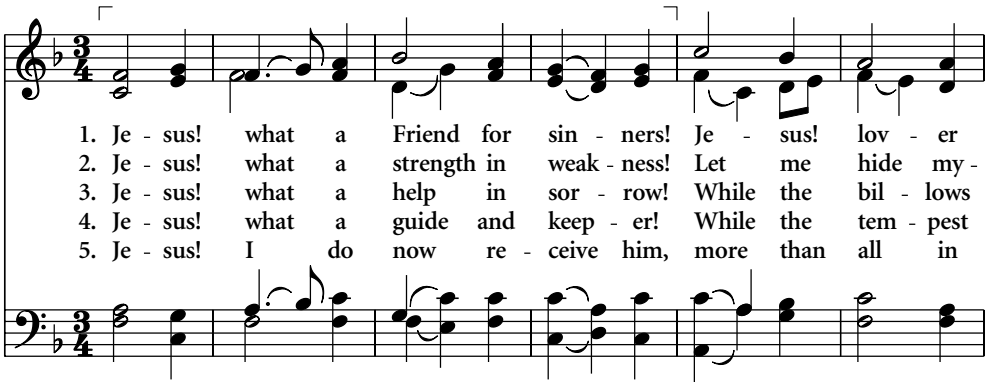
It soothes his sor - rows, heals his wounds, and drives a - way his fear.  
 'tis man - na to the hun - gry soul, and to the wea - ry rest.  
 my nev - er - fail - ing trea - s'ry filled with bound - less stores of grace;  
 my Lord, my Life, my Way, my End, ac - cept the praise I bring.  
 but when I see thee as thou art, I'll praise thee as I ought.  
 and may the mu - sic of thy name re - fresh my soul in death.

WORDS: John Newton, 1779; alt.  
 MUSIC: Alexander R. Reinagle, 1836


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*Song of Solomon 1:3*

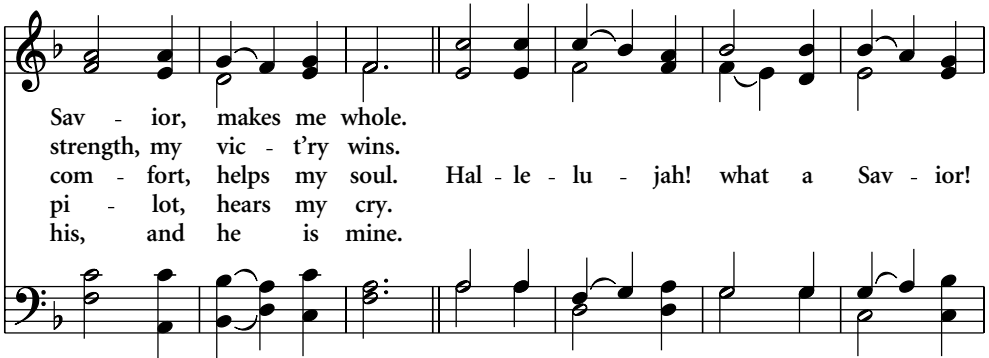
## 413 Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!



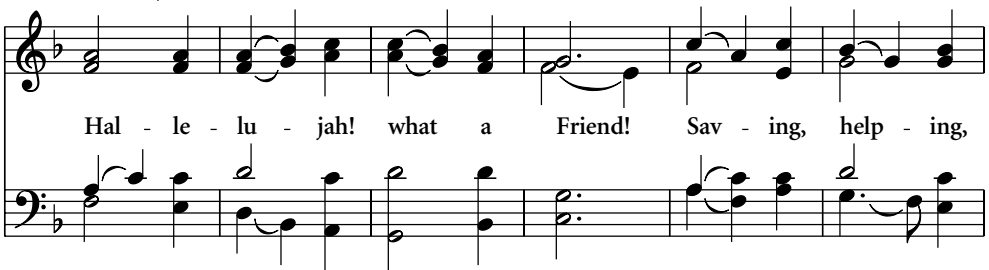
1. Je - sus! what a Friend for sin - ners! Je - sus! lov - er  
 2. Je - sus! what a strength in weak - ness! Let me hide my -  
 3. Je - sus! what a help in sor - row! While the bil - lows  
 4. Je - sus! what a guide and keep - er! While the tem - pest  
 5. Je - sus! I do now re - ceive him, more than all in



of my soul; friends may fail me, foes as - sail me, he, my  
 self in him; tempt - ed, tried, and some - times fail - ing, he, my  
 o'er me roll, e - ven when my heart is break - ing, he, my  
 still is high, storms a - bout me, night o'er - takes me, he, my  
 him I find; he hath grant - ed me for - give - ness, I am

*Refrain*


Sav - ior, makes me whole.  
 strength, my vic - t'ry wins.  
 com - fort, helps my soul. Hal - le - lu - jah! what a Sav - ior!  
 pi - lot, hears my cry.  
 his, and he is mine.



Hal - le - lu - jah! what a Friend! Sav - ing, help - ing,