



THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP

MARCH 12, 2017

THE LORD'S DAY • MARCH 12, 2017 • 8:30 AND 11:00 A.M.

MORNING WORSHIP

THE SILENT MEDITATION UPON ENTERING THE SANCTUARY

Without faith it is impossible to please Him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that He exists and that He rewards those who seek Him.

HEBREWS 11:6

The Welcome and Announcements

The Prelude Partita No. 3, *Preludio* J. S. Bach
Audrey McDonald, *violin*

The Striking of the Hour

† The Ascription of Praise *Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee* HYMN TO JOY

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before Thee, op'ning to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away;
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day!

† The Call to Worship Mr. Pendley

Minister: O magnify the Lord with me!

People: Let us exalt His name together!

Minister: We have gathered to praise our gracious God.

People: Praise God! Immortal, Invisible! From Whom all blessings flow!

† The Hymn No. 38 *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* JOANNA

† The Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

† *Congregation, please stand as able*

The Morning Offering

The Capital Campaign Report

(8:30) Mr. Will Wilson
(11:00) Mr. Barrie Harmon

The Christian Greeting

The Anthem

O for a Closer Walk with God
Chancel Choir

arr. Antony Baldwin

O for a closer walk with God, a calm and heavenly frame,
a light to shine upon the road that leads me to the Lamb,
a light to shine upon the road that leads me to the Lamb!

Return, O Holy Dove, return, sweet messenger of rest,
I hate the sin that made Thee mourn and drove Thee from my breast,
I hate the sin that made Thee mourn and drove Thee from my breast.

So shall my walk be close with God, calm and serene my frame;
so purer light shall mark the road that leads me to the Lamb,
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✠ The Reading of God's Word

Romans 1:8-15
Page 1194 in the Pew Bible

✠ The Response

The Shorter Catechism, No. 90

Minister: How is the Word to be read and heard, that it may become effectual to salvation?

People: That the Word may become effectual to salvation, we must attend thereunto with diligence, preparation, and prayer; receive it with faith and love, lay it up in our hearts, and practice it in our lives.

The Final Preparation of the Heart for Word and Sacrament

Children aged four through kindergarten may leave to attend Children's Church.

Following the service, please pick up your children from the

Children's Chapel in the Covenant Building (E-100).

The Sermon

THE HEART OF PAUL
Preaching, Prayer, and Pastoral Longing
Exposition of Romans II
Romans 1:8-15

Mr. McRoberts

Introduction

- I. Paul, The Praying Pastor: vv. 8-10
 - A. Thanksgiving: An Essential Christian Grace
 - B. God: The Only Source of All Good
 - C. Jesus Christ: The Only Mediator Between God and Man
 - D. Believers: The Body of Christ
 - E. Faith: The Motive Behind Prayer
 - II. Paul, The Longing Pastor: vv. 11-13
 - A. Encouragement that is Mutual
 - B. Fellowship that is Warm
 - C. Faith that is Encouraging
 - D. A Spiritual Harvest that Is Abundant
 - III. Paul, An Obligated Pastor: vv. 14-15
- Conclusion
- A. God's Only Son ~ Galatians 4:4-6
 - B. God's Great Mediator ~ Acts 4:12; cf I Timothy 2:5
 - C. God's Unceasing Intercessor ~ Hebrews 7:25; 4:14-16
 - D. God's Faithful Friend of Sinners ~ Hebrews 12:2; cf John 6:35, 48
 - E. God's Provisionary Bread of Life ~ Matthew 11:28-30

The Lord's Supper

The Invitation to and Fencing of the Table

Participation requires your reverence and attention, discernment of the Lord's Body, a clear understanding of the meaning of the Lord's Supper, meditation on Christ's suffering and death, self-judgment, sorrow for sin, desire for Christ, feeding on Him in faith, trusting in Him, rejoicing in His love, giving thanks for His grace, renewal of your covenant with God and commitment to Christ, and your special love to all Christians.

- † The Hymn No. 252 *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* HAMBURG
- † The Confession of Our Faith The Apostles' Creed
(Inside front cover of the *Trinity Hymnal*)
- † The Prayer of Humble Access

The Words of Institution

The Serving of the Meal

Scriptures Recommended for the Congregation's Meditation

Psalm 50:15 ~ *Call upon Me in the day of trouble; I shall rescue you, and you will honor Me.*

Ephesians 1:15–16 ~ *For this reason, because I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers ...*

Ephesians 6:23 ~ *Peace be to the brothers, and love with faith, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.*

1 Timothy 1:5 ~ *The aim of our charge is love that issues from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith.*

The Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

† The Hymn No. 297 *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!* DIADEM
(stanzas 1-4 and 6)

† The Benediction of God's Blessing and the Congregation's AMEN

Now unto Him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy, to the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever. **AMEN.**

† The Quiet Reflection, Meditation, and Personal Application

† The Postlude A Festive Intrada Walter Pelz



The sanctuary flowers this Lord's Day are given to the glory of God
and in loving memory of
HAZEL NICHOLAS QUIGGINS
by Elisabeth and Jim Byram.

CONCLUDING THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP • MARCH 12, 2017

LORD'S DAY VESPERS

PRELIMINARY PREPARATION • 5:45 P.M.

Scripture Calls Us to Worship

Psalm 100:4

Mr. McRoberts

Gathering Hymn of Praise No. 115 *All Creatures of Our God and King* LASST UNS ERFREUEN
(stanzas 1, 4, and 5)

Opening Prayer

Missionary Interview

Bill Nikides

Hymn Medley

Seek Ye First

(see page 8)

O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

(see page 8)

How Deep the Father's Love

(see page 8)

Evening Prayer

Meditation, Reflection, and Preparation for the Word

Children are dismissed to attend their classes.

Evening Lesson

Exodus 34:6-7

Page 94 in the Pew Bible

Homily

ATTRIBUTES OF GOD

Mr. Howell

“The Mercy of God”

Closing the Lord's Day Out in Song No. 486 *God Be Merciful to Me*
(stanzas 1, 4, and 5)

REDHEAD

Benediction of God's Grace

Seek Ye First

Seek ye first the kingdom of God and its righteousness,
and all these things shall be added unto you;
Allelu, alleluia!

Ask, and it shall be given unto you, seek and ye shall find,
Knock, and the door shall be opened unto you;
Allelu, alleluia! Allelu, alleluia!

O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus!

O the deep, deep love of Jesus! Vast, unmeasured, boundless, free;
rolling as a mighty ocean in its fullness over me.
Underneath me, all around me, is the current of thy love;
leading onward, leading homeward, to thy glorious rest above.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus! Spread his praise from shore to shore;
how he loveth, ever loveth, changeth never, nevermore;
how he watches o'er his loved ones, died to call them all his own;
how for them he intercedeth, watcheth o'er them from the throne.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus! Love of ev'ry love the best:
'tis an ocean vast of blessing, 'tis a haven sweet of rest.

How Deep the Father's Love

How deep the father's love for us, how vast beyond all measure, that He should give His only Son to make a wretch His treasure. How great the pain of searing loss, the Father turns His face away, as wounds which mar the Chosen One bring many sons to glory.

Behold the man upon a cross. My sin upon His shoulders; ashamed, I hear my mocking voice call out among the scoffers. It was my sin that held Him there until it was accomplished; His dying breath has brought me life—I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything, no gifts, no power, no wisdom; but I will boast in Jesus Christ, His death and resurrection. Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer, but this I know with all my heart, His wounds have paid my ransom. Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer, but this I know with all my heart, His wounds have paid my ransom.
