

THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP
SEPTEMBER 17, 2017

# **MORNING WORSHIP**

The Welcome and Announcements

The Prelude Be Thou My Vision arr. Dale Wood

The Striking of the Hour

† The Call to Worship Psalm 136:1-3 Mr. Curles

Minister: Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good, **People:** For His steadfast love endures forever.

Minister: Give thanks to the God of gods,

People: For His steadfast love endures forever.

Minister: Give thanks to the Lord of lords,

People: For His steadfast love endures forever.

- † The Processional Hymn No. 4 All Praise to God Who Reigns Above MIT FREUDEN ZART (stanzas 1-5)
- † The Confession of Our Faith The Apostles' Creed (Inside front cover of the *Trinity Hymnal*)
- † The Prayer of Adoration and Invocation
- † The Lord's Prayer (Inside front cover of the *Trinity Hymnal*)
- † The Doxology

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below; Praise Him above ye heav'nly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Morning Prayers

The Silent, Personal Prayer of Confession

The Corporate Prayer of Confession

Almighty and most merciful Father; we have erred and strayed from Thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against Thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us. But Thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare Thou those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore Thou those who are penitent; according to Thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for His sake; that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life; to the glory of Thy holy name. Amen.

The Assurance of God's Pardon

1 John 2:1-2

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

The General Prayer

† The Hymn No. 523

My Hope Is in the Lord

WAKEFIELD

# The Morning Offering

The Christian Greeting

The Anthem

It Is Well With My Soul
Chancel Choir

arr. John Ness Beck

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billows roll; whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say, "It is well, it is well with my soul."

It is well with my soul; it is well, it is well with my soul.

My sin - O the bliss of this glorious thought! my sin, not in part, but the whole, is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more; praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

It is well with my soul; it is well, it is well with my soul.

O Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight, the clouds be rolled back as a scroll, the trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend; "Even so" - it is well with my soul.

It is well with my soul; it is well, it is well with my soul.

### The Prayer of Illumination

# † The Reading of God's Word

Romans 7:7-12

What then shall we say? That the law is sin? By no means! Yet if it had not been for the law, I would not have known sin. For I would not have known what it is to covet if the law had not said, "You shall not covet." But sin, seizing an opportunity through the commandment, produced in me all kinds of covetousness. For apart from the law, sin lies dead. I was once alive apart from the law, but when the commandment came, sin came alive and I died. The very commandment that promised life proved to be death to me. For sin, seizing an opportunity through the commandment, deceived me and through it killed me. So the law is holy, and the commandment is holy and righteous and good.

# † The Response

Minister: All men are like grass, and all their glory is the like the flowers of the field.

People: The grass withers and the flowers fade, but the Word of our God shall stand forever. Amen.

The Personal Meditation and Preparation of the Heart

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 LAW AND THE BATTLE WITHIN
Exposition of Romans, XXIV
Romans 7:7-12

Mr. Howell

A detailed sermon outline can be found inside the morning announcements.

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

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace. **AMEN.** 

- † The Quiet Reflection, Meditation, and Personal Application
- † The Postlude Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above arr. Paul Laubengayer

The sanctuary flowers this Lord's Day are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of

**DR. AND MRS. RALPH W. ADAMS AND MR. AND MRS. CHARLIE MACK MARTIN** by Mr. and Mrs. Sam Adams and Mr. and Mrs. John Martin.

# LORD'S DAY VESPERS

#### PRELIMINARY PREPARATION • 5:45 P.M.

Scripture Calls Us to Worship Mr. Howell

Gathering Hymn O Love That Will Not Let Me Go (see page 8)

**Opening Prayer** 

Hymn Medley

God, Be Merciful to Me (see page 9)

How Firm a Foundation (see page 10)

On Jordan's Stormy Banks (see page 11)

Report from the Field Nancy and Jay Matsinger

**Evening Prayer** 

Meditation, Reflection, and Preparation for the Word

Children are dismissed to attend their classes.

Evening Scripture Lesson 2 Samuel 12:20-23 Page 335 in the Pew Bible

Homily Since You Asked Mr. Cooper

"Is there an age of accountability?"

Closing Chorus The Chorus of Stormy Banks (see page 11)

Benediction of God's Grace

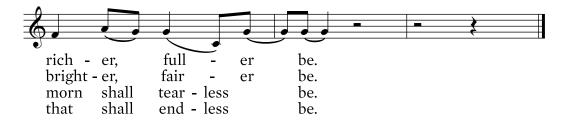
# O Love That Will Not Let Me Go



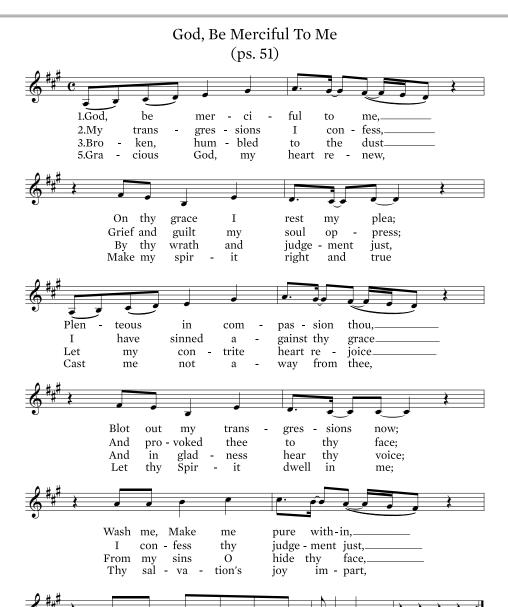
thee; I give thee back the soul in rest my wear - y yield my flick-ering torch to thee; My heart re - stores its can - not close my heart to thee; I trace the rain - bow flvfrom thee: I dust life's dare not ask in to lav



life I owe,That in thine o - cean depths its flow May bor - rowed ray, That in thy sun - shine's blaze its day May through the rain, And feel the pro - mise is not vain, That glo - ry deadAnd from the ground there blos - somsed Life



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Cleanse, O cleanse me from my sin. Speech - less, Ι thy mer - cy trust. Blot them out in bound - less grace. Stead - fast make my will - ing heart.

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#### How Firm a Foundation

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

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

"When through the deep waters I call you to go, the rivers of sorrow shall not overflow; for I will be with you, your troubles to bless, and sanctify to you your deepest distress."

# On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand



I am bound I am bound I am bound for Prom-ised land.

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