



Trinity Church

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THE LORD'S DAY

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REFLECTION & PREPARATION

CALL TO WORSHIPPSALM 24:3-8

Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord? And who shall stand in His holy place?

He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to what is false and does not swear deceitfully.

He will receive blessing from the Lord and righteousness from the God of his salvation. Such is the generation of those who seek Him, who seek the face of the God of Jacob.

Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

Who is this King of glory?

The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in battle!

(ALL) Arise, shine, for your light has come, for the glory of the Lord is risen upon you.

DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below; alleluia, alleluia!

Praise him above, ye heav'nly host,
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost;
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

INVOCATION

HYMN OF PRAISEJESUS SHALL REIGN

No. 231

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
Does His successive journeys run;
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore,
Till moons shall wax and wane no more.

To Him shall endless prayer be made,
And endless praises crown His head;
His name like sweet perfume shall rise
With ev'ry morning sacrifice.

People and realms of ev'ry tongue
Dwell on His love with sweetest song;
And infant voices shall proclaim
Their early blessings on His name.

Let ev'ry creature rise and bring
His grateful honors to our King;
Angels descend with songs again,
And earth repeat the loud "Amen!"

CONFESSION OF FAITH.....THE HEIDELBERG CATECHISM¹,
Q. 60

Q. How are you righteous before God?

A. Only by true faith in Jesus Christ. Although my conscience accuses me that I have grievously sinned against all God's commandments, have never kept any of them, and am still inclined to all evil, yet God, without any merit of my own, out of mere grace, imputes to me the perfect satisfaction, righteousness, and holiness of Christ. He grants these to me as if I had never had nor committed any sin, and as if I myself had accomplished all the obedience which Christ has rendered for me, if only I accept this gift with a believing heart.²

¹The Heidelberg Catechism originated in Germany in 1562 under the authority of Elector Frederick III, who ruled the most important German province, the Palatinate, from his castle in Heidelberg. He commissioned the preparation of a new catechism for guiding ministers and teachers in instructing people in the Christian faith.

² Rom. 3:21-28; Gal. 2:16; Eph. 2:8, 9; Phil. 3:8-11. Rom. 3:9, 10. Rom. 7:23. Deut. 9:6; Ezek. 36:22; Tit. 3:4, 5. Rom. 3:24; Eph. 2:8. Rom. 4:3-5; II Cor. 5:17-19; I John 2:1, 2. Rom. 4:24, 25; II Cor. 5:21. John 3:18; Acts 16:30, 31; Rom. 3:22.

SCRIPTURE READINGEXODUS 38

HYMN OF ADORATION.....I GREET THEE WHO MY SURE
REDEEMER ART

STRASBOURG PSALTER, 1545

I greet thee, who my sure Redeemer art
My only Trust and Savior of my heart,
Who pain didst undergo for my poor sake
I pray thee from our hearts all cares to take.

Thou art the King of mercy and of grace
Reigning omnipotent in every place
So come O King, and our whole being sway
Shine on us with the light of thy pure day.

Thou art the life by which alone we live
And all our substance and our strength receive
Sustain us by thy faith and by thy pow'r
And give us strength in every trying hour.

Our hope is in no other save in thee
Our faith is built upon thy promise free
Lord, give us peace and make us calm and sure
That in thy strength we evermore endure.

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

O most great, just and gracious God.
You condemn the ungodly,
but you have promised mercy through Jesus Christ.
We confess that we have all sinned
and fallen short of the glory of God.
We have dishonored and neglected those around us.
We have dealt unjustly and uncharitably with our
neighbors.
We have run into temptations,
and the sin, which we should have hated.
We are careless, ignorant, rash and presumptuous
against your commands, promises,
threats, mercies and judgments.
Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father.
Be reconciled to us, and let the blood of Jesus Christ
cleanse us from all our sins. Amen.

Please silently confess your sin before the Lord.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON.....ROMANS 5:8-9

“...but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God.”

HYMN OF ASSURANCE.....O LOVE THAT
WILL NOT LET ME GO

WORDS: GEORGE MATHESON

MUSIC: CHRISTOPHER MINER

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 light that followest all my way,
I yield my flickering torch to thee;
My heart restores its borrowed ray,
that in thy sunshine's blaze its day, may brighter, fairer be.

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

O Cross that liftest up my head,
I dare not ask to fly from thee;
I lay in dust life's glory dead,
and from the ground there blossoms red,
life that shall endless be.

HYMN OF CONFIDENT TRUSTON JORDAN'S STORMY
BANKS

On Jordan's Stormy banks I stand, And cast a wishful eye
To Canaan's fair and happy land, Where my possessions lie.

All o'er those wide extended plains, Shines one eternal day;
There God the Son forever reigns And scatters night away.

I am bound, I am bound (echo)
I am bound for the promised land
I am bound, I am bound (echo)
I am bound for the promised land

No chilling winds nor poisonous breath
Can reach that healthful shore;
Sickness, sorrow, pain and death,
Are felt and feared no more.

When shall I reach that happy place,
And be forever blessed?
When shall I see my Father's face,
And in His bosom rest?

SHEPHERDING PRAYER.....RE MARK FORD

SERMONHABAKKUK 3:1-7

¹ A prayer of Habakkuk the prophet, according to Shigionoth.

² O LORD, I have heard the report of you,
and your work, O LORD, do I fear.
In the midst of the years revive it;
in the midst of the years make it known;
in wrath remember mercy.

³ God came from Teman,
and the Holy One from Mount Paran. Selah
His splendor covered the heavens,
and the earth was full of his praise.

⁴ His brightness was like the light;
rays flashed from his hand;
and there he veiled his power.

⁵ Before him went pestilence,
and plague followed at his heels.

⁶ He stood and measured the earth;
he looked and shook the nations;
then the eternal mountains were scattered;
the everlasting hills sank low.
His were the everlasting ways.

⁷ I saw the tents of Cushan in affliction;
the curtains of the land of Midian did tremble.

SERMON NOTES

THE GOOD NEWS ABOUT BAD NEWS

HABAKKUK 3:1-7

1. THE GOOD NEWS SHINES BRIGHTEST IN THE DARKNESS
2. THE GOOD NEWS IS ALL ABOUT THE COMING OF THE LORD
3. THE GOOD NEWS IS THAT THE LORD COMES IN INDESCRIBABLE, INCOMPREHENSIBLE POWER
4. THE GOOD NEWS NEEDS TO BE REPEATED OFTEN

HYMN OF RESPONSEHOW GREAT YOU ARE

WORDS & MUSIC: TIM CHESTER AND BOB KAUFMAN

Our God is great, The Father of Creation
His splendor fills the earth,
The Lightning crash The thunder sings His praises,
The galaxies can't help but shout His worth.

**My soul must sing to You an offering,
How great You are
My soul must sing, oh, let the heavens ring
How great you are, Oh, how great You are.**

The Word made flesh, God's promise to the fallen
He came with pow'r to save,
The light of life was crushed for our rebellion
He died our death and rose up from the grave.

Our King will come, With trumpet blasts resounding
To claim His blood-washed bride
He'll rend the skies, descending in His glory
And in an instant faith will turn to sight.

***BENEDICTION**

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REMEMBERING IN PRAYER THIS WEEK

Ministry Partner: Ellen Hucks, CEF of Orangeburg, evangelizing and discipling boys and girls in Orangeburg and surrounding counties

Our Troops: pray for our troops and their chaplains around the world

Church of the week: Church Creek Presbyterian, Charleston; John Olson, pastor

TRINITY FAMILY

Frank Myers: recovery after back surgery

Bob Beckett: recovering at home after recent hospitalization

Louise Beckett: knee replacement surgery delayed, relief from pain

Linda Wactor: wisdom for doctors in better managing her pain

Claudia Wilkes: recovering from ankle surgery

Lawton Porter: recovery from broken leg, ongoing therapy after brain aneurysm

Linda Wells: neuropathy, improved stamina

Mark Cash: suitable employment

Willie Lou Jackson: at The Oaks in Orangeburg

Christie Churchwell: relief from headaches

Ann Betsill: at Calhoun Convalescent Center