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THE LORD'S DAY

MAY 4, 2025

**REFLECTION & PREPARATION**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** .....FROM PSALM 9

Sing praises to the LORD, who sits enthroned in Zion!

**I will sing praise to Your name, O Most High!**

LORD, I will recount among Your people all Your wonderful deeds.

**We will be glad and exult in You.**

Those who know you put their trust in You, for You, O LORD, do not forsake those who seek You.

**I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart!**

**\*GLORIA PATRI**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen, Amen.

**\*INVOCATION**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE** .....ALL HAIL THE POWER OF JESUS' NAME  
No. 97

**\*HYMN OF JOYFUL WORSHIP** .....MIGHTY TO SAVE  
WORDS & MUSIC BY: BEN FIELDING AND REUBEN MORGAN

Everyone needs compassion, a love that's never failing  
Let mercy fall on me  
Everyone needs forgiveness, the kindness of a Savior  
The hope of nations

Savior, He can move the mountains  
My God is Mighty to save, He is Mighty to save  
Forever, Author of salvation  
He rose and conquered the grave, Jesus conquered the grave

So take me as You find me, all my fears and failures  
Fill my life again  
I give my life to follow, everything I believe in  
Now I surrender, yes, I surrender

Shine your light and let the whole world see  
We're singing for the glory of the risen King

**SCRIPTURE READING** .....HEBREWS 5

READER: The Word of the Lord  
CONGREGATION: **Thanks be to God**

**SCRIPTURE MEMORY SONG**.....THOSE WHO LOOK TO HIM ARE RADIANT  
PSALM 34:4-6

I sought the Lord And He answered me (x3)  
He delivered me from all my fears (x2)

**Those who look to Him are radiant; their faces are never covered with shame (x2)**

This poor man called And the Lord heard Him (x3)  
He saved Him out of all his troubles (x2)

**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.....I HEAR THE WORDS OF LOVE**

WORDS: HORATIUS BONAR      MUSIC: HENRY GAUNTLETT

I hear the words of love, I gaze upon the blood,  
I see the mighty sacrifice, And I have peace with God.

‘Tis everlasting peace! Sure as Jehovah’s name;  
‘Tis stable as His steadfast throne, Forevermore the same.

The clouds may come and go   And storms may sweep my sky;  
This blood-sealed friendship changes not; The cross is ever nigh.

My love is oft-times low, My joy still ebbs and flows;  
But peace with Him remains the same; No change Jehovah knows.

I change, He changes not, The Christ can never die;  
His love, not mine, the resting place, His truth, not mine, the tie.

**SHEPHERDING PRAYER.....RE ALAN ULMER**

**SERMON.....GENESIS 46:28 - 47:31**

<sup>28</sup> He had sent Judah ahead of him to Joseph to show the way before him in Goshen, and they came into the land of Goshen. <sup>29</sup> Then Joseph prepared his chariot and went up to meet Israel his father in Goshen. He presented himself to him and fell on his neck and wept on his neck a good while. <sup>30</sup> Israel said to Joseph, “Now let me die, since I have seen your face and know that you are still alive.” <sup>31</sup> Joseph said to his brothers and to his father’s household, “I will go up and tell Pharaoh and will say to him, ‘My brothers and my father’s household, who were in the land of Canaan, have come to me. <sup>32</sup> And the men are shepherds, for they have been keepers of livestock, and they have brought their flocks and their herds and all that they have.’ <sup>33</sup> When Pharaoh calls you and says, ‘What is your occupation?’ <sup>34</sup> you shall say, ‘Your servants have been keepers of livestock from our youth even until now, both we and our fathers,’ in order that you may dwell in the land of Goshen, for every shepherd is an abomination to the Egyptians.”

<sup>47:1</sup> So Joseph went in and told Pharaoh, “My father and my brothers, with their flocks and herds and all that they possess, have come from the land of Canaan. They are now in the land of Goshen.” <sup>2</sup> And from among his brothers he took five men and presented them to Pharaoh. <sup>3</sup> Pharaoh said to his brothers, “What is your occupation?” And they said to Pharaoh, “Your servants are shepherds, as our fathers were.” <sup>4</sup> They said to Pharaoh, “We have come to sojourn in the land, for there is no pasture for your servants’ flocks, for the famine is severe in the land of Canaan. And now, please let your servants dwell in the land of Goshen.” <sup>5</sup> Then Pharaoh said to Joseph, “Your father and your brothers

have come to you. <sup>6</sup> The land of Egypt is before you. Settle your father and your brothers in the best of the land. Let them settle in the land of Goshen, and if you know any able men among them, put them in charge of my livestock.”

<sup>7</sup> Then Joseph brought in Jacob his father and stood him before Pharaoh, and Jacob blessed Pharaoh. <sup>8</sup> And Pharaoh said to Jacob, “How many are the days of the years of your life?” <sup>9</sup> And Jacob said to Pharaoh, “The days of the years of my sojourning are 130 years. Few and evil have been the days of the years of my life, and they have not attained to the days of the years of the life of my fathers in the days of their sojourning.” <sup>10</sup> And Jacob blessed Pharaoh and went out from the presence of Pharaoh. <sup>11</sup> Then Joseph settled his father and his brothers and gave them a possession in the land of Egypt, in the best of the land, in the land of Rameses, as Pharaoh had commanded. <sup>12</sup> And Joseph provided his father, his brothers, and all his father’s household with food, according to the number of their dependents.

<sup>13</sup> Now there was no food in all the land, for the famine was very severe, so that the land of Egypt and the land of Canaan languished by reason of the famine. <sup>14</sup> And Joseph gathered up all the money that was found in the land of Egypt and in the land of Canaan, in exchange for the grain that they bought. And Joseph brought the money into Pharaoh’s house. <sup>15</sup> And when the money was all spent in the land of Egypt and in the land of Canaan, all the Egyptians came to Joseph and said, “Give us food. Why should we die before your eyes? For our money is gone.” <sup>16</sup> And Joseph answered, “Give your livestock, and I will give you food in exchange for your livestock, if your money is gone.” <sup>17</sup> So they brought their livestock to Joseph, and Joseph gave them food in exchange for the horses, the flocks, the herds, and the donkeys. He supplied them with food in exchange for all their livestock that year. <sup>18</sup> And when that year was ended, they came to him the following year and said to him, “We will not hide from my lord that our money is all spent. The herds of livestock are my lord’s. There is nothing left in the sight of my lord but our bodies and our land. <sup>19</sup> Why should we die before your eyes, both we and our land? Buy us and our land for food, and we with our land will be servants to Pharaoh. And give us seed that we may live and not die, and that the land may not be desolate.”

<sup>20</sup> So Joseph bought all the land of Egypt for Pharaoh, for all the Egyptians sold their fields, because the famine was severe on them. The land became Pharaoh’s. <sup>21</sup> As for the people, he made servants of them from one end of Egypt to the other. <sup>22</sup> Only the land of the priests he did not buy, for the priests had a fixed allowance from Pharaoh and lived on the allowance that Pharaoh gave them; therefore they did not sell their land.

<sup>23</sup> Then Joseph said to the people, “Behold, I have this day bought you and your land for Pharaoh. Now here is seed for you, and you shall sow the land. <sup>24</sup> And at the harvests you shall give a fifth to Pharaoh, and four fifths shall be your own, as seed for the field and as food for yourselves and your households, and as food for your little ones.” <sup>25</sup> And they said, “You have saved our lives; may it please my lord, we will be servants to Pharaoh.” <sup>26</sup> So Joseph made it a statute concerning the land of Egypt, and it stands to this day, that Pharaoh should have the fifth; the land of the priests alone did not become Pharaoh’s.

<sup>27</sup> Thus Israel settled in the land of Egypt, in the land of Goshen. And they gained possessions in it, and were fruitful and multiplied greatly. <sup>28</sup> And Jacob lived in the land of Egypt seventeen years. So the days of Jacob, the years of his life, were 147 years.

<sup>29</sup> And when the time drew near that Israel must die, he called his son Joseph and said to him, “If now I have found favor in your sight, put your hand under my thigh and promise to deal kindly and truly with me. Do not bury me in Egypt, <sup>30</sup> but let me lie with my fathers. Carry me out of Egypt and bury me in their burying place.” He answered, “I will do as you have said.” <sup>31</sup> And he said, “Swear to me”; and he swore to him. Then Israel bowed himself upon the head of his bed.

# SERMON NOTES

## GOD GOES DOWN TO EGYPT GENESIS 46:28 - 47:31

BIG IDEA:

CONVERSATION KILLER:

JOSEPH THE ENSLAVER?

### \*HYMN OF RESPONSE .....HE WILL HOLD ME FAST

WORDS: ADA HABERSHON    MUSIC: MATT MERKER

When I fear my faith will fail,  
Christ will hold me fast  
When the tempter would prevail,  
He will hold me fast  
I could never keep my hold  
Through life's fearful path  
For my love is often cold,  
He must hold me fast

**He will hold me fast He will hold me fast  
For my Savior loves me so He will hold me fast**

Those He saves are His delight,  
Christ will hold me fast  
Precious in His holy sight,  
He will hold me fast  
He'll not let my soul be lost,  
His promises shall last  
Bought by Him at such a cost,  
He will hold me fast  
For my life He bled and died,  
Christ will hold me fast  
Justice has been satisfied,  
He will hold me fast  
Raised with Him to endless life,  
He will hold me fast  
Till our faith is turned to sight,  
When he comes at last

### \*BENEDICTION

VISITATION SCHEDULE		
WEEK OF MAY 5-11	WEEK OF MAY 12-18	WEEK OF MAY 19-25
Jeff & Mary Watford	Mark & Karen Ford	Jane Junquet

# BULLETIN BOARD

## SPECIAL OFFERING TODAY FOR MTW COMPASSION FUND

When disaster strikes in locations where Mission to the World ministers, the MTW Compassion Fund provides immediate and ongoing relief. The fund empowers MTW missionaries to respond to urgent needs in their communities, allowing them to give physical aid and share the hope of the gospel. We are taking up a special offering for the Compassion Fund today. Please make your check payable to MTW and write "Compassion 40043" on the memo line.

## JOIN US FOR BREAKFAST ON MOTHER'S DAY NEXT SUNDAY

Come help us honor our moms on Mother's Day as we gather for breakfast at 9:30 am next Sunday.. You won't want to miss this one! Sign up at the information counter or email the office if you can join us on May 11. Anyone interested in helping prepare or serve the meal, please contact Pastor John Mark.

## GRADUATION LUNCHEON FOR ASHTON FOLK IS MAY 18

Plan to stay for lunch after worship on Sunday, May 18, when we will honor our high school graduate Ashton Folk. Please sign up at the information counter or email the church office if you can come.

## 5-DAY CLUB MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Do you have a heart for sharing the gospel with children in our neighborhood? We will be working with Child Evangelism Fellowship's 5-Day Club program again this summer and two different weeks are under consideration - either June 16-20 or July 7-11. A team coordinator and workers who can present the Bible lesson and other aspects of the club are needed. We plan to visit the Orangeburg Prep Summer Program, which will be located in the lower level of our building, and Sugar N Spice Daycare. Please contact Pastor John Mark if you are able to help or if you have questions.

## HELP UPDATE THE CHURCH DIRECTORY

Please take a look at the church directory on the information counter in the narthex and mark any changes that need to be made. New updated church directories will be available soon.

### REMEMBERING IN PRAYER THIS WEEK

**Ministry Partner:** Edisto Habitat for Humanity, putting God's love into action by bringing people together to build homes, communities, and hope.

**Our Troops:** pray all of our troops and their chaplains around the world

**Church of the week:** Redeemer Presbyterian, Charleston; Craig Bailey, pastor

### TRINITY FAMILY

**Deborah Finkelstein:** ongoing medical concerns

**Brush Babb:** continued strengthening and improvement

**Joe Junquet:** continued healing of his nerves

**Melonie Anderson:** recovering from knee replacement surgery

**Claudia Wilkes:** for her kidney function to continue at 25 percent to avoid dialysis, balance issues

**Lawton Porter:** recovery from surgery; ongoing therapy

**Christie Churchwell:** relief from headaches

# THIS WEEK @ TRINITY

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CALENDAR		
SUN 5/4	8:45AM 9:30AM 10:30AM	PRAYER SUNDAY SCHOOL MORNING WORSHIP
TUE 5/6	6:30AM	MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
WED 5/7	5:30PM	PRAYER
SUN 5/11	8:45AM 9:30AM 10:30AM	PRAYER MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST MORNING WORSHIP

TRINITY READING TOGETHER					
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
HEBREWS 6	HEBREWS 7	HEBREWS 8	HEBREWS 9	HEBREWS 10	HEBREWS 11

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