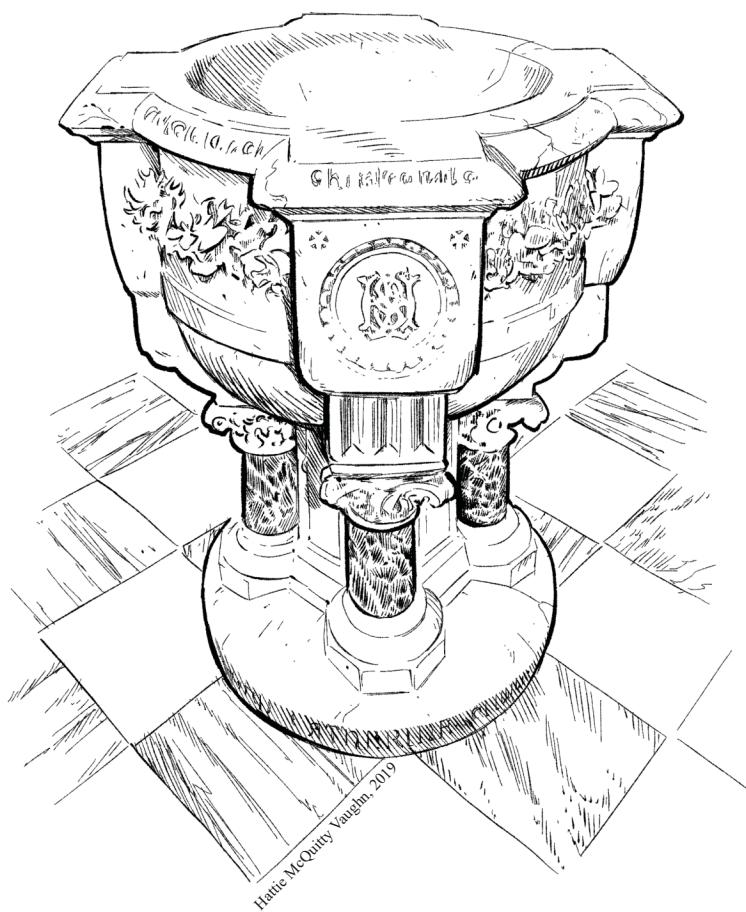


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THE LORD'S DAY MORNING WORSHIP

SANCTUARY ~ TEN O'CLOCK

"Let us show gratitude, by which we may offer to God an acceptable service, with reverence and awe." Hebrews 12:28

The Prelude - "O God of Truth"
O God of Truth, whose living Word
Upholds whate'er has breath,
Look down on Thy created sons
Enslaved by sin and death.

— Thomas Hughes (1859)

George Dyson

The Sounding of the Hour

+ The Welcome and Announcements

The Silent Prayer of Preparation

O Almighty God, who alone can order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men; grant to Your people, that they may love the thing which You command, and desire that which You promise; so that, among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed, where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Call to Worship - With Cheerful Voice I Sing (v. 2) Rhosymedre

Text:

In Jesus we behold
His Father's glorious face,
Shining forever bright
With mild and lovely rays:
Th' eternal God's eternal Son
Inherits and partakes the throne.

— Isaac Watts, from *Hymns and Spiritual Songs* (2nd ed., 1709)

+* The Hymnal - #117 "The Spacious Firmament on High" Creation

* The Invocation and Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on 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, forever. Amen.

* The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth:

And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell*; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church;**
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

* this refers to the realm of the dead, not the place of punishment.

** "catholic" means "universal" church, the true church in all times and places.

* The Gloria Patri (Hymnal, #103) Grosser Gott

Holy Father, Holy Son,
Holy Spirit, Three we name You;
While in essence only One,
Undivided God we claim You;
And adoring bend the knee,
While we sing this mystery. Amen.

The Pastoral Prayer

The Scripture Reading - Isaiah 13 (15th reading—pew Bible pp. 576–577) Mark 8:22–26 (pew Bible p. 844)

The Reception of New Members

The Sacrament of Covenant Baptism

The Recognition of Memorization

* **The Psalter** - Psalm 130 (*Psalter*, pages 113)

Martyrdom

* **The Prayer of Thanksgiving**

The Collection

The Anthem - "Church of God, Elect and Glorious" Michael Costello

The Adult Choir

Text:

Church of God, elect and glorious, holy nation, chosen race,
Called as God's on special people, royal priests and heirs of grace:
Know the purpose of your calling, show to all His mighty deeds;
Tell of love that knows no limits, grace that meets all human needs.

God has called you out of darkness into His most marvelous light,
Brought His truth to life within you, turned your blindness into sight.
Let your light so shine around you that God's name is glorified,
And all find fresh hope and purpose in Christ Jesus crucified.

Once you were an alien people, strangers to God's heart of love,
But He brought you home in mercy, citizens of heaven above.
Let His love flow out to others, let them feel the Father's care,
That they too may know His welcome and His countless blessings share.

Church of God, elect and glorious, be the people He intends,
Strong in faith and swift to answer each command your Master sends;
Royal priests, fulfill your calling through your sacrifice and prayer,
Give your lives in joyful service, sing His praise, His love declare.

— James Seddon, after 1 Peter 2:9–12

* **The Doxology and Dismissal**

Merton

Children ages 4 & 5 may leave for a separate service as we sing

Honor, glory, might, and blessing
To the Father and the Son,
With the everlasting Spirit
While unending ages run. Amen.

The Sermon

Mr. Johnson

"GUIDING OUR PROGRESS"

XXIV. Jesus Deals With Us

* **The Hymnal** - #455 "And Can It Be That I Should Gain"

Sagina

* **The Benediction and Response**

(sung by all)

Aberystwyth

Plenteous grace with thee is found,
Grace to cover all my sin;
Let the healing streams abound;
Make and keep me pure within:
Thou of life the Fountain art,
Freely let me take of thee;
Spring thou up within my heart,
Rise to all eternity.

— *Trinity Hymnal* #508 (last stanza)

The Postlude - Praeludium in A minor

Georg Böhm

* Congregation Standing
+ Latecomers may be seated

** Children's Church: Brittney Howard and Amy Milling
Assisting: Evan Gear
Organist and Choirmaster: Jacob H. Fuhrman

GREETERS-ELDERS:

FRONT DOOR Elder & Mrs. D. Gross
NORTH SIDE M. Hazeltine
SOUTH SIDE W. Milling

SUNDAY SCHOOL GREETER:

Elder: R. Thompson III
GREETERS-USHERS/DEACONS:
FRONT DOOR: J. Tomlinson
BAPTISMAL FONT: B. Johnson

THE LORD'S DAY EVENING WORSHIP

SANCTUARY ~ FIVE THIRTY O'CLOCK

“God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.” John 4:24

Preparation (5:15-5:30 p.m.)

Hymn Sing - Psalm 127 (*Psalm of the Month*)

Glasgow

* *Announcements*

Praise

Call to Worship and Prayer of Praise

+* *Hymnal* - #295 “Crown Him with Many Crowns”

Diademata

Confession of Sin, Pardon, and Thanksgiving

* *Reading of the Law of God* (see back panel of hymnal)

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Affirmation of Faith - The Westminster Creed, Part III
(based on the *Shorter Catechism*)

I believe Christ, as our Redeemer, executes the offices of a prophet, of a priest, and of a king.

I believe Christ as our Redeemer underwent the miseries of this life, the wrath of God, and the cursed death of the cross, offering up Himself as a sacrifice to satisfy divine justice, and reconcile us to God; He was buried, yet He rose again from the dead on the third day, ascended up into heaven, sits at the right hand of God the Father, and is coming to judge the world at the last day.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Collection - Trio on Ar Hyd Y Nos

Janet Correll

Organ: Mr. Matthew Crowe

Text:

See *Trinity Hymnal*, #405

Provision for Life and Growth

Scripture Reading - 1 Peter 1:1-12 (1st reading—pew Bible p. 1014)

Prayer of Intercession

* *Psalter* - Psalm 19:7-14 (*Psalter*, page 14)

Columbia

* *Prayer of Illumination*

Sermon - Exodus 20:13 (pew Bible p. 61)

Mr. Johnson

“THE SIXTH COMMANDMENT – 4”

XXXIV. The Ten Commandments

Thanksgiving and Blessing

* *Hymnal* - #305 “Arise, My Soul, Arise”

Lenox

* *Benediction*