

DIVINE WORSHIP  
8:30 A.M. AND 11:15 A.M.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses,  
let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely,  
and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us.

(Hebrews 12:1, ESV)

(+ Congregation, please stand if able.)

PRELUDE: *Fugue on B-A-C-H, Op. 60, No. 4* Robert Schumann

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT: *Jesus, Lover of My Soul* ABERYSTWYTH  
Joseph Parry

String Quartet  
Julie Anne Russell and Sally Cathcart, violins; Carson Coomes, viola;  
and Campbell Cathcart, cello

CALL TO WORSHIP Mr. S. Henderson (8:30) Mr. Squires (11:15)

+ HYMN 14: *New Songs of Celebration Render* RENDEZ A DIEU

+ INVOCATION AND LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father, which 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.

+ CONFESSION OF FAITH

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.

+ GLORIA PATRI Henry Greatorex

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.

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Come, blessed Spirit, search me. Show me my sin in its darkest  
colors, that I may hate it truly. Show me the majesty and mercy of  
God, that my heart may tremble and melt. Convince me of sin,  
righteousness, and judgment. Show me how I have undone  
myself— and that help is found in Christ alone. Teach my faith to  
see Him on the cross, arms open, side pierced, declaring there is  
room in His heart for me. Subdue my heart by love—crucify it  
with Christ. Make me dead to sin, and alive to God. If any secret  
sin still clings, tear it out by Your graciously severe hand, though it  
wound. Perfect what is lacking in my faith. Form Christ’s image in  
me. Enrich me with grace, and let me bear His likeness, keep His  
law, and serve His cause. Make me, O God, a trophy of victorious  
grace, now and forever. In Jesus’ Name. Amen.

Adapted from a prayer by Philip Doddridge

SCRIPTURAL ASSURANCE OF PARDON

We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the  
body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no  
longer be enslaved to sin. For one who has died has been set free  
from sin.

(Romans 6:6–7, ESV)

MORNING PRAYER

+ HYMN 512: *I Lay My Sins on Jesus* COMMEMORATION

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY: *Household Music: III. Aberystwyth (Variations)*  
Ralph Vaughan Williams

+ DOXOLOGY OLD HUNDREDTH

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.

(During the 11:15 a.m. service, K4 and K5 children may leave for Children’s Church.  
Parents should come for them in the Education Building, Room 103.)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON Philippians 2:19-30  
(Pew Bible page 981; Children’s Bible page 1273)

SERMON: Rev. Dr. John Currie  
“Walking with Christlike Examples”

PRAYER FOR BLESSING ON THE WORD OF GOD

+ HYMN 442: *Arise, O God* RHOSYMEDRE  
*(Stanzas 1-3)*

+ BENEDICTION

+ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE 442: *Arise, O God* RHOSYMEDRE  
*(Final stanza)*

To God, the only wise, the one immortal King,  
Let hallelujahs rise from ev’ry living thing;  
Let all that breathe, on ev’ry coast,  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

POSTLUDE: *Toccata on "Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart"* Albert L. Travis

## SERMON NOTES

“Walking with Christlike Examples”  
Philippians 2:19-30 | Rev. Dr. John Currie

## WORSHIP AT FIRST

- ☞ Thank you for turning off cell phones during the worship service.
- ☞ The Sanctuary is equipped with a hearing assistance system. Please ask deacons for a receiver.
- ☞ Nurseries for children to the age of four are provided in the Education Building.
- ☞ A quiet room with a live video feed of the service is available in the Education Building, Room 113. There, mothers may attend to the needs of their children.

For information on upcoming events,  
please visit the church website.

**THE LORD’S SUPPER:** During our evening worship service, we will observe the Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper. The day ahead of us, therefore, is one in which we prepare for a joyful gathering at the table of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of my dear wife, Eileen, by Dr. George Hallman.

The flowers in Jackson Hall are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the marriage of Elizabeth Windley and Patrick Williamson.

## EVENING WORSHIP

6:00 P.M.

“The Nations Tremble”

Isaiah 15-16 | Rev. Josh Squires

## PASTORAL STAFF

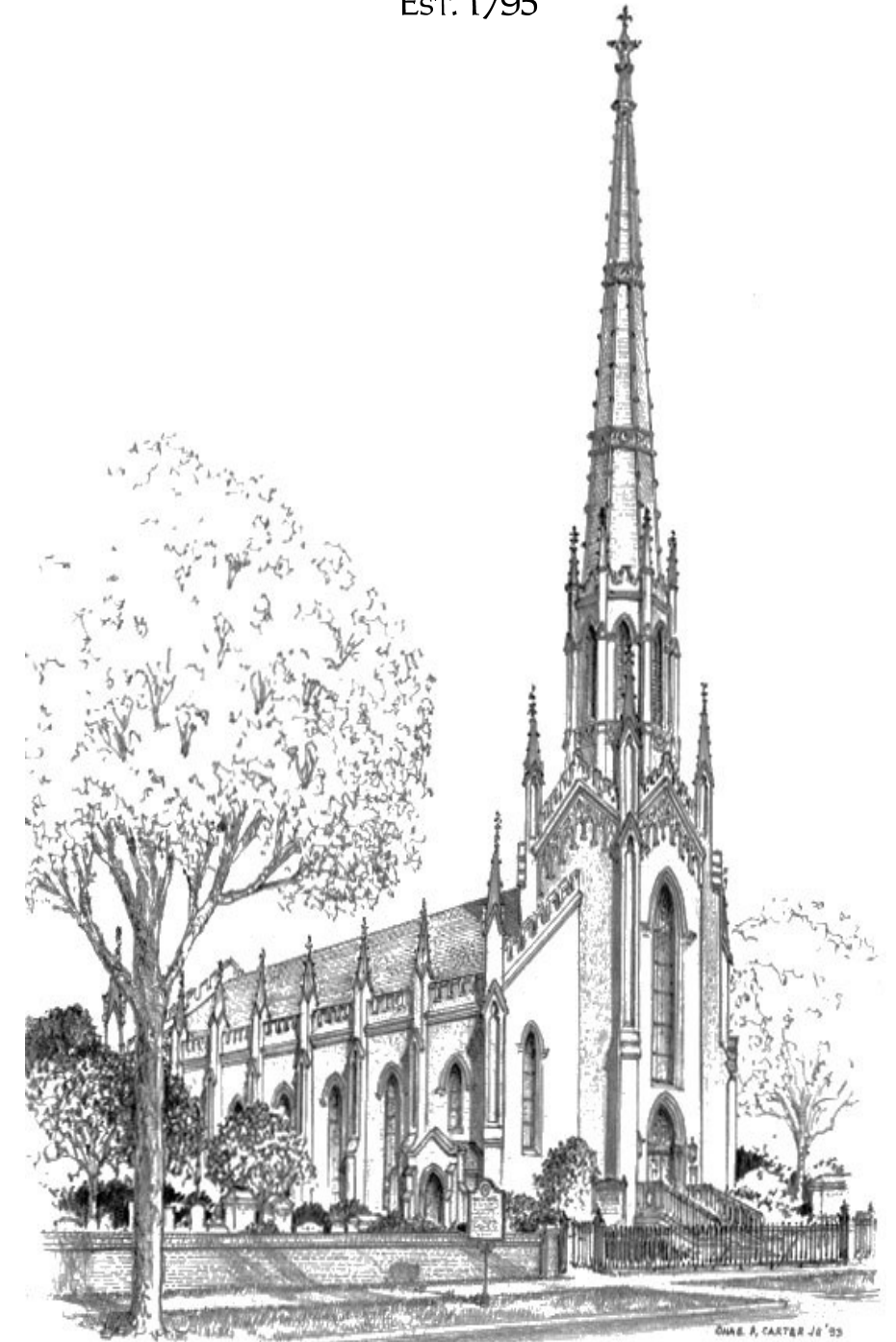
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“IT IS GOOD TO GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD, TO SING PRAISES TO YOUR NAME,  
O MOST HIGH; TO DECLARE YOUR STEADFAST LOVE IN THE  
MORNING, AND YOUR FAITHFULNESS BY NIGHT.”

(PSALM 92:1,2)

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