



ORDER OF WORSHIP
September 5th, 2021

MORNING WORSHIP

Thomas Winn — Elder/Pastor

The Prelude	Prepare your heart for worship
The Call to Worship	Chris Kimbrell
Trinity Hymnal No. 20	"Give to Our God Immortal Praise"
The Prayer of Confession and Praise	Seth Lirette
Trinity Hymnal No. 105	"Hallelujah Praise Jehovah"
Trinity Hymnal No. 712	"I Know Whom I have Believed"
The Reading of the Word — <i>Genesis 1:24-31</i>	Hal Pritchard
Trinity Hymnal No. 335	"Abide With Me"
The Pastoral Prayer	Pastor Winn
The Sermon — <i>"Marriage, Pt. III" (Ephesians 5:25-33)</i>	Pastor Winn
The Observance of The Lord's Supper	
Trinity Hymnal No. 492	"Take My Life and Let it Be"
The Benediction	Hal Pritchard
The Postlude	

AFTERNOON WORSHIP

The Prelude	Prepare your heart for worship
Baptist Hymnal No. 335	"Standing on the Promises"
Baptist Hymnal No. 559	"Rescue the Perishing"
The Sermon — <i>"Suffering for the Gospel" (Philippians 1:12-14)</i>	Hal Pritchard
A Time of Reflection Upon the Word Preached	
Baptist Hymnal No. 412	"My Faith has Found a Resting Place"
The Benediction	Pastor Winn
The Postlude	



COMMENTARY

C. H Spurgeon

THE love of Jesus, — what a theme it is! The apostle said that it passeth knowledge; and if it passeth knowledge, much more doth it excel any description that can be given of it. The heart may feel it hotter than the tongue may speak it. If there is one subject more than another upon which I wish ever to speak, it is the love of Christ; but if there is one which quite baffles me, and makes me go back from this platform utterly ashamed of my poor feeble words, and of the tongue which has uttered them, it is this subject. This love of Christ is the most amazing thing under heaven, if not in heaven itself. How often have I said to you that, if I had heard that Christ pitied us, I could understand it. If I had heard that Christ had mercy upon us, I could comprehend it; but when it is written that he actually loves us, that is quite another and a much more extraordinary thing. Love betwixt mortal and mortal is quite natural and comprehensible; but love between the infinite God and us poor sinful finite creatures, though conceivable in one sense, is utterly inconceivable in another. Who can grasp such an idea? Who can fully understand it? Especially when it comes in this form, — “HE” capitals) “loved me, and gave himself for me,” —this is (read the it miracle in large of miracles. I feel the more embarrassed with my subject, at the very entrance upon it, because this love of Christ is here positively likened to the love of a husband to his wife, and is so likened to it as to be made the model of what the husband’s love to his wife should be:

“Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it.” I should never have dared to draw the comparison, nor should any man have drawn it, but that the Holy Ghost himself moved the pen of Paul to write it; and this being the case, we shall not be intruding into the secret places of the Most High if we now enter upon the consideration of this wondrous theme. Verily, I may well say, as the apostle does in the thirty-second verse, “This is a great mystery: but I speak concerning Christ and the church.” It is a mystery, a subject far too deep for the mere intellect to dive into its depths, and too sacred for us to think or speak of except with utmost solemnity of heart. How shall I order my speech in the presence of such a subject as this? How shall I be free and yet be guarded? How shall I take you to the edge of this great sea of truth, and even venture into it without getting at once out of my depth? “Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church”: a parallel is drawn between poor mortals like ourselves who occupy the position of husbands and our glorious Lord who is God over all, blessed for ever. In boundless condescension, he deigns to occupy the same kind of place in reference to his church which he calls his bride, he himself being the Bridegroom who is soon to come. Again I say that I should never have thought of such a comparison had not the Holy Spirit himself put it before us, and invited us to consider it.



RESPONSIBILITIES

Today's Nursery Volunteers

September 5th
<i>Morning</i> Ashley Lirette & Mary Margaret Pritchard
<i>Evening/Afternoon</i> Bunny Finch & Rhia McDonough
<i>Wednesday - September 8th</i> Bethany Wallace

Today's Sound Operator - John Ingram



ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE LORD'S SUPPER

Today we will observe the Lord's Supper during our morning service.

FELLOWSHIP MEAL

Today we will have our fellowship meal immediately following the morning service.

CHILDREN'S CLASS PROMOTION

The fall promotion for Sunday School will take place today. If you have any questions please see Bridgette. To see the classes your child will be participating in, you can find the upcoming class schedules on the bulletin board in the Children's Department.

CHILDREN'S CATECHISM AND SINGING

Our toddlers, preschoolers, and kindergarteners will be reciting the catechisms they have been learning over the past year along with singing a few of their favorite songs prior to the afternoon service on September 5th.

CANOE/KAYAK TRIP

There will be a churchwide canoe/kayak trip down the Okatoma on September 25th. We will meet in Seminary at Seminary Canoe Rental at 9 am and do the 8 mi portion of the Okatoma. Afterwards, we will meet at the Pogue's home for a time of fellowship. Canoe rentals are \$30, single kayaks are \$30, and double kayaks are \$50. A sign up list will be posted for those who plan on going down the Okatoma and for those planning to join us for the fellowship afterwards.

