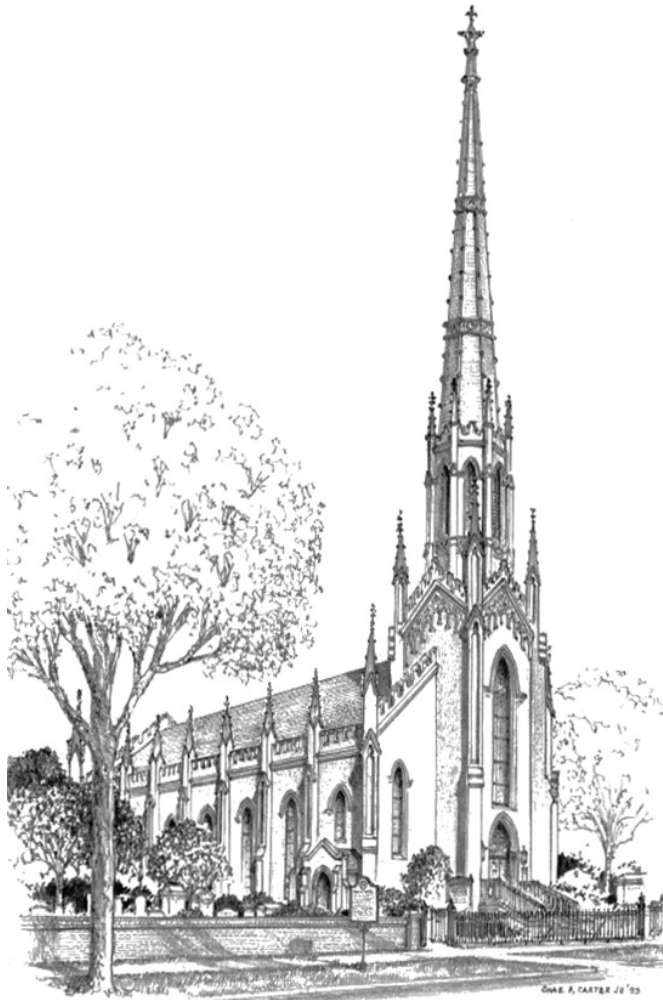


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To Thee all adoration;
In grace and truth Thou drawest nigh
To offer us salvation;
Thou showest Thy goodwill to men,
And peace shall reign on earth again;
We praise Thy name forever.

We praise, we worship Thee, we trust,
And give Thee thanks forever,
O Father, for Thy rule is just
And wise, and changes never;
Thy hand almighty o'er us reigns,
Thou doest what Thy will ordains;
'Tis well for us Thou rulest.

The Chancel Choir
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CALL TO WORSHIP

+ **HYMN 168** *I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art*

TOULON

Please find the music on page 6 of your bulletin.

+ 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.

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LADY STREET

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(Stanzas 1 & 2)

JESUS LOVES ME

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CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Our merciful and mighty Father, Your voice formed the mountains, flung the stars to their stations, opened the Red Sea, and shut the lion's mouth. To Your children, You are a tender Father, overflowing with grace. But we are a stubborn and stiff-necked people who resist Your will, break Your law, and kick against the goads of a chafing providence. Yet You have taught us this: we cast and You carry. Help us to cast all our anxieties at Your feet—the great and the small, the crushing and the petty. Make us humble beneath Your mighty hand. Make us sober and watchful against the devil's wiles. And when we have suffered a little while, perfect what is lacking, establish what is crumbling, and settle us so firmly in Your grace that nothing—no adversary, no affliction, no anxiety—will ever again move us from Your hand. In Jesus' Name. Amen.

SCRIPTURAL ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand...Fear not, you worm Jacob, you men of Israel! I am the one who helps you, declares the LORD; your Redeemer is the Holy One of Israel.

(Isaiah 41:10, 14, ESV)

MORNING PRAYER

+ **HYMN 99** *My Song Forever Shall Record (Stanzas 1–4, 8)*

WINCHESTER NEW

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RECEIVING OF THE LORD'S TITHE AND OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *And I Saw a New Heaven*

Eric Nelson

And I saw a new heav'n and I saw a new earth;
For the first heav'n and the first earth were passed away,
And there was no more sea.

And I, John, saw the holy city, new Jerusalem,
Coming down from God out of heav'n,
Prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

I heard a great voice out of heav'n saying,
“Behold, behold, the tabernacle of God is with men,
Behold, He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people;
And God Himself shall be with them and be their God.

And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes;
And there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying,
Neither shall there be any more pain,
For the former things are passed away.

Revelation 21:1–4

Julie Anne Russell, violin; Campbell Cathcart, cello

+ **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.

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SERMON "Suffering with Purpose"

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PRAYER FOR BLESSING ON THE WORD OF GOD

+ **HYMN 520** *Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness (Stanzas 1–4)*

GERMANY

Please find the music on page 9 of your bulletin.

+ **BENEDICTION**

+ **CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE 520** *Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness
(Stanza 5)*

GERMANY

O let the dead now hear Thy voice;
Now bid Thy banished ones rejoice;
Their beauty this, their glorious dress,
Jesus, Thy blood and righteousness.

POSTLUDE *Trumpet Processional in G*

David German

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I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art

168

Who gave himself for our sins to rescue us from the present evil age. Gal. 1:4

1. I greet thee, who my sure Re - deem - er art, my on - ly
 2. Thou art the King of mer - cy and of grace, reign - ing om -
 3. Thou art the Life, by which a - lone we live, and all our
 4. Thou hast the true and per - fect gen - tle - ness, no harsh - ness
 5. Our hope is in no oth - er save in thee; our faith is

trust and Sav - ior of my heart, who pain didst un - der -
 nip - o - tent in ev - 'ry place: so come, O King, and
 • sub - stance and our strength re - ceive; O com - fort us in
 hast thou and no bit - ter - ness: make us to taste the
 built up - on thy prom - ise free; O grant to us such

go for my poor sake; I pray thee from our hearts all cares to take.
 our whole be - ing sway; shine on us with the light of thy pure day.
 • death's ap - proach - ing hour, strong - heart - ed then to face it by thy pow'r.
 sweet grace found in thee and ev - er stay in thy sweet u - ni - ty.
 strong - er hope and sure that we can bold - ly con - quer and en - dure.

Jesus Loves Me, This I Know

I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. Gal. 2:20

C G C F F/C C

1. Je - sus loves me, this I know, for the Bi - ble tells me so;
 2. Je - sus loves me, he who died, heav - en's gates to o - pen wide;
 3. Je - sus loves me, loves me still, though I'm ver - y weak and ill;
 4. Je - sus loves me, he will stay close be - side me all the way:

G C F C C/G G⁷ C

lit - tle ones to him be - long, they are weak but he is strong.
 he will wash a - way my sin, let his lit - tle child come in.
 from his shin - ing throne on high comes to watch me where I lie.
 if I love him, when I die he will take me home on high.

REFRAIN

F C G

Yes, Je - sus loves me! Yes, Je - sus loves me!

C F C/G G⁷ C 7

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My Song Forever Shall Record

99

I will sing of the LORD'S great love forever; with my mouth I will make your faithfulness known through all generations. Ps. 89:1

1. My song for - ev - er shall re - cord the
2. I sing of mer - cies that en - dure, for -
3. Be - hold God's truth and grace dis - played, for
4. "For him my mer - cy shall en - dure, my

ten - der mer - cies of the Lord; your faith - ful - ness will
ev - er build - ed firm and sure, of faith - ful - ness that
he has faith - ful cov - 'nant made, and he has sworn that
cov - 'nant made with him is sure; his throne and race I

I pro - claim, and ev - ery age shall know your name.
nev - er dies, es - tab - lished change - less in the skies.
Da - vid's son shall ev - er sit up - on his throne:
will main - tain for - ev - er, while the heav'ns re - main."

8. All glory unto God we yield,
Jehovah is our help and shield;
all praise and honor we will bring
to Israel's Holy One, our King.

Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness

520

Justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus.

Rom. 3:24

1. Je - sus, thy blood and righ - teous - ness my beau - ty
 2. Bold shall I stand in thy great day; for who aught
 3. When from the dust of death I rise to claim my
 4. Je - sus, be end - less praise to thee, whose bound - less
 5. O let the dead now hear thy voice; now bid thy

are, my glo - rious dress; 'midst flam - ing worlds, in
 to my charge shall lay? Ful - ly ab - solved through
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 mer - cy hath for me— for me a full a -
 ban - ished ones re - joice; their beau - ty this, their

these ar - rayed, with joy shall I lift up my head.
 these I am from sin and fear, from guilt and shame.
 • all my plea, Je - sus hath lived, hath died, for me.
 tone - ment made, an ev - er - last - ing ran - som paid.
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SERMON NOTES

“Suffering with Purpose”

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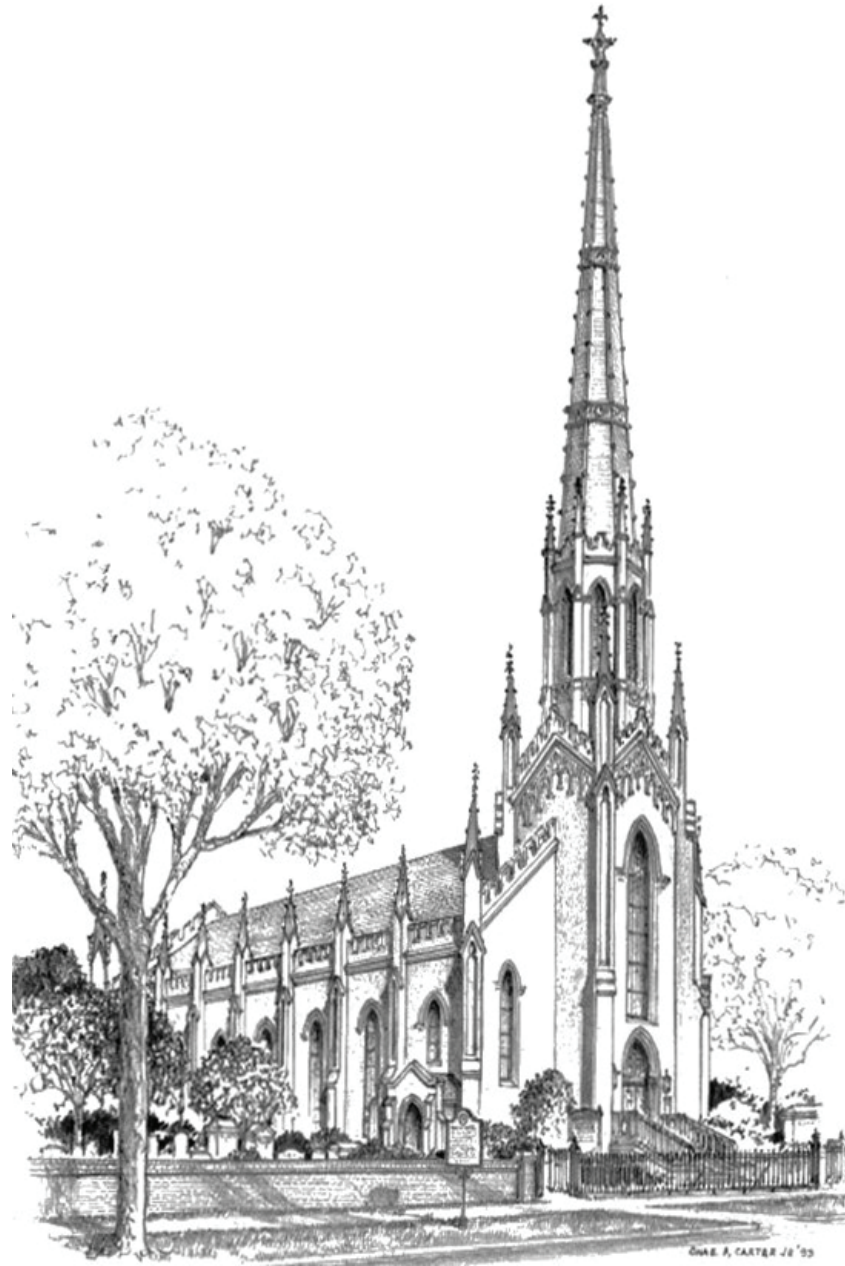
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so come, O King, and our whole being sway;
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and all our substance and our strength receive;
O comfort us in death's approaching hour,
strong-hearted then to face it by thy pow'r.

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make us to taste the sweet grace found in thee
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For who aught to my charge shall lay?
Fully absolved through these I am
From sin and fear, from guilt and shame.

When from the dust of death I rise
To claim my mansion in the skies,
Ev’n then this shall be all my plea,
Jesus hath lived, hath died, for me.

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For me a full atonement made,
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