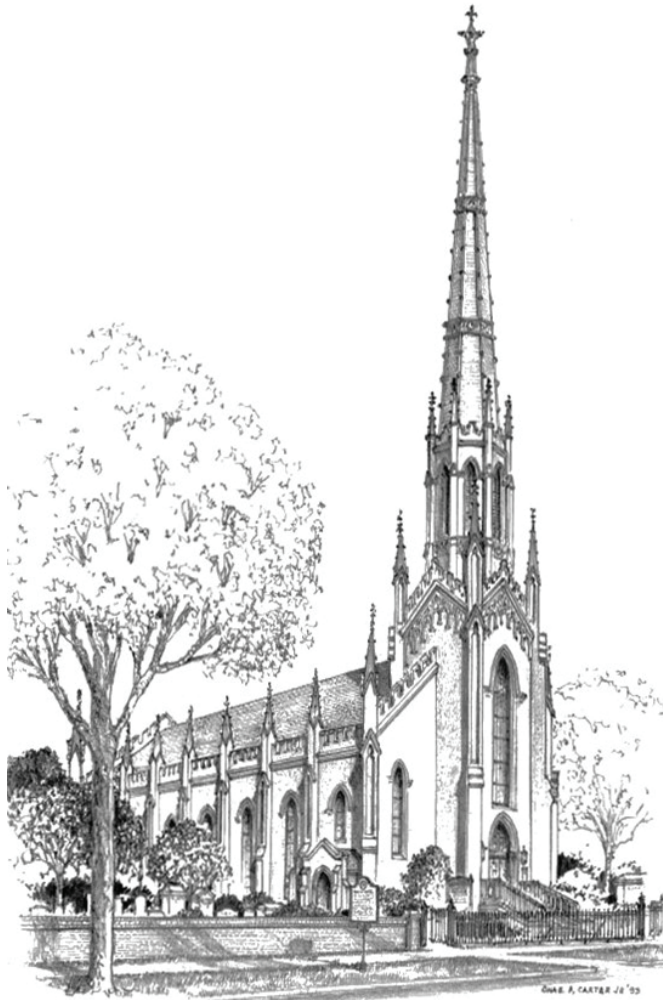


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Lord's Day, August 30, 2026

8:30 A.M. & 11:15 A.M.

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Rev. Sean Henderson (8:30 A.M.)
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INTROIT *Psalms 95*

IRISH

O come and to Jehovah sing;
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In joyful songs let us
The Rock of our salvation praise.

Before His presence let us come
With praise and thankful voice;
Let us sing psalms to Him with grace;
With shouts let us rejoice.

The Chancel Choir
Dr. Daniel Cole, director

CALL TO WORSHIP

+ **HYMN 172** *Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder*

ALL SAINTS OLD

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.

+ 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.

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LADY STREET

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CHILDREN'S SERMON 8:30 A.M.

CHILDREN'S HYMN 189 8:30 A.M. *Jesus Loves Me, This I Know*

JESUS LOVES ME

Jesus loves me, this I know,
For the Bible tells me so;
Little ones to Him belong,
They are weak but He is strong.

Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

Jesus loves me, He who died,
Heaven's gates to open wide;
He will wash away my sin,
Let His little child come in.

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Lord, You are gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. Others see glimpses of our hearts, but You see it all: You have set our iniquities before You, our secret sins in the light of Your presence. Do not enter into judgment with Your servants, for no one living is righteous before You. Yet we dare to ask for mercy—not because we deserve it, but because Jesus, Your Son, deserves it on our behalf. Take away all iniquity and receive us graciously; cleanse our hands, purify our hearts, and cover our transgressions. Let the words of our mouths and the meditation of our hearts be acceptable in Your sight. In Jesus' Name we pray. Amen.

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MORNING PRAYER

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LLANGLOFFAN

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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.

And I heard a great voice out of heav'n saying,
Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men,
And 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;
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Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Ephesians 3:14–21
(Please find the Scripture on page 10 of your bulletin.)

SERMON “Praying to the Three in One”

Dr. Neil C. Stewart

PRAYER FOR BLESSING ON THE WORD OF GOD

+ **HYMN 81** *O Love of God, How Strong and True*

JERUSALEM

Please find the music on pages 8 & 9 of your bulletin.

+ **BENEDICTION**

+ **CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** From *Psalm 139*

HIGHLAND CATHEDRAL

Search me, O God, search me and know my heart.
Try me, O God, my mind and spirit try.
Keep me from any path that gives Thee pain.
And lead me in the everlasting way.

POSTLUDE *Finale Jubilante*

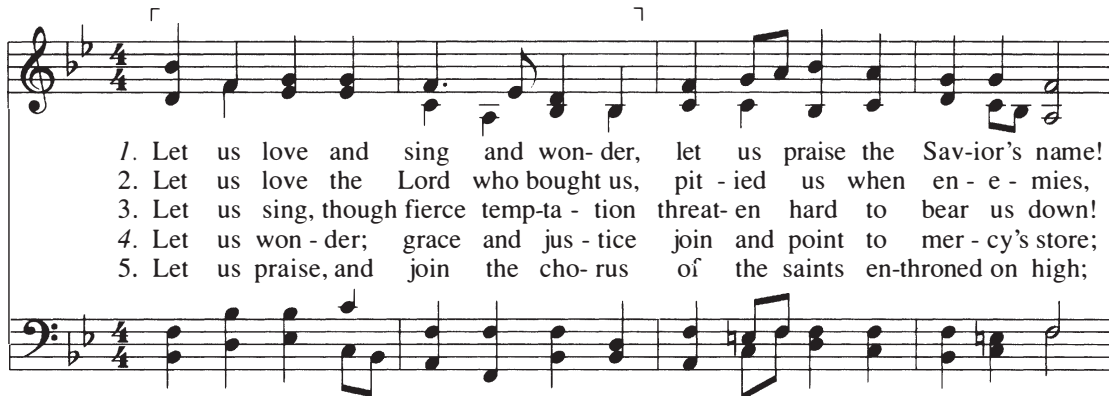
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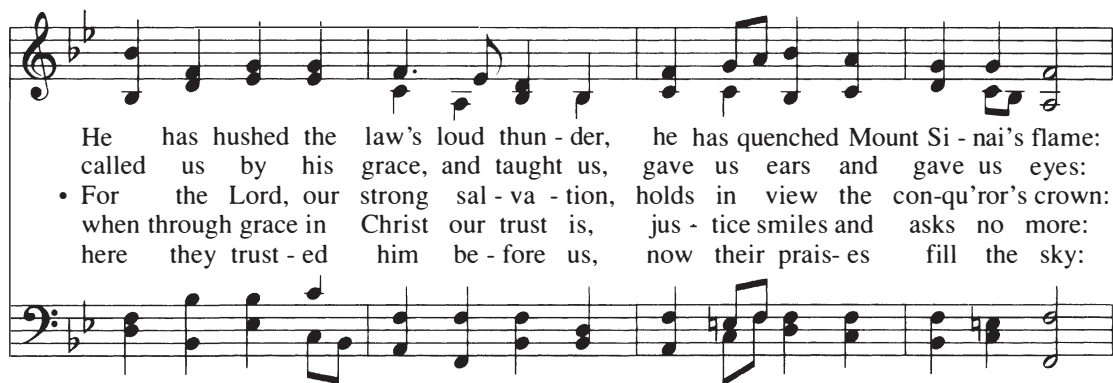
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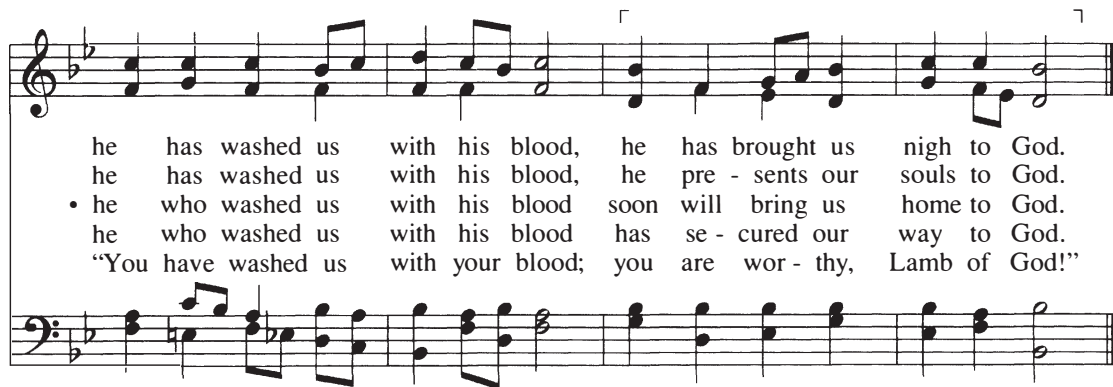
*To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood ... to him be glory
and power for ever and ever! Rev. 1:5, 6*



1. Let us love and sing and won-der, let us praise the Sav-ior's name!
 2. Let us love the Lord who bought us, pit-ied us when en-e-mies,
 3. Let us sing, though fierce temp-ta-tion threat-en hard to bear us down!
 4. Let us won-der; grace and jus-tice join and point to mer-cy's store;
 5. Let us praise, and join the cho-rus of the saints en-throned on high;



He has hushed the law's loud thun-der, he has quenched Mount Si-nai's flame:
 called us by his grace, and taught us, gave us ears and gave us eyes:
 • For the Lord, our strong sal-va-tion, holds in view the con-qu'ror's crown:
 when through grace in Christ our trust is, jus-tice smiles and asks no more:
 here they trust-ed him be-fore us, now their prais-es fill the sky:



he has washed us with his blood, he has brought us nigh to God.
 he has washed us with his blood, he pre-sents our souls to God.
 • he who washed us with his blood soon will bring us home to God.
 he who washed us with his blood has se-cured our way to God.
 "You have washed us with your blood; you are wor-thy, Lamb of God!"

Come unto Me, Ye Weary

Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.
 Matt. 11:28

1. "Come un - to me, ye wea - ry, and I will give you rest."
 2. "Come un - to me, dear chil - dren, and I will give you light."
 3. "Come un - to me, ye faint - ing, and I will give you life."
 4. "And who - so - ev - er com - eth I will not cast him out."

O bless - ed voice of Je - sus which comes to hearts op - pressed!
 O lov - ing voice of Je - sus which comes to cheer the night!
 O peace - ful voice of Je - sus which comes to end our strife!
 O pa - tient love of Je - sus which drives a - way our doubt;

It tells of ben - e - dic - tion, of par - don, grace, and peace,
 Our hearts were filled with sad - ness, and we had lost our way;
 The foe is stern and ea - ger, the fight is fierce and long;
 which calls us, ver - y sin - ners, un - wor - thy though we be

of joy that hath no end - ing, of love which can - not cease.
 but morn - ing brings us glad - ness, and songs the break of day.
 but thou hast made us might - y, and strong - er than the strong.
 of love so free and bound - less, to come, dear Lord, to thee!

O Love of God, How Strong and True

I pray that you ... may have power ... to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge. Eph. 3:17-19

Introduction Am⁷ A⁷ D Bm Am⁹ F⁹

Unison C F C F

1. O love of God, how strong and true, e - ter - nal
 2. O heav'n-ly love, how pre - cious still, in days of
 3. We read you best in him who came to bear for
 4. O love of God, our shield and stay through all the

C Am⁷ F C Am⁷

and yet ev - er new, un - com - pre - hend - ed and un -
 wea - ri - ness and ill, in nights of pain and help - less -
 us the cross of shame; sent by the Fa - ther from on
 per - ils of our way! E - ter - nal love, in you we

F#dim Em Am⁷ Em D C Dm A

bought, be - yond all knowl - edge and all thought! O love of
 ness, to heal, to com - fort, and to bless! O wide - em -
 high, our life to live, our death to die. We read your
 rest, for - ev - er safe, for - ev - er blest. We will ex -

Dm⁷ Gm Dm G F C
 God, how deep and great, far deep - er than man's deep - est
 brac - ing, won - drous love! We read you in the sky a -
 pow'r to bless and save, e'en in the dark - ness of the
 alt you, God and King, and we will ev - er praise your

F C Dm⁷ G⁷ C F
 hate; self - fed, self - kin - dled like the light, change-less, e -
 bove, we read you in the earth be - low, in seas that
 grave; still more in res - ur - rec - tion light we read the
 name; we will ex - tol you ev - 'ry day, and ev - er -

Interlude
 C F G C Am⁷ A⁷ D Bm Am⁹ F⁹
 ter - nal, in - fi - nite.
 swell, and streams that flow.
 ful - ness of your might.
 more your praise pro - claim.

Final ending
 C C⁷ Am F C
 (Musical notation for the final ending)

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SERMON NOTES

“Praying to the Three in One”
Ephesians 3:14–21 | Dr. Neil C. Stewart

JOIN US AT 6:00 P.M. FOR EVENING WORSHIP

Songs from the Far Country
“Wake Up, God”
Psalm 44 | Dr. Neil C. Stewart

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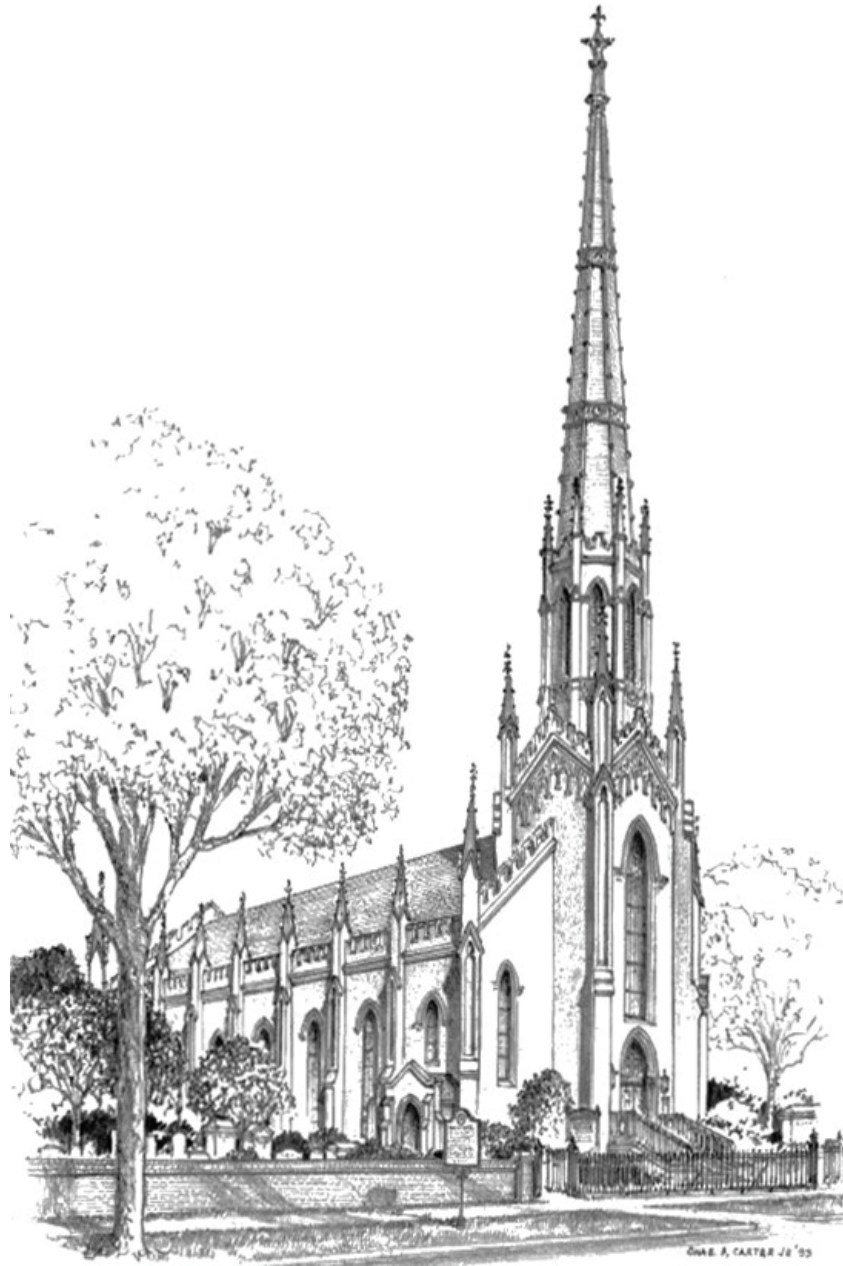
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Justice smiles, and asks no more:
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SERMON

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PRAYER FOR BLESSING ON THE WORD OF GOD

+ **HYMN 81** *O Love of God, How Strong and True*

JERUSALEM

O love of God, how strong and true!
Eternal and yet ever new,
Uncomprehended and unbought,
Beyond all knowledge and all thought!
O love of God, how deep and great,
Far deeper than man's deepest hate;
Self-fed, self-kindled like the light,
Changeless, eternal, infinite.

O heav'nly love, how precious still,
In days of weariness and ill,
In nights of pain and helplessness,
To heal, to comfort, and to bless!
O wide-embracing, wondrous love!
We read you in the sky above,
We read you in the earth below,
In seas that swell, and streams that flow.

We read you best in him who came
To bear for us the cross of shame;
Sent by the Father from on high,
Our life to live, our death to die.
We read your pow'r to bless and save,
E'en in the darkness of the grave;
Still more in resurrection light
We read the fulness of your might.

O love of God, our shield and stay
Through all the perils of our way!
Eternal love, in you we rest,
Forever safe, forever blest.
We will exalt you, God and King,
And we will ever praise your name;
We will extol you ev'ry day,
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