

Trinity Covenant Church

Livestream Lyrics – October 25, 2020

Call: A Mighty Fortress is Our God (based on Psalm 46; Luther, 1529; Bach 1628)

- 1 A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;
Our helper he, amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe;
His craft and power are great, and armed with cruel hate, on earth is not his equal.
- 2 Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing;
Were not the right man on our side, the man of God's own choosing.
Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is he,
Lord Sabaoth his name, from age to age the same, and he must win the battle.
- 3 And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us,
We will not fear, for God hath willed his truth to triumph through us.
The prince of darkness grim, we tremble not for him;
His rage we can endure, for lo, his doom is sure; one little word shall fell him.
- 4 That Word above all earthly pow'rs, no thanks to them, abideth;
the Spirit and the gifts are ours through him who with us sideth.
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also;
the body they may kill: God's truth abideth still; his kingdom is forever.

Confession: Before the Throne of God Above (Bancroft/Cook, 1863)

- 1 Before the throne of God above, I have a strong and perfect plea,
a great High Priest whose name is Love, who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on his hands, my name is written on his heart.
I know that while in heav'n he stands, no tongue can bid me thence depart,
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- 2 When Satan tempts me to despair and tells me of the guilt within,
upward I look and see him there, who made an end to all my sin.
Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free;
for God, the just, is satisfied to look on him and pardon me,
to look on him and pardon me.

- 3 Behold him there, the risen Lamb, my perfect, spotless righteousness,
the great unchangeable I AM, the King of glory and of grace!
One with himself I cannot die. My soul is purchased by his blood!
My life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ, my Savior and my God,
with Christ, my Savior and my God.
- 4 I bow before the cross of Christ and marvel at this love divine –
God's perfect Son was sacrificed to make me righteous in God's eyes.
This river's depths I cannot know, but I can glory in its flood;
The Lord Most High has bowed down low and poured on me His glorious love.
And poured on me His glorious love

Consecration: God, Be Merciful to Me (The Psalter, 1912)

- 1 God, be merciful to me, On thy grace I rest my plea;
Plenteous in compassion thou, Blot out my transgressions now;
Wash me, make me pure within, Cleanse, O cleanse me from my sin.
- 2 My transgressions I confess, Grief and guilt my soul oppress;
I have sinned against thy grace, And provoked thee to thy face;
I confess thy judgment just, Speechless, I thy mercy trust.
- 3 I am evil, born in sin; Thou desirest truth within.
Thou alone my Savior art, Teach thy wisdom to my heart;
Make me pure, thy grace bestow, Wash me whiter than the snow.
- 4 Broken, humbled to the dust, By thy wrath and judgment just,
Let my contrite heart rejoice, And in gladness hear thy voice;
From my sins O hide thy face, Blot them out in boundless grace.
- 5 Gracious God, my heart renew, Make my spirit right and true;
Cast me not away from thee, Let thy Spirit dwell in me;
Thy salvation's joy impart, Steadfast make my willing heart.

Creedal Confession: Nicene Creed (AD 325)

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.
And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God,
Begotten of the Father before all worlds,

God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,
Begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father;
By whom all things were made;
Who, for us men and for our salvation, came down from Heaven,
And was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man;
He was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried;
And the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures;
And ascended into Heaven, and sits at the right hand of the Father;
And He shall come again, with glory, to judge the living and the dead;
Whose kingdom shall have no end.
And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, and Giver of Life,
Who proceeds from the Father and the Son;
Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified;
Who spoke by the prophets.
And we believe in one holy, catholic, and apostolic Church;
We acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;
And we look for the resurrection of the dead,
And the life of the world to come. Amen.

Communion: We Have Been Called to the Feast (Searles, 2018)

- 1 We have been called to the feast,
 To come without money and eat.
 There's strength for the weary and hope for the poor
 Here at your table, O Lord.

Refrain: Blessed are all you have called to the table.
 The lost and least will taste and see
 You are faithful, forever faithful.

- 2 We're welcomed with arms open wide,
 You feed us with bread and with wine,
 Your mercy is seen and your promise is heard,
 Here at your table, O Lord. [Refrain]

- 3 The wolf will lie down with the lamb;
 Your glory will cover the land.
 We taste of your goodness, the riches in store
 Here at your table, O Lord. [Refrain]

Commission: Jesus Shall Reign (based on Psalm 72; Watts, 1719)

- 1 Jesus shall reign where'er the sun does his successive journeys run;
his kingdom stretch from shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.
- 2 To him shall endless prayer be made, and praises throng to crown his head;
his name, like sweet perfume, shall rise with ev'ry morning sacrifice.
- 3 People and realms of ev'ry tongue dwell on his love with sweetest song;
and infant voices shall proclaim their early blessings on his name.
- 4 Blessings abound where'er he reigns; the pris'ner leaps to lose his chains,
the weary find eternal rest, and all the sons of want are blest.
- 5 Let ev'ry creature rise and bring peculiar honors to our King;
angels descend with songs again, and earth repeat the loud amen!