

# Trinity Presbyterian Church

Love God. Love People. Love Fort Worth

#### Words for Reflection

I believe that every particle of dust that dances in the sunbeam does not move an atom more or less than God wishes—that every particle of spray that dashes against the steamboat has its orbit, as well as the sun in the heaven—that the chaff from the hand of the winnower is steered as the stars in their courses.

- Charles Spurgeon

There are only two ways to live your life. One is as though nothing is a miracle. The other is as though everything is a miracle.

- Albert Einstein

We do not come to true spirituality or the true Christian life merely by keeping a list, but neither do we come to it merely by rejecting the list and then shrugging our shoulders and living a looser life...True spirituality, the true Christian life, is not just outward, but it is inward.

- Francis Shaeffer

# Order of Worship

The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
— October 20, 2019 —

## The Call to Worship

God invites and calls us into His presence to worship Him. He enters into our busy lives to speak to us.

Praise the LORD!

For it is good to sing praises to our God;

for it is pleasant,

and a song of praise is fitting.

The LORD builds up Jerusalem;

he gathers the outcasts of Israel.

He heals the brokenhearted

and binds up their wounds.

He determines the number of the stars;

he gives to all of them their names.

Great is our Lord, and abundant in power;

his understanding is beyond measure.

# Hymn of Praise | Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

We sing praises to God and proclaim through song the good news of what He has done in Jesus' death and resurrection. Some songs might be initially unfamiliar, but we believe the rich, true, beautiful words of these hymns will make their way into your heart.

Come Thou Fount of every blessing Tune my heart to sing Thy grace; Streams of mercy, never ceasing, Call for songs of loudest praise Teach me some melodious sonnet, Sung by flaming tongues above. Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, Mount of God's unchanging love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer;
Hither by Thy help I'm come;
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure,
Safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
Wandering from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger,
Interposed His precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor Daily I'm constrained to be! Let that grace now like a fetter, Bind my wandering heart to Thee. Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love; Here's my heart, O take and seal it, Seal it for Thy courts above.

Words: Robert Robinson; Music: Folk Tune

# Opening Prayer & Lord's Prayer

We ask for God to be present among us and conclude with the prayer that Jesus taught his disciples to pray.

Our Father, Who 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, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

## Doxology

Doxology means "glory words." We lift our voices and our hands to give God glory for who He is and all that He has done.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

#### Confession of Sin

We fight the temptation to hide our sin and instead acknowledge it openly to God, but we do so in light of the grace offered in Jesus.

Have mercy on us, O God, according to Your steadfast love; according to Your abundant mercy, blot out our transgressions. Wash us thoroughly from our iniquity, and cleanse us from our sin! For we know our transgressions, and our sin is ever before us. Against You, You only, have we sinned and done what is evil in Your sight, so that You may be justified in Your words and blameless in Your judgment. Hide Your face from our sins, and blot out all our iniquities. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Through the shed blood of our Savior Jesus. Amen.

## Silent Confession

# Assurance of Forgiveness

God reminds our forgetful hearts of the grace that is ours in Jesus.

The LORD your God is in your midst, a mighty one who will save; he will rejoice over you with gladness; he will quiet you by his love; he will exult over you with loud singing.

—Zephaniah 3:17 ESV

# Hymn of Response | God Be Merciful to Me

We respond in thanks and praise for God's redemptive work in Christ.

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.

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.

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.

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. 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.

Sinners then shall learn from me, And return, O God, to Thee Savior all my guilt remove, And my tongue shall sing Thy love Touch my silent lips, O Lord, And my mouth shall praise accord.

Words: Scottish Psalter; Music: Christopher Miner

# Confession of Faith | The Heidelberg Catechism #1

We join the church in history by confessing this basic statement of what Christians believe.

Q. What is your only comfort in life and in death?

A. That I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

# The Offering

In gratitude, we offer our gifts to God.

Children are now dismissed for TrinityKids (4 years old -2nd Grade). After the sermon, their teachers will return them to worship where they may come directly to you, or you may meet them in the back of the sanctuary.

## The Prayers of the People

We lift up our requests to God knowing that He hears us when we pray.

#### Heather Walters

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# The Reading of the Word

Psalm 147

God speaks to us through His Word.

147:1 Praise the LORD! For it is good to sing praises to our God; for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is fitting. 2 The LORD builds up Jerusalem; he gathers the outcasts of Israel. 3 He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds. 4 He determines the number of the stars; he gives to all of them their names. 5 Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; his understanding is beyond measure.

6 The LORD lifts up the humble; he casts the wicked to the ground.
7 Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving; make melody to our God on the lyre! 8 He covers the heavens with clouds; he prepares rain for the earth; he makes grass grow on the hills. 9 He gives to the beasts their food, and to the young ravens that cry. 10 His delight is not in the strength of the horse, nor his pleasure in the legs of a man, 11 but the LORD takes pleasure in those who fear him, in those who hope in his steadfast love.
12 Praise the LORD, O Jerusalem! Praise your God, O Zion! 13 For he strengthens the bars of your gates; he blesses your children within you.

14 He makes peace in your borders; he fills you with the finest of the wheat. 15 He sends out his command to the earth; his word runs swiftly. 16 He gives snow like wool; he scatters frost like ashes. 17 He hurls down his crystals of ice like crumbs; who can stand before his cold? 18 He sends out his word, and melts them; he makes his wind blow and the waters flow. 19 He declares his word to Jacob, his statutes and rules to Israel. 20 He has not dealt thus with any other nation; they do not know his rules. Praise the LORD!

Reader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

# The Preaching of the Word

Reverend Bradford Green

"God of All, God of Each"

Sermon Notes

# The Celebration of Holy Communion

Communion (also called the Lord's Supper or the Eucharist) is the family meal of baptized Christians. It's not a meal for good people. It's a meal for desperate people who trust in Jesus alone for salvation, who are at peace with God and with their neighbor, and who seek strength and grace to live more faithfully with Jesus. You will be invited to come forward. If you are not a Christian, or if you are not prepared to share in this meal today, we encourage you to use the prayers printed below and spend this time in reflection or prayer.

Children who have not received their first communion are welcome to come forward with their families. We invite children who are ready to make a public profession of faith in Christ to arrange a meeting with the elders, and thus become "communicants" at the Lord's Table.

\*Note about communion wine: The red inner cups in each tray contain nonalcoholic grape juice. The clear outer cups and the common cup contain wine.

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts!

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

# Prayer of Thanksgiving and Words of Institution

Pastor: Let us proclaim the mystery of the faith:

People: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Hallelujah!

Pastor: Christ, our Passover, has been sacrificed for us.

Hallelujah!

People: Therefore, let us keep the feast.

Pastor: The gifts of God for the people of God.

# Prayers During Communion

#### A prayer for those searching for truth:

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth and the life. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Give me the ability to follow you no matter what it might cost me. Give me an understanding for you that is coherent, convincing, and leads to the life that you promise. Amen.

## A prayer of belief:

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever believed, but through you, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead and are now representing me at the Father's right hand in heaven, I turn from my sins and receive you as my savior. Amen.

## A prayer for those struggling against sin:

Lord Jesus, give me the ability to see in you the fulfillment of all my needs and desires, and help me to turn from every false source of satisfaction to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely to me, and run with perseverance the race that you have set before me, looking only to you, the author and perfecter of my faith. Amen.

# A prayer for covenant children who have not yet made a profession of faith:

Lord Jesus, thank you for giving me the opportunity to grow up in a Christian family where I am surrounded by the good news of the gospel. Help me to grow in my understanding of who you are and what you have done for me on the cross. Help me learn what it means for me to turn from my sins and trust in you alone for my salvation. Teach me what it means to follow you as one of your disciples. Amen.

# Hymns for Communion

#### Come to the Feast

Go to the highways and hedges, go to the farthest of fields
Go and compel the sick and the well
For our Father's house will be filled

Go to the streets of the city, bring in the crippled and blind All who would taste this banquet of grace Must come and waste no more time

Come to the feast, come to the table
The great and the least, the rich and the poor
Come to the feast, come to the table
Come and hunger no more

In the robe of the lamb you'll be covered
Dressed in his pure righteousness
For all of your guilt, his blood it was spilt
So come by your Father be blessed

(Chorus 2x)

Words and Music: Jeff Lawson

## Draw Nigh

Draw nigh and take the body of the Lord. And drink the holy blood for you outpoured. Offered was He for greatest and for least, Himself the Victim and Himself the Priest.

He that, His saints in this world rules and shields
To all believers life eternal yields,
With heavenly bread makes them that hunger whole,
Gives living waters to the thirsting soul.

Approach ye, then, with faithful hearts sincere
And take the pledges of salvation here.
O Judge of all, our only Savior Thou,
In this Thy feast of love be with us now.

Words: Latin Hymn, c. 680; Music: The Welcome Wagon

## Life at Trinity

# Departing Hymn | Lead on O King Eternal

We respond in faith and song.

\*Children are invited to come to the front to lead & sing. Parents are also welcome.

Lead on, O King eternal,
The day of march has come;
Henceforth in fields of conquest,
Thy tents shall be our home.
Through days of preparation,
Thy grace has made us strong;
And now, O King eternal,
We lift our battle song.

Lead on, O King eternal,
Till sin's fierce war shall cease,
And holiness shall whisper,
The sweet amen of peace.
For not with swords' loud clashing,
Nor roll of stirring drums;
With deeds of love and mercy,
The heavenly kingdom comes.

Lead on, O King; Lead on, O King; Lead on, O King, Lead on

Lead on, O King eternal,
We follow, not with fears,
For gladness breaks like morning,
Where'er Thy face appears.
Thy cross is lifted over us,
We journey in its light;
The crown awaits the conquest;
Lead on, O God of might.

Lead on, O King; Lead on, O King; Lead on, O King, Lead on

Words: Ernest Warburton Shurtleff, Jeff Pardo; Music: Jeff Pardo

## The Benediction

God sends us out with his blessing. A benediction is not a prayer. We don't bow our heads. We lift them up and even lift up our hands to receive his blessing as we are sent out as participants in His mission to Fort Worth.

The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

-Numbers 6:24-26 ESV

# The Sending

The people of God are sent into the world to love God, love people, and love Fort Worth.

Pastor: Let us go forth to serve Fort Worth and the world as those who love our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

People: Thanks be to God!

#### **Announcements**

#### **Bradford Green**

Today we welcome Bradford Green to the pulpit. Bradford is the new RUF campus minister at TCU. Originally from Murfreesboro, TN, he and his wife Cristina have spent the last six years planting and growing a new RUF work in Conway, AR (and having kids: Weldon [5], Rosie [3], Wilkes [6 months]). Cristina is a Houston native and graduated from TCU—where she was active in RUF—in 2008. The Greens met at a Young Life camp outside Creede, CO and graduated from RTS Charlotte in 2013 before receiving their call to RUF. They're excited to be in Fort Worth and are accepting any food, drink, or date recommendations for this town.

Bradford Green Installation Service

Bradford Green will be installed as the TCU RUF Campus Minister

TONIGHT at the TCU Chapel at 8pm. Everyone is welcome!

## Trinity College Student Dinner Today

There is a College Student Dinner after worship next Sunday, TODAY at the home of Lauren and Walt Jones (4300 Ranch View Rd)! These dinners are a great opportunity for some of our Trinity church family to open their homes to Trinity College Students and for others to help by attending and providing food. We still need hosts for our November and December dinners. Contact Meggie (mtschissler@gmail.com) to help and with questions.

## **Directory Pictures Nov 3**

<u>Please stop by the east courtyard before or after church Nov 3 to have your picture made for the directory.</u> This can be your first time or if you need to update your picture. Or, if you would like to, submit your own recent photograph (full family, if applicable) to Courtney (admin@trinitypresfw.org).

#### The Fort Chili Cook-off Fundraiser

The Fort is holding our 2nd annual chili cook-off! On Sunday, October 27 at 6pm teams of middle and high school students will bring their special recipe chili batch to the FWPC fellowship hall for the judges to taste and all to enjoy. This competition for the best chili in Fort Worth will raise funds to help cover the cost of our annual summer trips to Reformed Youth Ministries (RYM) conferences. Students and leaders of The Fort will be selling tickets leading up to the event for \$10 each. 1 ticket per person is required for entrance on Oct 27 (\$40 family ticket admits an entire immediate family of any size). Contact Parker (sparker.fleming@gmail.com) with questions!

#### Save the Dates

It's never too early to mark your calendars for upcoming events! We will have a Winter Conference Jan 31-Feb 2. Also, the Men's Retreat will be April 3-4 and the Women's Retreat will be April 17-19.

#### Five Six 10/27

All 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grade students are invited to join us for the Five Six <u>next</u> <u>Sunday for snacks, teaching, singing, and games immediately</u> <u>following worship until 630pm</u>. Questions? Contact Wade (<u>jewettwade@gmail.com</u>) or David (<u>david@davidwesterfield.net</u>).

## Membership Form

If you've completed the Trinity Membership Seminar and would like to join, <u>please be sure to complete the online form</u>. Contact Courtney (<u>admin@trinitypresfw.org</u>) for more information.

Jesus Storybook Bible Reading Plan

Over the fall semester, we will read the JSB together as a church using the reading plans available outside the sanctuary. We invite people of all ages to join us!

## Daily Bible Readings

Oct 21 - Oct 27 2019

Each week's readings are also online at: <a href="https://www.gnpcb.org/esv/mobile/devotions/bcp/">www.gnpcb.org/esv/mobile/devotions/bcp/</a> or <a href="https://www.esv.org/plans/bcp/">www.esv.org/plans/bcp/</a>

The season after Pentecost is called Ordinary Time and marks the longest portion of the year. This is a time for the church to consider how the gospel plays out in the ebb and flow of ordinary life.

Monday Pss 25; 9, 15 | Jer 44:1-14 | 1 Cor 15:30-41 | Matt 11:16-24

Tuesday Pss 26, 28; 36, 39 | Lam 1:1-12 | 1 Cor 15:41-50 | Matt 11:25-30

**Wednesday** Pss 38; 119:25-48 | Lam 2:8-15 | 1 Cor 15:51-58 | Matt 12:1-14

Thursday Pss 37:1-18; 37:19-42 | Ezra 1 | 1 Cor 16:1-9 | Matt 12:15-21

Friday Pss 31; 35 | Ezra 3 | 1 Cor 16:10-24 | Matt 12:22-32

Saturday Pss 30, 32; 42-43 | Ezra 4:7, 11-24 | Philemon 1 | Matt 12:33-42

Sunday Pss 63, 98; 103 | Haggai 1:1-2:9 | Acts 18:24-19:7 | Luke 10:25-37

## Week At-a-Glance

Wednesday Women's Evening Bible Study, 7-830pm @ 4241 Selkirk Youth: HS Large Group, 730-845pm @ FWPC

Thursday Morning Prayer, 645-715am @ Trinity Office

Friday Women's Morning Bible Study, 915-11am @ Connell Youth: HS Halloween Party @ Maxwells' House

Sunday Youth: HS/MS: Chili Cook-off, 6pm @ FWPC

#### Information

## To the Parents of Young Children

Welcome! We are so glad you are here. We believe the church is for all people, even children, and we want Trinity to be a church where children are both seen and heard. So don't worry if your children wiggle in the pews or make a little noise! We invite you to keep your children in our service and help them understand what is going on, sing the songs with you, and participate in worship. Children learn how to worship by imitating you. We say parts of our worship service every week in order to help our non-reading children to participate, and we have children's bulletins available in the back. There are also ages, stages, and times when it might not be best for your children to be in worship. We have a nursery program that is set up to handle children from birth to 4 years old, and a TrinityKids program during the sermon for children 4 years old through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade. All nursery volunteers have been through both background checks and Ministry Safe training. Parents often check their children out of the nursery and/or TrinityKids prior to Communion so that they can help lead us in our departing hymn.

## The Liturgy

Our order of worship may be new to you. Every worship service in every church has a structure. We want to be intentional about ours as it is a real back-and-forth conversation between us and God. He calls us to worship, and then we respond and move through the different elements of the service. We have both spontaneous, personal prayers as well as ancient, printed prayers. Please look over the service beforehand to see what we will hear and say along the way.

## 4pm

We plan on meeting at 4pm for the foreseeable future. We hope you will enjoy a Sunday morning to sleep in, spend time with your non-church going friends and neighbors or relax with your family and friends.

## Welcome Notepads

At some point during service, a welcome pad will be passed down your row. We would love for you to fill it out and pass it to the person on your right, so that we will have record of your visit. We promise we won't spam you.

## Youth Group @ FWPC

The youth group (grades 7-12) at our sending church meets on Sunday evenings at FWPC (6251 Oakmont Trail) at 530pm. All youth volunteers have been through both background checks and Ministry Safe training. If you're interested in joining the carpool of Trinity students attending, please contact Wade Jewett (jewettwade@gmail.com).

## Interested in Helping with Music?

We are always looking to add to our great team of musicians. If you're interested in learning more, please contact Wade Jewett (jewettwade@gmail.com).

# Online Giving

If you'd prefer to give online as either a one-time gift or as a recurring gift, you may do so through our website:

www.trinitypresfw.org/give. Giving is seen only by the Deacon & the team in charge of counting the offering for that particular day and by our Church Administrator.

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Deacon of the Day

Mark Evans

## Trinity Presbyterian Church

#### Our Mission

Trinity exists to embrace, embody, and extend the redemptive message of Jesus to the people and places of Fort Worth and beyond.

#### Our Core Commitments

Trinity is a gospel-centered church committed to following Jesus by...

- Worshipping God together through historic liturgy that is rich, accessible, and emotionally honest
- Striving to know and be known in our life together
- Engaging in formative spiritual practices
- Extending the welcome of the gospel in word and deed
- Serving our city

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