



**TRINITY**  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

# Trinity Presbyterian Church

Love God. Love People. Love Fort Worth

## Words for Reflection

Corporate worship is designed to present the gospel so hearts gripped with complaint become ignited by worshipful gratitude.

– Paul Tripp

The conditions were very different from most modern practices. Sheep were not fenced in and left to fend for themselves. Instead they were totally dependent on shepherds for protection, grazing, watering, shelter and tending to injuries. In fact, sheep would not survive long without a shepherd. Sheep are not only dependent creatures; they are also singularly unintelligent, prone to wandering and unable to find their way to sheepfold even when it is within sight.

– Tremper Longman

# Order of Worship

Christ the King Sunday

— November 24, 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.*

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!

**Serve the LORD with gladness!**

Come into his presence with singing!

**Know that the LORD, he is God!**

It is he who made us, and we are his;

**we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.**

Enter his gates with thanksgiving,

**and his courts with praise!**

Give thanks to him;

**bless his name!**

—Psalm 100:1-4 ESV

## Hymn of Praise | O Worship the King

*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.*

O worship the King all glorious above,

O gratefully sing his power and his love;

Our shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,

Pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.

O tell of his might, O sing of his grace,

Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space.

His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,

And dark is his path on the wings of the storm.

The earth with its store of wonders untold,  
Almighty, your pow'r hath founded of old;  
Hath 'stablished it fast by a changeless decree,  
And round it has cast, like a mantle, the sea.

Your bountiful care what tongue can recite?  
It breathes in the air; it shines in the light;  
It streams from the hills; it descends to the plain;  
And sweetly distils in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,  
In you do we trust, nor find you to fail;  
Your mercies how tender, how firm to the end,  
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

O measureless Might! Ineffable Love!  
While angels delight to hymn you above,  
The humbler creation, though feeble their lays,  
With true adoration shall lisp to thy praise.

Words: Based on Psalm 104; Robert Grant; Music: Johann Michael Haydn

## **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.*

**Most Merciful Father,**

We thank You that You have sent Your one and only Son to be our True Shepherd and King. We thank You that he has come to seek and save the lost, and that as our Good Shepherd, he lays down his life for the sheep. Yet, we confess our reluctance to bow before him and acknowledge his rule in our lives. In Your mercy, forgive us. Enable us by Your Spirit to joyfully follow him as our Shepherd and King. We pray in his name. Amen.

## Silent Confession

## Assurance of Forgiveness

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

The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly. I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

—John 10:10-11 ESV

## Hymn of Response | Before the Throne of God Above

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

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 Heaven He stands  
No tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair  
And tells me of the guilt within,  
Upward I look and see Him there  
Who made an end of 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.

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!

Words: Charitie Bancroft; Music: Vicki Cook

# 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.*

## The Reading of the Word

Ezekiel 34:1-6, 11-16, 23-24

God speaks to us through His Word.

**34:1** The word of the LORD came to me: **2** "Son of man, prophesy against the shepherds of Israel; prophesy, and say to them, even to the shepherds, Thus says the Lord GOD: Ah, shepherds of Israel who have been feeding yourselves! Should not shepherds feed the sheep? **3** You eat the fat, you clothe yourselves with the wool, you slaughter the fat ones, but you do not feed the sheep. **4** The weak you have not strengthened, the sick you have not healed, the injured you have not bound up, the strayed you have not brought back, the lost you have not sought, and with force and harshness you have ruled them. **5** So they were scattered, because there was no shepherd, and they became food for all the wild beasts. My sheep were scattered; **6** they wandered over all the mountains and on every high hill. My sheep were scattered over all the face of the earth, with none to search or seek for them.

**11** "For thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I, I myself will search for my sheep and will seek them out. **12** As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so will I seek out my sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. **13** And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land. And I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the ravines, and in all the inhabited places of the country. **14** I will feed them with good pasture, and on the mountain heights of Israel shall be their grazing land. There they shall lie down in good grazing land, and on rich pasture they shall feed on the mountains of Israel. **15** I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I myself will make them lie down, declares the Lord GOD. **16** I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice.

**23** And I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. **24** And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them. I am the LORD; I have spoken.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

## The Preaching of the Word

Pastor Brian Davis

### *Becoming a Story-Shaped People* “The True Shepherd-King”

#### Sermon Notes

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# 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 non-alcoholic 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

### Grace Alone

I was an orphan, lost at the fall;  
Running away when I'd hear you call,  
But Father, you worked your will.  
I had no righteousness of my own  
I had no right to draw near your throne,  
But Father, you loved me still.

And in love, before you laid the world's foundation,  
You predestined to adopt me as your own.  
You have raised me up so high above my station;  
I'm a child of God by grace, and grace alone

You left your home to seek out the lost;  
You knew the great and terrible cost  
But Jesus, your face was set.  
I worked my fingers down to the bone;  
But nothing I did could ever atone,  
But Jesus, you paid my debt.

By your blood I have redemption and salvation.  
Lord you died that I might reap what you have sown,  
And you rose that I might be a new creation.  
I am born again by grace, and grace alone.

I was in darkness all of my life,  
I never knew the day from the night,  
But Spirit, you made me see.  
I swore I knew the way on my own;  
Head full of rocks, a heart made of stone  
But Spirit, you moved in me.

And at your touch my sleeping spirit was awakened;  
On my darkened heart the light of Christ has shone.

Called into a kingdom that cannot shaken;  
Heaven's citizen by grace, and grace alone.

So I'll stand in faith by grace, and grace alone  
I will run the race by grace, and grace alone  
I will slay my sin by grace, and grace alone  
I will reach the end by grace, and grace alone

Words and Music by Dustin Kensrue

## Psalm 126

Our mouths they were filled, filled with laughter;  
Our tongues they were loosed, loosed with joy.

Restore us, O Lord! Restore us, O Lord!

*Although we are weeping,  
Lord, help us keep sowing  
The seeds of Your Kingdom  
for the day You will reap them!  
Your sheaves we will carry;  
Lord, please do not tarry!  
All those who sow weeping  
will go out with songs of joy!*

The nations will say, "He has done great things!"

The nations will sing songs of joy.

Restore us, O Lord! Restore us, O Lord!

(Chorus 2x)

Words & Music: Bifrost Arts

## Life at Trinity

### Departing Hymn | Hail to the Lord's Anointed

*We respond in faith and song.*

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

*Hail to the Lord's anointed, great David's greater Son!*

*Hail in the time appointed, His reign on earth begun!*

He comes to break oppression, to set the captive free,  
To take away transgression, and rule in equity.

(Chorus)

He comes with comfort speedy to those who suffer wrong,  
To help the poor and needy, and bid the weak be strong.

To give them songs for sighing, their darkness turn to light,  
Whose souls, condemned and dying, are precious in His sight.

(Chorus)

He shall come down like showers upon the fruitful earth,  
Love, joy, and hope, like flowers, spring in His path to birth.

The tide of time shall never His covenant remove.

His Name shall stand forever, That Name to us is Love.

(Chorus)

Words: James Montgomery; Music: Sandra McCracken

## 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.*

Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.

—Jude 24-25 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

### Advent and Christmas at Trinity

Save the dates for these upcoming seasonal events!

- Advent Begins 12/1
- Youth Group High School Christmas Party 12/6
- Trinity Children's Christmas Party 12/8
- Youth Group Middle School Christmas Party 12/8
- Trinity Christmas Party 12/12 (see insert)
- The Fort Middle School Ice Skating 12/15
- Christmas Tea and Open House 12/15
- Christmas Eve Service 12/24

### Middle School Youth Group Calendar Note

Please note that the paper calendars given out at the parent meeting earlier this semester had a couple of errors: 12/8 is the Christmas Party and 12/15 is the Ice Skating event from 1-3pm.

### Children's Christmas Party

For Second Sundays plan to join us immediately following worship until 7pm on Sunday, Dec 8 for our Children's Christmas Party! We'll have activities for children up through 4th grade and a pizza dinner for all.

**Everyone is invited to join us whether you have children or not!**

Suggested donation: \$5. Contact Jeanette ([children@trinitypresfw.org](mailto:children@trinitypresfw.org)) with questions.

### Christmas Tea and Open House

Ladies & girls of all ages and stages are invited to a Christmas tea Sunday, Dec 15 at the home of Mary Bates (3760 Country Club Circle) from 130-330pm.

## Trinity College Student Dinners

There is a College Student Dinner after worship Dec 15 at the home of Megan and Chris Granaghan (3733 Arborlawn)! 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. Contact Meggie ([mtschissler@gmail.com](mailto:mtschissler@gmail.com)) to help and with questions.

## Budget Update through October

Our fiscal year runs June – May. Here's where we are through Oct:

Total Income	Actual Expenses	Net Income
\$267,260.46	\$249,153.15	\$18,107.31

As a reminder, your faithful giving sustains not only our church but also supports other churches and ministries such as DASH Network. If you'd like a YTD statement, please contact Courtney ([admin@trinitypresfw.org](mailto:admin@trinitypresfw.org)).

## Five Six Today

All 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grade students are invited to join us for the Five Six on 2<sup>nd</sup> (coinciding with Second Sundays) & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays for snacks, teaching, singing, and games immediately following worship until 630pm.  
Questions? Contact Wade ([jewettwade@gmail.com](mailto:jewettwade@gmail.com)) or David ([david@davidwesterfield.net](mailto:david@davidwesterfield.net)).

## Daily Bible Readings

Nov 25 – Dec 1 2019

Each week's readings are also online at:

[www.gnpccb.org/esv/mobile/devotions/bcp/](http://www.gnpccb.org/esv/mobile/devotions/bcp/) or [www.esv.org/plans/bcp/](http://www.esv.org/plans/bcp/)

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 106:1-18; 106:19-48 | Joel 3:1-2; 9-17 | 1 Pet 1:1-12 | Matt 19:1-12

**Tuesday** Pss 120-123; 124-127 | Nahum 1:1-13 | 1 Pet 1:13-25 | Matt 19:13-22

**Wednesday** Pss 119:145-176; 128-130 | Obad 15-21 | 1 Pet 2:1-10 | Matt 19:23-30

**Thursday** Pss 131-133; 134-135 | Zeph 3:1-13 | 1 Pet 2:11-25 | Matt 20:1-16

**Friday** Pss 140, 142; 141, 143 | Isa 24:14-23 | 1 Pet 3:13-4:6 | Matt 20:17-28

**Saturday** Pss 137, 144; 104 | Micah 7:11-20 | 1 Pet 4:7-19 | Matt 20:29-34

**Sunday** Pss 146, 147; 111-113 | Amos 1:1-5, 13-2:8 | 1 Thess 5:1-11 | Luke 21:5-19

### Week At-a-Glance Nov 25 – Dec 1

**Sunday** YG: MS Small Group, 530-7pm @ 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](http://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

Matt McCarty

# 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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