



TRINITY

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Liturgy for Home Worship

The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

— June 20, 2021 —

Words for Reflection

Lament is anguish out loud.

-Jemar Tisby

As much as these psalms of lamentation may be of help in times of personal sorrow, we should not forget that as they now stand, they are the prayers of the community. We should continue to pray them even when we are not individually in any particular trouble, because we pray these psalms for the whole of God's people. In these prayers we seek to bear the sorrow of others. We help our brothers and sisters in Christ carry their burdens. This is what sympathy really is: to enter into the sorrow of another and to suffer with the other...So long as there is suffering in the world, the church must lament before God; the church must cry out in pain. We continue the ministry of reconciliation when we pray with one another for one another.

-Hughes Oliphant Old

Lament in the Bible is a liturgical response to the reality of suffering and engages God in the context of pain and trouble. The hope of lament is that God would respond to human suffering that is wholeheartedly communicated through lament.

- Soong-Chan Rah

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.

Come, everyone who thirsts,
come to the waters;
and he who has no money,
come, buy and eat!
Come, buy wine and milk
without money and without price.
Incline your ear, and come to me;
hear, that your soul may live;
and I will make with you an everlasting covenant,
my steadfast, sure love for David.
—Isaiah 55:1, 3 ESV

Hymn of Praise I Come Ye Sinners

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, ye sinners, poor and wretched,
Weak and wounded, sick and sore;
Jesus, ready, stands to save you,
Full of pity, joined with power.
He is able, He is able;
He is willing; doubt no more.

Come ye needy, come, and welcome,
God's free bounty glorify;
True belief and true repentance,
Every grace that brings you nigh.
Without money, without money
Come to Jesus Christ and buy.

Come, ye weary, heavy laden,
Bruised and broken by the fall;
If you tarry 'til you're better,
You will never come at all.

Not the righteous, not the righteous;
Sinners Jesus came to call.
Let not conscience make you linger,
Nor of fitness fondly dream;
All the fitness He requires
Is to feel your need of Him.
This He gives you, this He gives you,
'Tis the Spirit's rising beam.

Lo! The Incarnate God, ascended;
Pleads the merit of His blood.
Venture on Him; venture wholly,
Let no other trust intrude.
None but Jesus, none but Jesus
Can do helpless sinners good.

Words: Joseph Hart; Music: Matthew Smith

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

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 God,

We pray that You would hear our cry. Be merciful and forgive our many sins. Enter into the pain and sorrow of our broken lives. Send comfort to those who are grieving and feel that You are distant. Grant us compassion for those whose lives have been shattered by violence, injustice, and death. Protect us from cold indifference, and cause the hope of the gospel to be seen and known in Your people until You make all things new. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

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

The LORD is near to the brokenhearted and saves the crushed in spirit. He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed.

—Psalm 34:18 & 1 Peter 2:24 ESV

Hymn of Response | All I Have is Christ

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

I once was lost in darkest night
Yet thought I knew the way
The sin that promised joy and life
Had led me to the grave
I had no hope that You would own
A rebel to Your will
And if You had not loved me first
I would refuse You still

But as I ran my hell-bound race
Indifferent to the cost
You looked upon my helpless state
And led me to the cross
And I beheld God's love displayed
You suffered in my place
You bore the wrath reserved for me

Now all I know is grace

*Hallelujah! All I have is Christ
Hallelujah! Jesus is my life*

Now, Lord, I would be Yours alone
And live so all might see
The strength to follow Your commands
Could never come from me
Oh Father, use my ransomed life
In any way You choose
And let my song forever be
My only boast is You (*Chorus*)

Words & Music: Jordan Kauflin

Confession of Faith | The Apostles' Creed

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

I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended into hell.*
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic** church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,

**the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**While Jesus didn't literally descend to hell, he did endure the torment of hell on the cross and remained under the power of death until his resurrection.*

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The Offering

In gratitude, we offer our gifts to God. You may give online at www.trinitypresfw.org/give or through the Church Center App.

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

Psalm 13

God speaks to us through His Word.

13:1 How long, O LORD? Will you forget me forever? How long will you hide your face from me? **2** How long must I take counsel in my soul and have sorrow in my heart all the day? How long shall my enemy be exalted over me? **3** Consider and answer me, O LORD my God; light up my eyes, lest I sleep the sleep of death, **4** lest my enemy say, "I have prevailed over him," lest my foes rejoice because I am shaken. **5** But I have trusted in your steadfast love; my heart shall rejoice in your salvation. **6** I will sing to the LORD, because he has dealt bountifully with me.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Preaching of the Word

Rev. Keith Berger

*Praying the Psalms
"When God is Silent"*

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 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.

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.

Hymns for Communion

How Long?

How long? Will You turn Your face away?
How long? Do You hear us when we pray?
On and on, still we walk this pilgrim way -
How long?

How long 'til Your children find their rest?
How long 'til You draw them to Your breast?
We go on holding to Your promises - How
long?

*'Til You wipe away the tears from ev'ry eye
'Til we see our home descending from the
sky
Do we wait in vain? Jesus, give us hope
again!*

How long 'til Your word will still the storm?
How long 'til You bare Your mighty arm?
How we groan 'til You snatch us from the
thorns - How long?

(Chorus)

How long? Sweet the dawn that ends the
race.

How long? Weak our hearts but strong our
legs.

Looking on - great that cloud of witnesses!

How long?

(Chorus)

Words & Music: Isaac Wardell

The Church's One Foundation

The church's one foundation, Is Jesus Christ
her Lord,
She is His new creation, By water and the
Word.

From heaven He came and sought her, To
be His holy bride;
With His own blood He bought her, And for
her life He died.

Elect from every nation, Yet one over all the
earth;

Her charter of salvation, One Lord, one
faith, one birth;

One holy Name she blesses, Partakes one
holy food,

And to one hope she presses, With every
grace endued.

Mid toil and tribulation, And tumult of her
war,

She waits the consummation, Of peace
forevermore;

'Til, with the vision glorious, Her longing
eyes are blessed,

And the great church victorious, Shall be
the church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union, With God the
Three in One,

And mystic sweet communion, With those
whose rest is won.

O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace
that we

Like them, the meek and lowly, On high
may dwell with Thee.

Words: Samuel John Stone; Music: Brian Moss

Life at Trinity

Departing Hymn | All My Ways Are Known to You

We respond in faith and song.

In days of peace and days of rest
In times of loss and loneliness
Though rich or poor, Your word is true
That all my ways are known to You

No trial has come beyond Your hand
No step I walk beyond Your plan
The path is dark outside my view
Still all my ways are known to You

And oh what peace that I have found
Wherever I may be
For all my ways are known to You
Hallelujah, they are known to You!

I do not fear the final night
For death will be the door to life
You take my hand and lead me through
For all my ways are known to You

And oh what peace that I have found
Wherever I may be

For all my ways are known to You
Hallelujah, they are known to You!

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Wherever I may be
For all my ways are known to You
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Words & Music: Jonny Robinson, Rich Thompson,
Michael Farren, and Dustin Smith

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!

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Announcements

Serve Trinity

One of the best ways to get connected at Trinity is through serving! We're looking to grow some of our ministry teams and we'd love to get you involved in the life of Trinity through joining one of our teams. Look in Weds emails for the link to see which team interests you!

Youth Summer Events

Check out the church center app to see what events we have going on for our youth this summer.

Women's Summer Study

Ladies! Mark your calendars and invite your neighbors to join our summer study, "June with the Gentle Shepherd." Each Wednesday night in June, at 7pm, we will meet in houses to hear from one of our Trinity women about how Jesus has been a Good Shepherd to her. Addresses will be announced in our weekly emails and in church center app. Need a great book to read this summer? Order *Gentle & Lowly* by Dane Ortlund and read along with us!

