



TRINITY

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Liturgy for Home Worship

The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

— July 25, 2021 —

Words for Reflection

Worship is designed to remind you that in the center of all things is a glorious and gracious king, and this king is not you.

-Paul Tripp

To receive the Psalms as the prayer book of the church is to have found a buried treasure right in the middle of the Bible.

-James K. A. Smith

We know God will answer us when we call because one terrible day he did *not* answer Jesus when *he* called. . . . Jesus' prayers were given the rejection that we sinners merit so that our prayers could have the reception that he merits.

-Tim Keller

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.

Oh come, let us sing to the LORD;

let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;

let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

For the LORD is a great God,

and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are the depths of the earth;

the heights of the mountains are his also.

The sea is his, for he made it,

and his hands formed the dry land.

—Psalm 95:1-5 ESV

Hymn of Praise | Praise My Soul the King of Heaven

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.

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven,
To His feet Thy tribute bring;
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
Who, like me, His praise should sing?
Come and worship, come and worship
Praise the Everlasting King.

Praise Him for His grace and favor
To our fathers in distress;
Praise Him, still the same forever,
Slow to chide, and swift to bless;
Come and worship, come and worship
Glorious in His faithfulness.

Father-like, He tends and spares us;
Well our feeble frame He knows;
In His hands He gently bears us,
Rescues us from all our foes.
Come and worship, come and worship
Widely as His mercy goes.

Angels, help us to adore Him:
Ye behold Him face to face;
Sun and moon, bow down before Him,
Dwellers all in time and space,
Come and worship, come and worship
Praise with us the God of grace.

Words: Henry Lyte, 1843, Based on Ps 103; Nathan Partain, 2000, alt.
Music: Nathan Partain

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.

Our Father in Heaven,

You have made us for Yourself and have called us to find true life in knowing and loving You. Yet, Lord, we confess that we are prone to wander. We so often turn from You and look instead to people, possessions, and pleasures for real life. Forgive us for our sins against You and against one another. Convince us of Your love for us in Christ that we may walk in newness of life for Your glory and our good. 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 | By Thy Mercy

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

Jesus, Lord of life and glory,
Bend from heaven thy gracious ear;
While our waiting souls adore thee,
Friend of helpless sinners, hear:

From the depth of nature's blindness,
From the hardening power of sin,
From all malice and unkindness,
From the pride that lurks within,

*By thy mercy, O deliver us, good Lord
By thy mercy, O deliver us, good Lord,
good Lord.*

When temptation sorely presses,
In the day of Satan's power,
In our times of deep distresses,
In each dark and trying hour.

When the world around is smiling,
In the time of wealth and ease,
Earthly joys our hearts beguiling,
In the day of health and peace. *(Chorus)*

In the weary hours of sickness,
In the times of grief and pain,
When we feel our mortal weakness,
When all human help is vain.

In the solemn hour of dying,
In the awful judgment day,
May our souls, on thee relying,
Find thee still our Rock and Stay. *(Chorus)*

Words: James John Cummins; Music: Greg Thompson

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. 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 17

God speaks to us through His Word.

17:1 Hear a just cause, O LORD; attend to my cry! Give ear to my prayer from lips free of deceit! **2** From your presence let my vindication come! Let your eyes behold the right! **3** You have tried my heart, you have visited me by night, you have tested me, and you will find nothing; I have purposed that my mouth will not transgress. **4** With regard to the works of man, by the word of your lips I have avoided the ways of the violent. **5** My steps have held fast to your paths; my feet have not slipped. **6** I call upon you, for you will answer me, O God; incline your ear to me; hear my words. **7** Wondrously show your steadfast love, O Savior of those who seek refuge from their adversaries at your right hand. **8** Keep me as the apple of your eye; hide me in the shadow of your wings, **9** from the wicked who do me violence, my deadly enemies who surround me. **10** They close their hearts to pity; with their mouths they speak arrogantly. **11** They have now surrounded our steps; they set their eyes to cast us to the ground. **12** He is like a lion eager to tear, as a young lion lurking in ambush. **13** Arise, O LORD! Confront him, subdue him! Deliver my soul from the wicked by your sword, **14** from men by your hand, O LORD, from men of the world whose portion is in this life. You fill their womb with treasure; they are satisfied

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

Jesus, Cast a Look on Me

Jesus, cast a look on me,
Give me sweet simplicity
Make me poor and keep me low,
Seeking only Thee to know.

All that feeds my busy pride,
Cast it evermore aside
Bid my will to Thine submit,
Lay me humbly at Thy feet.

Make me like a little child,
Of my strength and wisdom spoiled
Seeing only in Thy light,
Walking only in Thy might.

Leaning on Thy loving breast,
Where a weary soul can rest
Feeling well the peace of God,
Flowing from His precious blood.

In this posture let me live,

And hosannas daily give
In this temper let me die,
And hosannas ever cry!

Words: John Berridge
Music: Matthew Perryman Jones

In Feast or Fallow

When the fields are dry, and the winter is long
Blessed are the meek, the hungry, the poor
When my soul is downcast, and my voice has no song
For mercy, for comfort, I wait on the Lord

*In the harvest feast or the fallow ground,
My certain hope is in Jesus found
My lot, my cup, my portion sure
Whatever comes, we shall endure
Whatever comes, we shall endure*

On a cross of wood, His blood was outpoured
He rose from the ground, like a bird to the sky

Bringing peace to our violence, and crushing death's door
Our Maker incarnate, our God Who provides.
(Chorus)

When the earth beneath me crumbles and quakes
Not a sparrow falls, nor a hair from my head
Without His hand to guide me, my shield and my strength
In joy or in sorrow, in life or in death
(Chorus)

Words & Music: Sandra McCracken

Life at Trinity

Departing Hymn | 'Tis so Sweet to Trust in Jesus

We respond in faith and song.

'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus,
Just to take Him at His word;
Just to rest upon His promise,
Just to know "Thus saith the Lord!"

*Refrain: Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him!
How I've proved Him o'er and o'er*

*Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus!
O for grace to trust Him more!*

O how sweet to trust in Jesus,
Just to trust His cleansing blood;
Just in simple faith to plunge me
'Neath the healing, cleansing flood!

(Refrain)

Yes 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus,
Just from sin and self to cease;
Just from Jesus simply taking
Life and rest, and joy and peace.

(Refrain)

I'm so glad I learned to trust Him,
Precious Jesus, Savior, friend;
And I know that He is with me,
Will be with me to the end.

(Refrain)

Words: Louisa M. R. Stead
Music: William James Kirkpatrick

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!

* CCLI #5043663 – all songs used by permission

Announcements

Congregational Meeting

We will have a congregational meeting after worship, Aug 15 to vote on our elder and deacon candidates. *In order to give you an opportunity to get to know them a bit better, we'll hold a Q&A at 3pm in the Chapel on Sunday, August 8. Please plan to attend!*

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!

Men's Summer Book Panel

Gentlemen, are you feeling stressed, stretched, and discouraged? We invite you to join other Trinity Men this summer as we read "Recapturing the Wonder" together over the summer. Read at your own pace, then join us in August for a panel discussion on book. Date to be announced and find more details on the church center app.

Youth Summer Events:

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

