



TRINITY
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Trinity Presbyterian Church

Love God. Love People. Love Fort Worth.

Words for Reflection

To be sure, the one who prays his Psalms remains himself. But in him and through him it is Christ who prays.

- Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Jesus used the book of The Psalms as his prayerbook!

- Hughes Oliphant Old

To pray with Jesus in the psalms is to pray with the one who *embodies* our prayers. With Jesus, we, too, feel forsaken. With Jesus, we too, feel God's protection against enemies. With Jesus, we, too, feel the grief of loss and the pain of suffering. With Jesus, we, too, feel the life of God's Spirit making us new again and feel our beloved nature as a son or daughter of God. And with Jesus, we, too, find ourselves singing the praises of God with grateful hearts in the middle of the community, free to be vulnerable and fully alive.

- David Taylor

God stands by you in the fight, shades you from the heat, and never deserts you. So endure, stand fast. Hope here, that you may rejoice there; hunger and thirst here, that there you may eat at his table.

- St. Augustine

Order of Worship

The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

— July 2, 2023 —

The LORD Calls Us

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

The Call to Worship

O God, you are my God; earnestly I seek you;
my soul thirsts for you; my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and
weary land where there is no water.

So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary,
beholding your power and glory.

Because your steadfast love is better than life,
my lips will praise you.

So I will bless you as long as I live;
in your name I will lift up my hands.

—Psalm 63:1-4 ESV

Hymn of Praise | Jesus Lives, and So Shall I

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.

Jesus lives, and so shall I.
Death, thy sting is gone forever!
He who bowed His head to die,
Lives the bands of death to sever.
He shall raise me from the dust;
Jesus is my Hope and Trust.
Jesus is my Hope and Trust.

Jesus lives, though once He died.
In the ground He was forsaken.
Yet, the stone was rolled aside!
How the gates of hell were shaken!
Death obeys Him, yes it must;
Jesus is my Hope and Trust.
Jesus is my Hope and Trust.

Jesus lives, and reigns supreme,
And His kingdom still remaining,
I shall also be with Him,
Ever living, ever reigning.
God has promised. He is just;
Jesus is my Hope and Trust.
Jesus is my Hope and Trust.

Jesus lives, I know full well.
Naught from Him my heart can sever,
Life, nor death, nor pow'rs of hell,
Joy, nor grief, henceforth forever.
None of all His saints is lost;
Jesus is my Hope and Trust.
Jesus is my Hope and Trust.

Jesus lives, and death is now
But my entrance into glory.
Courage, then, my soul, for thou
Hast a crown of life before thee;
You shall find your hopes were just:
Jesus is my hope and trust!
Jesus is my hope and trust!

Words: Christian Gellert; tr. John Lang; Erik Dewar; Music: Erik Dewar

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.

The LORD Cleanses Us

God cleanses and restores us through Jesus' death and resurrection. We fight the temptation to hide our sin and instead acknowledge it openly to God, but we do so in light of the grace that is ours in Jesus.

Confession of Sin

Our Father in Heaven,

We thank You for the immense mercy You have shown us in and through Your Son. We thank You for his righteous suffering and death on our behalf. Yet, Lord, we confess the ways that we doubt the sufficiency of his death for us. We acknowledge our struggle to believe that we are freely justified by faith and not by works. Have mercy on us and enable us by Your Spirit to know and believe the love that You have for us. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him.

—Colossians 1:21-22 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 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 LORD Converses with Us

God speaks to us by His Word, and we respond with prayer, gratitude, and offerings.

The Gospel Lesson

John 1:1-4, 14-18

God speaks to us by His Word.

1:1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. **2** He was in the beginning with God. **3** All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made. **4** In him was life, and the life was the light of men.

14 And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth. **15** (John bore witness about him, and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks before me, because he was before me.'") **16** For from his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. **17** For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. **18** No one has ever seen God; the only God, who is at the Father's side, he has made him known.

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, O Christ.

The Offering

In gratitude, we offer our gifts to God.

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 26

God speaks to us by His Word.

26:1 Vindicate me, O LORD, for I have walked in my integrity, and I have trusted in the LORD without wavering. **2** Prove me, O LORD, and try me; test my heart and my mind. **3** For your steadfast love is before my eyes, and I walk in your faithfulness. **4** I do not sit with men of falsehood, nor do I consort with hypocrites. **5** I hate the assembly of evildoers, and I will not sit with the wicked. **6** I wash my hands in innocence and go around your altar, O LORD, **7** proclaiming thanksgiving aloud, and telling all your wondrous deeds. **8** O LORD, I love the habitation of your house and the place where your glory dwells. **9** Do not sweep my soul away with sinners, nor my life with bloodthirsty men, **10** in whose hands are evil devices, and whose right hands are full of bribes. **11** But as for me, I shall walk in my integrity; redeem me, and be gracious to me. **12** My foot stands on level ground; in the great assembly I will bless the LORD.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Preaching of the Word

Pastor Brian Davis

Praying the Psalms
"Praying for Vindication"

The LORD Communes With Us

God invites us to feast with Him at His Table.

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: We serve wine during communion. If you'd prefer non-alcoholic grape juice, please indicate by pointing at the tray.*

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

Jesus, With Thy Church Abide

Jesus, with Thy church abide;
Be her Savior, Lord, and Guide,
While on earth her faith is tried:
We beseech Thee, hear us,
We beseech Thee, hear us.

Keep her life and doctrine pure;
Grant her patience to endure,
Trusting in Thy promise sure:
We beseech Thee, hear us,
We beseech Thee, hear us.

May she one in doctrine be,
One in truth and charity,
Winning all to faith in Thee:
We beseech Thee, hear us,
We beseech Thee, hear us.

May she guide the poor and blind,
Seek the lost until she find
And the brokenhearted bind:
We beseech Thee, hear us,
We beseech Thee, hear us.

Words: Thomas Benson Pollock; Music: Christopher Miner

Help My Unbelief

I know the Lord is nigh,
And would but cannot pray,
For Satan meets me when I try,
And frights my soul away;
And frights my soul away.

I would but can't repent,
Though I endeavor oft;
This stony heart can ne'er relent
Till Jesus makes it soft;
Till Jesus makes it soft.

*Help my unbelief. Help my unbelief.
Help my unbelief.
My help must come from Thee.*

I would but cannot love,
Though wooed by love divine;
No arguments have power to move
A soul as base as mine;
A soul so base as mine.

I would but cannot rest,
In God's most holy will;
I know what He appoints is best,
And murmur at it still;
I murmur at it still.

(Chorus 2x)

Words: John Newton; Music: Clint Wells

The LORD Commissions Us

God blesses us and sends us out to be a part of His mission to Fort Worth & the world.

Departing Hymn | All My Ways Are Known to You

We respond in faith and song.

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

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!*

*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!
Hallelujah, they are known to You!
Hallelujah, they are known to You!*

Words & Music: Jonny Robinson, Rich Thompson, Michael Farren, 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!

Announcements

Membership Seminar

If you are interested in becoming a member at Trinity or just want to learn more about who we are as a church, please attend our membership seminar. **We will meet at the home of Jeanette and Pastor Brian (1500 College Ave, 76104) with light refreshments and coffee on Saturday, July 15 from 9am-1230pm.** Registration is in the Church Center app or email Courtney (admin@trinitypresfw.org).

Summer Mom Meet-ups

Moms, join us for come and go play dates this Summer! See the Church Center app for details or reach out to Eryn (817) 944-6105.

Youth Summer Bible Study

Our summer study is open to all youth students (rising 7th graders through graduated seniors of 2023). We'll have snacks, play games together, and study Philippians on **various Tuesday nights throughout the summer at the home of Kathryn and Gaston Davis (2220 Thomas Place).** The next study is July 18. Details can be found in the Church Center app or contact John (john@trinitypresfw.org) or Emily (emily@trinitypresfw.org).

Young Adult Dinners

Trinity Young Adults is a group for post-undergrad, in grad school, career, single, or young marrieds. **Come join us after church on the 1st and 3rd Sundays after worship. We will break for the month of July.** Details about dinners and other events are in the Church Center app or contact Rachel (rachelkuchem@gmail.com) or Jeff (jeffrey.bryant14@gmail.com).

Capital Campaign

We are so thankful that we have reached our fundraising goal that allows us to complete the project and occupy the entire facility!

However, there will be on-going capital needs once we move in, such as a parking facility. If you would like to extend your pledge to a 4th year, would like to give any additional amount, or want to give toward the capital campaign for the first time, please email Courtney (admin@trinitypresfw.org). If you have any questions about the Capital Campaign, feel free to reach out to Lee (leetyner2@gmail.com). Below are the recent fundraising numbers.

Needed	Committed	Remaining Need
\$700,000	\$724,246	\$0

Total Campaign Support: \$6,397,949

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 2nd grade. We also have a nursing mothers' room available across from the library if you need to nurse or change a diaper! 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.

Our New Building

We are so excited and grateful for our new building at 207 W. Broadway in the Near Southside! We are in process of renovating and hope to move in during 2023. We will continue to worship at 4pm at Connell until then. Please continue to pray for all of the work being done! Check Church Center for periodic updates and photos.

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.

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.

Community Groups

Our Community Groups are essential to our life at Trinity. Jesus never intended for the Christian life to be lived alone. Community Groups meet weekly in homes throughout the city on various nights. If you'd like more information or you'd like to visit a group, please contact Andy (andy@trinitypresfw.org).

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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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