

# Trinity Presbyterian Church

Love God. Love People. Love Fort Worth.

### Words for Reflection

What comes into our minds when we think about God is the most important thing about us.

- A. W. Tozer

The Christian life, from one angle, is the long journey of letting our natural assumption about who God is, over many decades, fall away, being slowly replaced with God's own insistence on who he is. This is hard work. It takes a lot of sermons and a lot of suffering to believe that God's deepest heart is "merciful and gracious, slow to anger."

- Dane Ortlund

We may look into God's fatherly heart and sense how boundlessly he loves us. That would warm our hearts completely, setting them aglow.

- Martin Luther

# Order of Worship

The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
— August 6, 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

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, the 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

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

#### Most Merciful God,

We thank You for the gracious welcome You have extended to us in and through Your Son. We praise You that he gives living water that satisfies our deepest longings. Yet, Lord, we confess how often we look elsewhere to be satisfied. We acknowledge our temptation to forsake the fountain of living waters and to go instead to broken cisterns that can hold no water. We pray that You would have compassion on us through Christ's death and resurrection, and that by Your Spirit, we would experience the joy and peace of the Gospel. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

#### Silent Confession

# Assurance of Forgiveness

Seek the LORD while he may be found; call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the LORD, that he may have compassion on him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

—Isaiah 55:6-7 ESV

# Hymn of Response | | Shall Not Want

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

From the love of my own comfort From the fear of having nothing From a life of worldly passions Deliver me, O God

From the need to be understood From the need to be accepted From the fear of being lonely Deliver me, O God Deliver me, O God

And I shall not want, I shall not want When I taste Your goodness, I shall not want When I taste Your goodness, I shall not want

From the fear of serving others From the fear of death or trial From the fear of humility Deliver me, O God Deliver me, O God

And I shall not want, I shall not want When I taste Your goodness, I shall not want When I taste Your goodness, I shall not want (repeat)

Words & Music: Audrey Assad

# 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 4:1-15

God speaks to us by His Word.

**4:1** Now when Jesus learned that the Pharisees had heard that Jesus was making and baptizing more disciples than John **2** (although Jesus himself did not baptize, but only his disciples), **3** he left Judea and departed again for Galilee. **4** And he had to pass through Samaria. **5** So he came to a town of Samaria called Sychar, near the field that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. **6** Jacob's well was there; so Jesus, wearied as he was from his journey, was sitting beside the well. It was about the sixth hour.

7 A woman from Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." 8 (For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.) 9 The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a

Jew, ask for a drink from me, a woman of Samaria?" (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.) 10 Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." 11 The woman said to him, "Sir, you have nothing to draw water with, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? 12 Are you greater than our father Jacob? He gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did his sons and his livestock." 13 Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, 14 but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty again. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." 15 The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I will not be thirsty or have to come here to draw water."

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

God speaks to us by His Word.

55:1 "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. 2 Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. 3 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. 4 Behold, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. 5 Behold, you shall call a nation that you do not know, and a nation that did not know you shall run to you, because of the LORD your God, and of the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you. 6 "Seek the LORD while he may be found; call upon him while he is near; 7 let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the LORD, that he may have compassion on him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. 8 For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, declares the LORD. 9 For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts. 10 "For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven and do not return there but water the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, 11 so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it. 12 "For you shall go out in joy and be led forth in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall break forth into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. 13 Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress; instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle; and it shall make a name for the LORD, an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off."

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

# The Preaching of the Word

Rev. Justin Smith

### The Free Offer

Sermon Notes

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### 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

#### Abide With Me

Abide with me; fast falls the eventide; The darkness deepens; Lord with me abide. When other helpers, fail and comforts flee, Help of the helpless, abide with me.

Thou on my head, in early youth didst smile; And, though rebellious, and perverse meanwhile, Thou hast not left me, though I oft left Thee, On to the close Lord, abide with me.

I need Thy presence, every passing hour.
What but Thy grace, can foil the tempter's power?
Who, like Thyself, my guide and stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, abide with me.

I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless
Ills have no weight, tears lose their bitterness
Where is thy sting death? Where grave thy victory?
I triumph still, abide with me.

Hold Thou Thy cross, before my closing eyes;
Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies.
Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;
In life, in death, Lord, abide with me.

Words: Henry Lyte & Justin Smith; Music: Jeff Bourque

#### Psalm 46

God is our refuge, our strength and our shield;
An ever present help
We will not fear, though the earth give way,
And the mountains crash into the sea

There is a river whose streams will make glad; the city of our Most High King God is within her and she will not fail; He helps her at break of the day

Nations in uproar, men's kingdoms they fall.

He speaks and the Earth melts away.

The worst we imagine, the strongest of storms,

Our fortress, it will remain.

There is a river whose streams will make glad; the city of our Most High King God is within her and she will not fail; Listen to hear the Lord say:

Be still and know that I am God Come, let us see what the Lord has done, the ruins He brings to the Earth. He makes wars to cease at the end of the Earth He shatters the bow and the spear.

There is a river whose streams will make glad; the city of our Most High King God is within her and she will not fail; Listen to hear the Lord say: Be still and know that I am God Be still and know that I am God Be still and know that I am God Be still and know that I am God

Words & Music: Mike Crawford (alt. by Isaac Wardell)

Life at Trinity

# 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 | Satisfied

We respond in faith and song.

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

All my life long I had panted for a drink from some cool spring That I hoped would quench the burning of the thirst I felt within

Feeding on the filth around me, 'til my strength was almost gone Longed my soul for something better, only still to hunger on

Hallelujah! He has found me, the One my soul so long has craved! Jesus satisfies all my longings, through his blood I now am saved

Poor I was and sought for riches, something that would satisfy But the dust I gathered 'round me only mocked my soul's sad cry

Hallelujah! He has found me, the One my soul so long has craved! Jesus satisfies all my longings, through his blood I now am saved

Well of water ever springing, Bread of Life so rich and free Untold wealth that never faileth, my Redeemer is to me

Hallelujah! He has found me, the One my soul so long has craved! Jesus satisfies all my longings, through his blood I now am saved

Words: Clara T. Williams, 1875; Music: Karl Digerness, 1997

#### 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**

#### Justin Smith

Justin Smith is a native Texan originally from Arlington. He initially got involved with RUF as an undergrad at Belmont University from which he graduated in 2007. Justin met his wife Kathryn (a Vanderbilt grad and RUF intern) at RUF's summer conference in 2010. A year later they were married and moved to Atlanta where Justin completed seminary at RTS Atlanta. Justin started with RUF at UNT in 2017, and coming from an extensive musical background UNT has been a great fit. Justin and Kathryn both love RUF and are excited about serving the students at UNT. They also enjoy music, cooking new foods, day hikes, welcoming folks in their home, and the Texas Rangers. They have three children, Vivian Elaine, Nathaniel Jude, and Eleanor Ruth.

# Hospitality Training

We will have an informational session and hospitality training for our life in the new building! We will need all hands on deck for this exciting transition, so please save the morning of August 19 in your calendar.

### Kolaches for Kindergarten

Bring your rising kindergartener to celebrate with balloons and breakfast at **Tillery park on August 8 at 9am**. Siblings are welcome! Questions? Call Eryn (817.944.6105).

# Help Needed – Rivertree Back-to-School Event

Rivertree's back-to-school event is August 10 from 5-7pm. We need volunteers to help serve food to children and parents and play with the children while the parents are receiving information about the school year. The event will take place at 5601 Fletcher Avenue. Please contact Elaine Lambert (lambertelaine1234@ gmail.com) or 817.914.1882 to sign up as a volunteer.

### 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 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays after worship. Save the date for our fall kick-off cookout on August 11. Details about dinners and other events are in the Church Center app or contact Rachel (<u>rachelkuchem@gmail.com</u>) 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). Total campaign support: \$6,397,949.

# Community Group Sign-ups

It is time for community groups to resume! Please fill out our form if you are staying in your current group, looking to switch, would like to get into a group for the first time, or if you are interested in the Newcomers' Group that is a 4-week intro to Life at Trinity. This QR code will take you to the form.



## 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: <a href="https://www.trinitypresfw.org/give">www.trinitypresfw.org/give</a>. 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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