

## WELCOME

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Welcome in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. If you are new to Trinity Presbyterian Church, you are our very special guest! Our desire is to help you get connected in a warm and genuine way. Would you consider sharing your name and address with us in the Friendship Pad located on the left end of the row you are sitting on now? We welcome you this morning in the strong name of our Lord Jesus Christ and would love to see you again next week!

## WHO WE ARE

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Our mission statement is this: *Trinity Presbyterian Church is a worshipping community that exists to proclaim the Gospel of the Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ in word and deed to our suburban communities and the world.* We are guided by three core values: the power of the gospel of Jesus Christ to change lives, a commitment to the gospel-created community called the church, and a mission to see God's Kingdom extended to our world.

## PLEASE VISIT THE "INFORMATION CENTER"

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For information or answers to questions that you might have about TPC, please visit our Information Center which you will find in the Narthex. There you will find information about Trinity, the PCA and our church activities. Someone will be available to assist you before and after the worship service.

## ADULT BIBLE FELLOWSHIP HOUR 9:00 A.M.

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The Book of Zechariah	Room 130	Steve LeBlanc
College/Career : John's Gospel	Room 230	Eubanks and Kirkpatrick

## WEEKLY MINISTRY SCHEDULE

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DATE	EVENT	TIME/PLACE	ROOM
Sunday	Sunday School	9:00 a.m.	Various
	Worship	10:30 a.m.	Sanctuary
Monday	ESL Classes	7:00—8:30 p.m.	Various
Tuesday	WIC Bible Study	9:30—11:30 a.m.	Choir Room
		6:30—8:30 p.m.	Linda Ackerman Home
Wednesday	Joyful Noises Choir	5:30—6:30 p.m.	Choir Room
	EK/Primetime	6:30—8:00 p.m.	Various Rooms
	FPU	6:30—8:30 p.m.	Room 134
	Peacemaking Church	6:30—8:00 p.m.	TBD
Thursday	Adult Choir Practice	7:30—9:00 p.m.	Choir Room
	WIC Bible Study	7:00—9:00 p.m.	Tina Thiel Home
	ESL Classes	7:00—8:30 p.m.	Various

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TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

January 8, 2012 • 10:30 AM

**Thoughts for Worship Preparation**

*Our Lord Jesus received and embraced gently the children who were presented to Him... If it is a reasonable thing to do to bring children to Jesus Christ, why is it not lawful to receive them in baptism, which is the external sign by which Jesus Christ makes known to us the communion which we have in him? If the kingdom of heaven belongs to them, why deny them the sign by which we are given practically an entrance into the church, to declare that we are heirs of the kingdom of God?*

John Calvin

*The promises of God are never spoken to the individual alone, but to all at one time. Baptism, on the contrary, is something that God does to the individual.*

Ole Hallesby

*The efficacy of baptism is not tied to that moment of time wherein it is administered...*

The Westminster Confession of Faith

*Of the essence of the Reformed understanding of baptism is the belief that it is a prophetic sign. It is a sign under which the whole of life is to be lived. Our baptism is always with us, constantly unfolding through the whole of life.*

Hughes Oliphant Old

**The Prelude**

“The Solid Rock”

Arr. Edward Broughton

**Pastoral Welcome**

The Rev. John McCracken

**\*Call to Worship**

from Psalm 99

**Minister:** The Lord reigns; let the peoples tremble! The Lord is great in Zion; he is exalted over all the peoples.

**People:** Let them praise your great and awesome name! Holy is he!

**Minister:** Exalt the Lord our God; worship at his footstool! Holy is he!

**People:** Exalt the Lord our God, and worship at his holy mountain; for the Lord our God is holy!

**\*Prayer of Adoration**

*Thank you for  
disabling your cell  
phones as you  
prepare for worship.*

Public Confession of Sin

Mr. Chuck Rehlin, *Ruling Elder*

Forgive us our sins, O Lord. Forgive us the sins of our youth and the sins of our age, the sins of our soul, and the sins of our body, our secret and our whispering sins, our presumptuous and our careless sins, the sins we have done to please ourselves, and the sins we have done to please others. Forgive us the sins that we know, and the sins that we know not; forgive them, O Lord, forgive them all because of your great goodness and grace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Silent Confession

Declaration of Forgiveness

Elder: *Hear these words of mercy's assurance to those who sincerely repent and trust in Christ.*

I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleanness, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit within you and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules. Ezekiel 36: 25-27

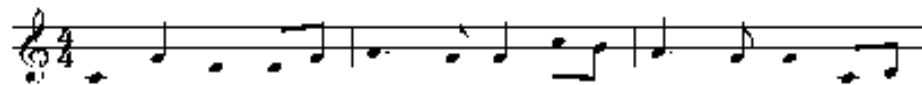
*My friends, our heavenly Father delights in showing grace to his people. I declare to you in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.*

**People: Thanks be to God!**

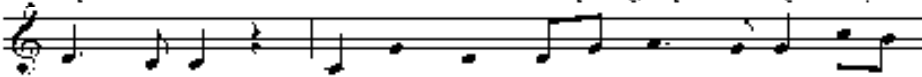
\*Hymn of Prayer

"Speak, O Lord"

*Townend-Getty*



1. Speak, O Lord as we come to you to re-ceive the food of your  
2. Teach us, Lord full o be-di-ence, ho-ly re-ve-rence, true hu-  
3. Speak O Lord and re-new our minds, help us grasp the heights of your



Ho-ly Word. Take your truth, plant it deep in us, shape and  
mul-ti-ty. Test our thoughts and our at-ti-tudes in the  
plans for us. Truths un-changed from the dawn of time, that will

lash ion us in your like - ness. That the light of Christ may be  
 ra - di - ence of your pur - i - ty. Cause our faith to rise, cause our  
 ech - o down through e - ter - ni - ty. And by grace we'll stand on your  
 seen to-day in our acts of love and our deeds of faith. Speak, O Lord and ful -  
 eyes to see your ma - jes - tic love and augh - t - i - ty. Words of pow'r that can  
 pro - mi - ses; and by faith we'll walk as you walk with us. Speak, O Lord, 'til your  
 fill in us all your pur - po - ses for your glo - ry  
 ne ver fail, let their truth pre - val - over un - be - lief.  
 Church is built and the earth is filled with your glo - ry.

**\*Affirmation of Faith The Heidelberg Catechism Mr. McCracken**

- Q. 69 How are you admonished and assured by holy baptism that the one sacrifice of Christ upon the cross is of real advantage to you?
- A. **Thus: That Christ appointed this external washing with water, adding to it this promise, that I am as certainly washed by His blood and Spirit from all the pollution of my soul, that is from all my sins, as I am washed externally with water, by which the filthiness of the body is commonly washed away.**
- Q. 74 Are infants also to be baptized?
- A. **Yes, for since they, as well as the adult, are included in the covenant and church of God, and since redemption from sin by the blood of Christ, and the Holy Ghost, the author of faith, is promised to them no less than to the adult; they must therefore by baptism, as a sign of the covenant, be also admitted unto the Christian church, and be distinguished from the children of unbelievers as was done in the old covenant or testament by circumcision, instead of which baptism is instituted in the new covenant.**

**\*Hymn of Assurance, No. 411 "Shine Thou upon Us, Lord" LEONI**

**Prayers for Christ's Church and the World Mr. Rehlin**

**The Collection of Tithes and Offerings**

**The Musical Offering**      **“O Rejoice Ye Christians, Loudly”**      J.S. Bach  
Trinity Choir

*This New Year’s  
Chorale is  
attributed to the  
great Lutheran  
composer, J.S. Bach,  
and also to the hymn  
writer, Christian  
Keimann. (1662)*

*O rejoice ye Christians, loudly, for your joy is now begun; wondrous things our  
God hath done; tell abroad his goodness proudly, who our race hath honored thus,  
that he deigns to dwell with us. (Chorus) Joy, O joy beyond all gladness! Christ  
hath done away with sadness! Hence, all sorrow and repining, for the Son of grace  
is shining! See, my soul, thy Savior chooses weakness here, and poverty. In such  
love He comes to thee, nor the hardest couch refuses, all he suffers for thy good, to  
redeem thee by his blood. (Chorus) Jesus, guard and guide thy members, fill thy  
brethren with thy grace, hear their prayers in every place. Quicken now life’s faint-  
est embers, grant all Christians far and near, holy peace, a glad New Year! Joy, O  
joy beyond all gladness! Christ hath done away with sadness! Hence, all sorrow  
and repining, for the Son of grace is shining!*

**The Offering Consecration**      The Rev. Michael Wichlan

**\*Doxology**      OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise him all creatures here below,  
Praise him above ye heavenly hosts,  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*As we continue to  
“Pass the Peace” to  
one another, children  
between the ages of  
4 – 1st grade may now  
be dismissed for  
“Celebration Chapel”  
in room 130. At this  
time, please locate the  
black friendship pad at  
the left end of your  
row, fill it out and pass  
it back to the begin-  
ning of the row.*

**\*Passing of the Peace**      *Philippians 4:7*      Mr. Wichlan

Minister: The peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, guards  
your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.  
May that peace of Christ be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

**The Service of Friendship**

**\*The Prayer for Illumination**      Mr. McCracken

**\*Scripture Reading**      **Genesis 17:7, 10**  
*This reading can be found on page 12 in the black pew Bible.*

**The Morning Sermon**      **“Why We Baptize Babies”**      Mr. McCracken  
*Part 7 of the series “Liturgy: Discovering the Drama of Gospel-Shaped Worship”*

**\*Hymn of Response "Go, My Children, With My Blessing"** AR HYD Y NOS

1. Go, My chil-dren, with My bless-ing, nev-er a-lone.  
 2. Go, My chil-dren, fed and nour-ished, clo-ser to Me;  
 3. I the Lord will bless and keep you and give you peace;

Wak-ing, sleep-ing, I am with you; You are My own.  
 Grow in love and love by serv-ing, joy-ful and free.  
 I the Lord will smile up-on you and give you peace;

In my love's bap-tis-mal riv-er I have made you Mine; ter-ri-er.  
 Here My Spir-it's pow-er filled you. Here His lan-der com-fort stilled you.  
 I the Lord will be your fa-ther, Sav-ior, Com-fort-er, and Bro-ther,

Go, My chil-dren with My bless-ing— You are my own.  
 Go, My chil-dren, fed and nour-ished, Joy-ful and free.  
 Go, My chil-dren; I will keep you and give you peace.

Parents: This hymn by the late Jaroslav J. Vajda (a Lutheran minister) is a wonderful song to sing to your children at bedtime. This wonderful Welsh melody is sung as "God, That Madest Earth" and Heaven, no. 405 in the Trinity Hymnal.

**\*Silent Prayer**

**\*Charge and Benediction**

Mr. McCracken

Minister: Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself.

Acts 2:38-39

**People: With God's help, we will.**

Minister: Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, who alone does wondrous things. Blessed be his glorious name forever; may the whole earth be filled with his glory! Amen and Amen.

Psalm 72:18-19

**People: Thanks be to God! Amen!**

**Postlude**

**"Christ the Redeemer"**

Tom Birchwood

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