

WELCOME

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

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"

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.

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

WEEKLY MINISTRY SCHEDULE

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.	Becky Brantz Home
Wednesday	Joyful Noises Choir	5:30—6:30 p.m.	Choir Room
	Adult Choir Practice	7:30—9:00 p.m.	Choir Room
Thursday	WIC Bible Study	7:00—9:00 p.m.	Tina Thiel Home
	ESL Classes	7:00—8:30 p.m.	Various

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

November 27, 2011 • 10:30 • FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Thoughts for Worship Preparation

“O come, thou Rod of Jesse, free thine own from Satan’s tyranny; from depths of hell thy people save, and give them victory o’er the grave. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.”

Latin Hymn, 12th Century

“The hour has come for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed. The night is far gone; the day is at hand. So then let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light.”

Romans 13:11-12

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

The Prelude Psalm

Psalm 136

Ken Bible

<p><i>Choir</i></p>  <p><i>People</i></p>	<p>Give thanks to God, for He is good; His love en-dures for - ev - er, Give thanks to God, for He is good; His love en-dures for - ev - er. Give thanks to God, for He is good; His love en-dures for - ev - er.</p>
<p><i>Choir</i></p>  <p><i>People</i></p>	<p>Give praise to him, the Lord of lords; His love en-dures for ev - er. He bro't us out from sin and death; His love en-dures for ev - er. We join the song that nev - er ends; His love en-dures for - ev - er.</p>
	<p>He spread the earth and sea and sky, he He stood and stretched His might - y hand, He Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow! Praise</p>
	<p>filled them all with light and life, may God a - lone be bowed Him - self, be - came a man, a gulf that on - ly Him, all crea - tures here be - low! Praise Fa - ther, Son, and</p>
	<p>lift - ed high! His love en - dures for - ev - er. love could span! His love en - dures for - ev - er. Ho - ly Ghost! His love en - dures for - ev - er.</p>

Public Confession of Sin

Mr. Rocky Freeman, *Ruling Elder*

Elder: Like the Prodigal Son, we too flee from the rule and reign of our Father’s house. We fail to see how good our Father’s rules are for us, and we attempt to live by our own rules instead. Prone to wander, let us confess our waywardness to our Father:

People: **When the son came to his senses, he went to his Father and said, “Father I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.”** *from Luke 15:17,21*

Silent Confession

Declaration of Forgiveness

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

The Father saw him, and felt compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him...and said, “My son was dead, and is alive again, he was lost, and is found.” And they began to celebrate! *Luke 15:20 & 24*

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 Assurance, No. 460 “Amazing Grace”

AMAZING GRACE C.M.

Prayers for Christ’s Church and the World

Mr. Freeman

Choral Amen

John Rutter

The Collection of Tithes and Offerings

Having now praised God for all that He is for us in Christ Jesus, we now become keenly aware of our shortcomings and trespasses. The Scriptures command us to confess our sins, individually and collectively, since each one’s sin affects the whole body of Christ. This morning’s sermon will examine the Confession and Assurance of Pardon in greater detail.

God’s grace is so great that we cannot help but quietly marvel at it. Give thanks to God now for His amazing grace.

Being forgiven, we are now free to approach His throne with our requests and petitions.

The Musical Offering **"I will Sing New Songs of Gladness"** A. Dvorak

Trinity Choir; Barbara Leeman, director *Psalm 145:1-7 & 144:9*

I will sing new songs of gladness, I will sing Jehovah's praises upon a ten-string psaltery. Ev'ry day will I extol Thee and will bless Thy Holy Name, I will bless Thy Holy Name. Great is God and great His mercy. Who shall tell of all His greatness? Who shall His pow'r declare? My song shall be of praise and honor, and of Thy glorious acts. Thy works are wonderful, past our knowing. Yea, men shall tell of Thy great kindness and of Thy wond'rous might, and my voice shall proclaim aloud Thy glory.

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 beginning of the row.

The Offering Consecration

Mr. Patrick Poteet

***Gloria Patri**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost,
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end, Amen, Amen.**

***Passing of the Peace**

Isaiah 9:6-7

Mr. Poteet

Minister: He will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his government and peace there will be no end.
The peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

The Service of Friendship

Mr. Poteet

***The Prayer for Illumination**

Mr. McCracken

***Scripture Reading**

Psalm 130

This reading can be found on page 518 in the black pew Bible.

The Morning Sermon

"Confession and Assurance"

Mr. McCracken

Part 3 of the series "Liturgy: Discovering the Drama of Gospel-Shaped Worship"

***Hymn of Response**

"A Debtor to Mercy Alone"

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***Silent Prayer**

***Charge and Benediction**

Mr. McCracken

Minister: Therefore, set your hope fully on the grace that will be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ. As obedient children, do not be conformed to the passions of your former ignorance but as he who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct since it is written, "You shall be holy, for I am holy." *from I Peter 1:13-16*

People: With God's help, we will.

Minister: Now to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling, and to make you stand in the presence of His glory blameless, with great joy, to the only God our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen. *Jude 1.24,25*

People: Thanks be to God! Amen!

Postlude

Mr. Dave Leeman, organist