



TRINITY CHURCH

— KIRKWOOD —

2 CORINTHIANS 4:5

August 11, 2019

For what we proclaim is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake.

— 2 Corinthians 4.5

WORSHIPING THE GOD WHO GIVES LIFE

Liturgist: Matt Pannkuk

Pastoral Prayer: Ruling Elder, Ron Ridderbos

Scripture Reader: Glynn Schlitt

Quotes and Reflections

“Life is a long lesson in humility.” — James. M. Barrie

“Eternal life is a jewel of too great a value to be purchased by the wealth of this world.” — Matthew Henry

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

WE READY OURSELVES TO WORSHIP

Reflect quietly and prayerfully on these words as we prepare to enter into worship.

Living in the Tension by Daniel Dunlap (From Ligonier.org):

“‘The Church is full of hypocrites!’ Sadly, this statement is all too often true. Sometimes our actions betray our profession, leaving the spotless bride open to such charges. The presumptuous attitude of self-righteousness that we often convey to the world reveals our operational ignorance of a peculiar tension we find in the New Testament: The tension of the ‘already, but not yet.’”

‘Already, but not yet’ describes the tension between the benefits of redemption already experienced in this life and those benefits which await us at the consummation. Christians enjoy the ‘alreadyness’ of the Atonement—remission of sins, adoption as children, the indwelling Holy Spirit, etc. However, there is a sense in which we will not see these realities in totality until the last day (1 John 3:2), and so they always remain objects of faith.

True, the believer is no longer living as one who is totally depraved; but he can never attain sinless perfection in this life either. The belief in ‘complete sanctification’ in this life denies the already/not-yet tension. The believer is in a lifelong struggle with the flesh (Romans 8:13). The church enjoys the ‘alreadyness’ of the community of the redeemed; but her ‘not yetness’ reminds her to uphold her purity through discipline. She must guard against false teachers, immorality, and apostasy. Christians should be dealt with as forgiven sinners: neither above reproach, nor wholly incapable of any good.

The already-not yet tension underlies the whole New Testament message. Understanding this tension provides us with the necessary balance for applying its teachings to every aspect of our Christian experience.”

Song of Preparation

Amazing Grace
Trinity Hymnal #460 (vv., 1, 2, 6)

"Abounding sin is the terror of the world but abounding grace is the hope of mankind." — A.W. Tozer

***Call to Worship—Psalm 50:1-6**

Leader: The Mighty One, God the Lord, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

People: Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God shines forth.

Leader: Our God comes; he does not keep silence;

People: Before him is a devouring fire, around him a mighty tempest.

Leader: "Gather to me my faithful ones, who made a covenant with me by sacrifice!"

All: The heavens declare his righteousness, for God himself is judge!

WE DECLARE THE ETERNAL WORTHINESS OF GOD

*Song of Adoration

Behold Our God

Music and Words by Jonathan Baird, Meghan Baird, Ryan Baird, and Stephen Altrogge

♩ = 73

C **VERSE** Em C Em

1. Who has held the o - ceans in His hands? Who has num - bered ev - ery grain of sand?
2. Who has giv - en coun - sel to the Lord? Who can ques - tion an - y of His words?
3. Who has felt the nails up - on His hands, bear - ing all the guilt of sin - ful man?

5 C Em C

Kings and na - tions trem - ble at his voice. All cre - a - tion
Who can teach the One who knows all things? Who can fath - om
God e - ter - nal, hum - bled to the grave, Je - sus, Sav - ior,

8 Em7 G **CHORUS** C G/B Am F

ris - es to re - joice. Be - hold our God, seat - ed on His throne. Come, let us a -
all his won - drous deeds?
ris - en now to reign!

13 C G C G/B Am F C G C

dore Him. Be - hold our King, noth - ing can com - pare, come, let us a - dore Him!

19 Em C Em 2. F² Em F² G 3. C **FINE**

Him! Him!

BRIDGE C F/C C F/C Am⁷

Men: You will reign for - ev - er. You will reign for - ev - er. You will reign for -
Women: Let Your glo - ry fill the earth. Let Your glo - ry fill the earth. Let Your

F Am⁷ F

ev - er. You will reign for - ev - er.
glo - ry fill the earth. Let Your glo - ry fill the earth.

C F Am⁷ F **DS**

You will reign for - ev - er. You will reign for - ev - er. Be
Let Your glo - ry fill the earth. Let Your glo - ry fill,

*Song of Adoration

This Is My Father's World

Trinity Hymnal #111

*Prayer of Adoration

WE HEAR FROM GOD'S WORD

Old Testament Reading—Isaiah 1:1; 10-18

God exhorts those who would follow him

The vision of Isaiah the son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah...Hear the word of the Lord, you rulers of Sodom! Give ear to the teaching of our God, you people of Gomorrah! What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices? says the Lord; I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams and the fat of well-fed beasts; I do not delight in the blood of bulls, or of lambs, or of goats. When you come to appear before me, who has required of you this trampling of my courts? Bring no more vain offerings; incense is an abomination to me. New moon and Sabbath and the calling of convocations—I cannot endure iniquity and solemn assembly. Your new moons and your appointed feasts my soul hates; they have become a burden to me; I am weary of bearing them. When you spread out your hands, I will hide my eyes from you; even though you make many prayers, I will not listen; your hands are full of blood. Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your deeds from before my eyes; cease to do evil, learn to do good; seek justice, correct oppression; bring justice to the fatherless, plead the widow's cause. Come now, let us reason together, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.

Reader: The grass withers and the flowers fall, but the word of the Lord stands forever!

People: Thanks be to God!

WE CONFESS OUR UTTER UNWORTHINESS BEFORE GOD

Call to Confession—Hebrews 11:1-3

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. For by it the people of old received their commendation. By faith we understand that the universe was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible.

Silent Confession and Lament

*“Even those of us who have a weak faith have the same strong Christ as others!”
—Sinclair Ferguson*

WE ENCOUNTER AND REJOICE IN THE AMAZING GRACE OF GOD

Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace— Hebrews 12 (selected)

For you have not come to what may be touched, a blazing fire and darkness and gloom and a tempest and the sound of a trumpet and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that no further messages be spoken to them...But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God, the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

Leader: People of God, give thanks to God for His better word of grace!

People: Thanks be to God!

Leader: Now may the peace of Christ be with you all!

People: And also with you!

*Song of Pardon

Jesus, My Great High Priest

Words by Isaac Watts, 1709. Music by Kirk Ward, 2005

Rock ♩ = 144

verse

1. Je - sus, my great High Priest Of - fered his blood and
 (2.To) this dear Sure - ty's hand Will I com - mit my
 (3.My) Ad - vo - cate ap - pears For my de - fense on
 (4.Should) all the hosts of death And pow'r of hell un -

died cause; My guilt con - science seeks No
 high; He an - swers and ful - fills His
 known Put their most dread - ful ears And
 Of

sa - cri - fice be - side. His pow'r - ful blood did
 Fa - ther's bro - ken laws. Be - hold my soul at
 rage his thun - der by. Not all that hell or
 and mis - chief on, I shall be safe, for

once a - tone, And now it pleads be - fore the throne; And
 free - dom set; My Sure - ty paid the dread - ful debt; My
 sin can say, Shall turn his heart, his love, a - way Shall
 Christ dis - plays His con - qu'ring pow'r and guard - ian grace; His

now it pleads be - fore the throne.
 Sure - ty paid the dread - ful debt.
 turn his heart, his love, a - way.
 con - qu'ring pow'r and guard - ian grace.



16 E Chorus B A

2.To Now I ap - proach the

19 E B A E B A C#m7

throne, and I have con - fi - dence for Je - sus my great High Priest of - fered His

24 F#m7 B E B A E

blood and died Now I ap - proach the throne, and I have

28 B A E B A C#m7

con - fi - dence for Je - sus my great High Priest of - fered His

32 F#m7 B E A/E E *Fine* *D.C. al Fine*

blood and died for me.

3.My
4.Should

WE HUMBLE OURSELVES BEFORE THE LORD

Pastoral Prayer

Tithes and Offerings

(Children ages 4yr to 2nd grade may be excused for Children's Church in the 1st/2nd grade classroom.)

Offertory Song (Ensemble) *My Heart Is Filled with Thankfulness*

My heart is filled with thankfulness to Him who bore my pain;
who plumbed the depths of disgrace and gave me life again.
Who crushed my curse of sinfulness and clothed me in His light,
And wrote His law of righteousness with pow'r upon my heart

My heart is filled with thankfulness to Him who walks beside;
Who floods my weaknesses with strength and causes fears to fly.
Whose every promise is enough for every step I take;
Sustaining me with arms of love and crowning me with grace.

My heart is filled with thankfulness to Him who reigns above;
Whose wisdom is my perfect peace, whose every thought is love.
For every day I have on earth is given by the King.
So I will give my life, my all, to love and follow Him.

Sermon

"Hard Teachings and Harrowing Responses"

John 6:35-71

Rev. Chris Polski

"He values not Christ at all who does not value Christ above all." — Augustine


*Song of Response

In Christ Alone

Words and Music by Keith Getty and Stuart Townend


♩ = 60

G D G A D/F#




1. In Christ a - lone my hope is found, He is my
 2. In Christ a - lone, who took on flesh, full - ness of
 3. There in the ground His bod - y lay, Light of the
 4. No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the

3 G D/F# Em7 G/A D G G



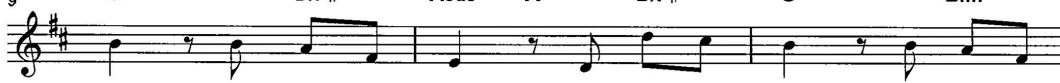
light, my strength my song; This Cor - ner - stone, this sol - id
 God in help - less babe! This gift of love and right - eous -
 world, by dark - ness slain; Then, burst - ing forth in glo - rious -
 pow'r of Christ in me; From life's first cry to fi - nal

6 A D/F# G D/F# Em7 G/A D D/F#




ground, firm through the fierc - est drought and storm. What heights of
 ness, scorned by the ones He came to save. 'Till on the
 day, up from the grave He rose a - gain! And as He
 breath, Je - sus com - mands my des - ti - ny. No pow'r of

9 G D/F# Asus A D/F# G Bm7




love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when striv - ings
 cross as Je - sus died, the wrath of God was sat - is -
 stands in vic - to - ry, sin's curse has lost its grip on
 hell, no scheme of man, can ev - er pluck me from His

12 Asus A G D G A D/F# G D/F# Em7 G/A



cease. My com - fort - er, my all in all, here in the love of Christ I
 fied. For ev - 'ry sin on Him was laid; here in the death of Christ I
 me; For I am His and He is mine, bought with the pre - cious blood of
 hand; 'Til He re - turns or calls me home, here in the pow'r of Christ I'll

16 D Am7 Em7 D A7sus D



stand.
 live.
 Christ.
 stand!

"Death died when Christ rose!" — Anon.

*Benediction

These are just announcement highlights. If you'd like to know more about Trinity, connect with us in one of the following ways...

- 314/821-7311 • www.trinitychurchkirkwood.org • Facebook: Trinity Church Kirkwood

Worship and General Church Information

- **Sunday school is on summer hiatus.** We will resume on August 25th.
- **No Student Ministry** events this week.
- **Volunteers next week:** Nursery: O'Donnell, Polski, Roberts, Hendricks, Kocher.
Ushers: Schlitt, Kwong, Schaffer.
- **Ladies, join us THIS week** for to our two exciting events on Fri., Aug. 16th at 6:30pm and Sat., Aug. 17th at 9am with guest speaker and author, Christina Fox! Both are free, but **please RSVP to Amy Mitchell** so we can prepare accordingly. More info can be found in today's insert.
- **Men's Bible Study** resumes this Friday at 6:30am. The men will continue their study of the Book of Revelation (but it isn't too late to join them).
- **Prayer gathering this Friday** at 7:30am.
- **Women's Bible Study** books and sign ups are on the hall table. The evening group meets twice a month at 7pm (beginning Aug. 27th) at Melissa Jorgensen's home. The morning group will meet weekly at 9am (beginning Aug.28th) at Trinity. Childcare is available for Wed. mornings.
- **Scripture Readers needed.** Please see sign up sheet on the hall table.
- **Parents:** We would greatly appreciate it if you would help us care for our instruments and sound equipment by **not allowing your children on the stage or to play with the instruments.**
- **Trinity Kid's Connect (membership class)** will take place on **Sept. 14th from 9-11:30am at Trinity.** If you have a child reading age through 5th grade, who is interested in becoming a communing member of Trinity, please contact Pastor Nate or Pastor Ben.
- Mark your Calendars for Trinity's annual **Party on the Lawn, Sat., September 28th** at 5pm. Bring your friends and family for a free food, live entertainment, games, and more!
- On **August 25th**, during the adult Sunday school class, we will **present our new church data base and source of future communications.** If you would like to access it or update your family's information, go to Church Center in the app store or <https://planning.center/church-center>.

Visiting with us today?

We are glad you are here! We would love to reach out to you (not in a nagging way) this week. Please fill out a card in the seat pockets and place in the offering basket or hand to an usher or pastor, or text your name to: **314-384-2444**.

We are happy your little ones are here too. They are welcome throughout the worship service, but if you prefer we offer:

- Nursery care for children 6 weeks through pre-school age.
- Children's Church gathers in the 1st & 2nd gr. classroom (room 111) during the offering for ages 4yrs through 2nd grade (and stays there for the remainder of the service).
- The worship service is streamed to the Fireplace Room for nursing moms.

If you are not able to find seats in the sanctuary, overflow is set up in the Youth Room.

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Trinity's ministries are organized around the core values in our purpose statement which reads: Trinity Church exists to **exalt** God's name, **establish** God's people, **equip** God's church and **engage** God's world, in the power of the Holy Spirit and for the sake of the Risen King, Jesus Christ.

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