



TRINITY CHURCH

— KIRKWOOD —

2 CORINTHIANS 4:5

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WELCOME

We are glad you could join us! We would love to connect with you and answer any questions you may have about Trinity. Scan below with your phone camera to leave us your contact information.



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WORSHIPING THE GOD WHO FILLS THE WORLD

Liturgist: Rev. Dr. Chris Polski

Scripture Reader: Ellie Perry

Pastoral Prayer: Ruling Elder, Duncan Highmark

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Quotes and Reflections

“In biblical usage the heart is the whole inward self, comprising mind as well as emotion.” — John Stott

“The head fills the body with powers of movement and perception, and thereby inspires the whole body with life and direction” — Dr. Markus Barth

“The final clause of this section of the letter asserts that the church is filled with power and grace from its exalted Lord, who, in turn, extends his reign throughout heaven and earth through the church. The church accomplishes this through dependence on the one who fills her and by proclaiming the gospel and manifesting the kingdom of God to all in an extensive way”

— Clinton E. Arnold

WE READY OURSELVES FOR WORSHIP

Devotional (Prayer) – from Scotty Smith, January 6, 2018, tgc.org

Take this bulletin with you and pray this prayer. As you pray, ask the Lord of heaven to enlighten the eyes of your heart.

“Heavenly Father, your words to Samuel are so convicting. No matter the health of our natural eyes, there’s an ophthalmological corrective than can only take place as the gospel does its work on the eyes of our hearts. Even if we see with 20/15 or 20/10 vision, if we only focus on the “outward appearance” of people and places, things and events, we’re still not seeing as you intend.

So, open the eyes of our hearts, Father; first and foremost, so we may see Jesus more clearly, and more of Jesus. For the better we see Jesus, the more we’ll look at everything from the perspective of your heart and eternity. Heal our spiritual astigmatism, short-sightedness, and cataracts.

Help us see people with gospel eyes. When we only look at people through the distortions of our fallen hearts, we miss so much. Help us see your image in everybody—their dignity and design, their beauty and their brokenness. Forgive us for looking at people primarily in terms of how they might benefit or harm us. Help us see what you see in our co-workers, family members, friends, and strangers.

Help us view creation with gospel eyes. Father, don’t let us look at oceans and mountains, sunrises and sunsets, or flora and fauna in the same old ways. Fill our hearts with childlike awe and deep worship, as we behold your majesty in the things you have made. Forgive us for living more like consumers of creation, rather than stewards of it.

Help us look at pain and suffering with gospel eyes. Father, sometimes when we look at the crucibles, crises, and cruel stories of life, we simply want to run or hide, fix or deny. When great need is staring us down, free us to see with the eyes of Jesus, think with the mind of Christ, and love with the hands of your mercy. So very Amen we pray, in Jesus’ reigning and loving name.”

Song of Preparation

Forty

Based on Psalm 40 | U2

I waited patiently for the Lord, He inclined and heard my cry
He brought me up out of the pit; out of the miry clay

I will sing, sing a new song (Men)
I will sing, sing a new song (Women echo)
I will sing, sing a new song (Men)
I will sing, sing a new song (Women echo)

How long to sing this song? (Men)
How long to sing this song? (Women echo)
How long to sing this song? (Men)
How long to sing this song? (Women echo)

How long, how long, how long? (Together)
How long, to sing this song? (Together)

He set my feet upon the rock
And made my footsteps firm
Many will see
Many will see and fear

I will sing, sing a new song (Men)
I will sing, sing a new song (Women echo)
I will sing, sing a new song (Men)
I will sing, sing a new song (Women echo)

How long to sing this song? (Men)
How long to sing this song? (Women echo)
How long to sing this song? (Men)
How long to sing this song? (Women echo)

How long, how long, how long? (Together)
How long, to sing this song? (Together)

***Call to Worship—Lamentations 3:19-25**

Leader: Remember my affliction and my wanderings, the wormwood and the gall!

People: My soul continually remembers it and is bowed down within me.

Leader: But this I call to mind, and therefore I have hope:

People: The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

Leader: "The Lord is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in him."

All: The Lord is good to those who wait for him, to the soul who seeks him.

WE DECLARE THE ETERNAL WORTHINESS OF GOD

*Songs of Adoration

Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

Words by Keith Getty, Jordan Kauflin, Matt Papa, Matt Boswell, and Matthew Merker

D Dsus D Dsus D Bm7



What is our hope in life and death? Christ a-lone, Christ a-
 What truth can calm the trou-bled soul? God is good, God is
 Un-to the grave, what shall we sing? Christ, he lives! Christ, he

A D A/C# Bm G D/A A

5



lone. What is our on-ly con-fi-dence? That our souls to him be-
 good. Where is his grace and good-ness known? In our great Re-deem-er's
 lives! And what re-ward will heav-en bring? Ev-er-last-ing life with

D F#m Bm Em7 D/F#

9



long Who holds our days with-in his hand? What comes a-part from His com-
 blood. Who holds our faith when fears a-rise? Who stands a-bove the storm-y
 him. There we will rise to meet the Lord, then sin and death will be de-

G D/A A(F#/A#) Bm G D/A A D

13



mand? And what will keep us to the end? The love of Christ, in which we stand—
 trial? Who sends the waves that bring us nigh un-to the shore the rock of Christ?—
 stroyed, and we will feast in end-less joy, When Christ is ours for-ev-er more.—

Bm G D A/C# A Bm D/F# G

18



— O sing hal-le-lu-jah Our hope springs e-ter-nal; O— sing hal-le-

D/F# G D/F# A G Bm A D

24



lu-jah! Now and ev-er we con-fess Christ our hope in life and death.

We Will Feast in House of Zion

Sandra McCracken and Joshua Moore



We will feast in the house of Zi - on. We will sing with our



hearts re - stored. He has done great things. we will say to - ge - ther



We will feast and weep no more.

- 1. We will not be
- 2. In the dark of
- 3. Ev - ery vow we've



burned by the fire, He is the Lord our God we are not con -
night be - fore the dawn my soul be not a - fraid for the pro - mised
bro - ken and be - trayed You are the faith ful one and from the



sumed by the flood Up - held, pro - tect - ed, ga - thered up
mor - ning o how long O God of Ja - cob be — my strength.
gar - den to the grave Bind us to - ge - ther bring — sha - lom

*Prayer of Adoration

WE HEAR FROM GOD'S WORD

Old Testament Reading—Habakkuk 1:1-4

The oracle that Habakkuk the prophet saw

O Lord, how long shall I cry for help,
and you will not hear?

Or cry to you "Violence!"
and you will not save?

Why do you make me see iniquity,
and why do you idly look at wrong?

Destruction and violence are before me;
strife and contention arise.

So the law is paralyzed,
and justice never goes forth.

For the wicked surround the righteous;
so justice goes forth perverted.

"Look among the nations, and see;
wonder and be astounded.

For I am doing a work in your days
that you would not believe if told."

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—Luke 17:7-10

“Will any one of you who has a servant plowing or keeping sheep say to him when he has come in from the field, ‘Come at once and recline at table’? Will he not rather say to him, ‘Prepare supper for me, and dress properly, and serve me while I eat and drink, and afterward you will eat and drink’? Does he thank the servant because he did what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were commanded, say, ‘We are unworthy servants; we have only done what was our duty.’”

Silent Confession and Lament

Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace—Rom. 6:16-18

Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God, that you who were once slaves of sin have become obedient from the heart to the standard of teaching to which you were committed, and, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness.

Leader: People of God, give thanks be to God for setting us free from the bondage of sin because of His righteousness.

People: Thanks be to God!

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

People: And also with you!

*Song of Rejoicing

Goodness of God

Word and Music by Jenn Johnson, Ed Cash, Jason Ingram, Ben Fielding, and Brian Johnson

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VERSE

A

D



1. I love _ You, Lord. ____ Oh, Your mer - cy nev - er fails .
2. I love _ Your voice.) ____ You have led me through the fi -

3

A

E/G#

F#m7

D



me. All _ my days ____ I've been held in _ Your hands. .
- re. In dark - est night, _ You are close like _ no oth -

5

E⁽⁴⁾

F#m7

D



- er. From the mo - ment that I wake up un - til I lay
I've known You as a fa - ther, I've known You as

7

A

E/G# F#m7

D

E⁽⁴⁾

A



my head, I _ will sing _ of the good - ness of God. _
a friend. I _ have lived _ in the good - ness of God. _

CHORUS

10

D²

A

D²



All my life _ You have _ been faith - ful. All my life _ You have _ been so, .

13 A E⁽⁴⁾ D² A E/G# F#m⁷

— so good. With ev-'ry breath — that I — am a — ble I — will sing.

16 D² E⁽⁴⁾ Last time to Coda Φ 1. A 2. A

— of the good - ness of God. — 2. I love — Your voice. —

19 BRIDGE A/C# D² E⁽⁴⁾ A

Your good - ness is run - ning af - ter, it's run - ning af - ter me. —

21 A/C# D² E⁽⁴⁾ A

Your good - ness is run - ning af - ter, it's run - ning af - ter me. — With my life —

23 A/C# D² E⁽⁴⁾ F#m⁷

— laid down, — I'm sur - ren - dered now; — I give — You ev - 'ry - thing. —

25 A/C# D² E⁽⁴⁾ A

Your good - ness is run - ning af - ter, it's run - ning af - ter me. —

27 E⁽⁴⁾ A D.S. al Coda

run - ning af - ter me. —

30 Φ Coda F#m⁷ TAG D² E⁽⁴⁾ A

— I — will sing — of the good - ness of God. —

WE HUMBLE OURSELVES BEFORE THE LORD

Pastoral Prayer

Tithes and Offerings

(Children's Church meets for 4yr to 2nd grade on the 1st & 3rd Sunday)

Sermon

"Losing Steam"

Ephesians 1:15-22

A Series on the Epistle of Ephesians

Rev. Pablo Rosales

***Song of Response**

Crown Him with Many Crowns

Trinity Hymnal #295

THE SERVICE OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

***Sursum Corda**

Pastor: The LORD be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up unto the LORD.

Pastor: Let us give thanks unto the LORD our God.

People: It is good and right so to do.

***Confession of Faith**

Leader: Christian, in whom do you believe?

**All: I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived of the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**The third day He arose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven and sits at the right
hand of God the Father Almighty, whence He
shall come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy universal church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting. Amen**

Words of Institution–Matthew 26:26–29

Now as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and after blessing it broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said, "Take, eat; this is my body." And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you, for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. I tell you I will not drink again of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom."

Prayer of Consecration

The Giving of the Bread and Cup

** Upon direction from the ushers, please come forward down the center aisle, keeping six feet between you and the those in front of you. After you receive the elements, please return to your seats via the side aisles. Please hold the elements until we are all able to partake together. After the service, please dispose of your used communion cup.*

(Note: Grape juice is in the purple cups and wine is in the clear. Bread is gluten and nut free)

Communion Song (Ensemble)

Until He Comes Again

Ricky Vasquez, Ike Ndolo, Sandra McCracken, Mitch Wong, and Matt Maher

Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Sending Song

Mighty God We Thank and Praise You

Mighty God we thank and praise you for this meal, this Bread of Life;
Precious blood and body, broken, from your Son our Savior, Christ.
In these myst'ries you assure us we are members of your Son;
Heirs of your eternal Kingdom, with all faithful people, one.

Humbly now we ask you, Father, in your grace, to make us strong,
That, with all the saints before us, in good works we may press on!
Send us out to love and serve you! Send us out to sing your praise!
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, pow'r and glory to your name!
Amen, amen, amen, amen, amen.

*Benediction

Adult Sunday School

The Gospel of Matthew

Ruling Elders Jim Talent and Fielding Poe
Classroom one

This class seeks to provide an in-depth study of the book of Matthew by addressing the text and various key doctrines that emerge from its study toward the goal of helping church members develop a deeper and firmer understanding of the fundamentals of the faith while also providing encouragement and instruction for those who may be interested in leading their own bible studies in the future. The ultimate goal is that all who take part will come away with a renewed appreciation for the King of Kings!

Reading the Psalms with Jesus

Dr. Aaron Goldstein
Classroom two

The book of Psalms is the one of the most beloved books of the Bible, featuring oft-memorized and cherished passages. In the Gospels, Jesus quotes or alludes to the Psalms on a number of occasions. In this class, we will explore the Psalms, and as a part of our process, we will learn from the way that Jesus himself takes up the Psalms in his ministry.

Trinity Connect-Exploring Membership at Trinity Church

Rev. Dr. Chris Polski
Fireplace room

Interested in becoming a member of Trinity Church or want to learn more about our ministries or the PCA? This class is the first step in becoming a member of Trinity. While it does not commit you to membership, it is a pre-requisite.

Adult Choir

Katie Polski, Director of Music Ministries
Sanctuary

Do you enjoy singing? Join us for 8-9 weeks as we prepare songs for upcoming worship services. No experience necessary.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday school classes for all ages meet today.

Wed. night dinner: Register today for dinner at 5:30 on Wed. This week we will have a taco bar. Adult-\$8, Children-\$4. **Deadline to register is Tue. at 10am.** Go to events in Church Center or email Amy Mitchell.

Jr. Students: meet on Wednesdays from 6-7:15pm.
Sr. High meets on Sundays from 6-7:30pm in the lower level youth area.

Men's Bible study meets Wed. at 6pm, continuing with a look at the Book of Acts. **Women,** on Tuesdays at 7pm twice a month we will meet to discuss Ecclesiastes at Melissa Jorgensen's home (10/11) or we meet weekly on Wednesdays at 9am or 6pm to study 1, 2, 3 John.

Volunteers today: Ushers: Schaeffer, Schlitt, T. Thomason. Nursery: Waldron, Doak, Mitchell, Cheathan. SS: Schaffer, Bava. **Next Sunday:** Ushers: S. Thomason, Younger, Standerfer, Kocher. Nursery: McCall, Keating, A. Schmidt, Boedekker, Linenbroker. SS: Talent, Williamson.

ACTION meets Wednesdays starting with dinner at 5:30pm followed by ministries for ALL ages. We have nursery, children's activities, singing, men's and women's bible study, and Jr. High.

Men's Night this Wed. at 7:30pm at Chris Freeman's

Mom's we meet monthly for fellowship, encouragement and to discuss the video series and book, *Shepherding a Child's Heart* by Tedd Tripp. Our next gathering is Oct. 17. See Alyce Bava for more info.

Christmas Craft Volunteer Info Meeting: Never attended our annual Christmas Craft Party? This is a favorite ministry to our Trinity kids and a wonderful out reach to our community. But it takes LOTS of volunteers. **NEXT Sun.** we will have a very brief meeting for those who have not volunteered in the past to let them know what we do. We will meet between worship and Sunday school.

Save the Date: Children's **Christmas Craft Party** on Sat., Dec. 3rd (new volunteer very brief meeting between worship and SS on Oct. 9th). Trinity's **Christmas Concert** on Sun., Dec. 18th. **Christmas Eve Service** at 5pm, **Christmas Morning Service** at 10:30am.

If you do not receive our **weekly email updates** on Tuesday mornings, please send your email address to amymitchell@trinitystlouis.org.

There are **several easy ways to serve at Trinity.** Feel free to reach out to these ministry coordinators to get involved: **Ushers:** Paul Schaffer (PaulSchaffer1012@gmail.com), **Greeters:** James Broughton (jlbroughton12@gmail.com), **Nursery:** Alyce Bava (jimnalyce@yahoo.com). **Children's SS:** Michelle Goldstein or Melissa Kocker (medcalf.melissa@gmail.com)

Did you know you can use the **Church Center app** for online giving, church directory, to sign up for events, connect with your small groups, bible studies, etc? Contact the church office for assistance.

You can **sign up for all upcoming events** by scanning your phone camera over the QR code and then [following the link:](#)



F L A N N E L P A L O O Z A

Grab your Fall flannel and join us on Fri., Oct. 14th from 5-6:30 pm for **Flannelpalooza!** Families can enjoy "walking tacos" for dinner and s'mores for dessert. Pumpkins will be available for children to decorate and enter the pumpkin decorating contest! Be sure to bring lawn chairs and picnic blankets! Please register on Church Center

MISSION UPDATE

Robinson Elementary Food Pantry – October 20th, 2022

Robinson Elementary hosts a food pantry every month during the school year. They collect and distribute food and supplies to families in need. Trinity Church has partnered with them and assists in greeting, meeting, and providing necessary items to families. During COVID, when public schools were forced to close, Trinity Church hosted the pantry at our location. Since returning to the school, we have the privilege and opportunity to come alongside Robinson Elementary and serve our community.

There are 2 volunteers needed every month. 1 spot left! Please sign-up on the Events page of our Church Center app.

Coffee on Glenwood – October 21st, 2022 Coffee of Glenwood began to show our neighbors, as they pass by our church on Friday mornings, that we are here. We understand that the weeks have been long and there are pressures at school and work. Maybe a smile, a cup of coffee, a croissant, and prayer, will encourage them before the weekend. We want them to know that Trinity Church exists to serve them and not ourselves.

There are 2 volunteers needed every month. Please sign-up on the Events page of our Church Center app.

Ministering to the Sexually Broken

Pornography and sexual sin is considered by many the number one problem facing the church and Christian leadership. Spouses betrayed. Marriages failing. Men and women hiding. Many who struggle consider it too risky to confess their sin and seek help.

FirstLight has been a beacon of hope and healing in St. Louis for the last 15 years. They have helped hundreds of men and women find comfort and healing in Jesus as they seek to live out their convictions regarding healthy, biblical sexuality.

Through providing support groups, teaching, and developing resources aimed at helping the church disciple people in the area of sexuality, FirstLight continues to be a voice in the conversation about what it looks like to live faithfully for Jesus in the midst of a sexually broken world.

If you want to confidentially talk more about this or find out more about FirstLight, please consider contacting the pastors via email, text, or through the confidential prayer request section that only they receive, by scanning the QR code:



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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