



TRINITY CHURCH

— KIRKWOOD —

2 CORINTHIANS 4:5

September 25, 2022

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 OF SAVING GRACE

Liturgist: Rev. Pablo Rosales

Scripture Reader: Meredith Heintz

Pastoral Prayer: Ruling Elder, Duncan Highmark

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Quotes and Reflections

Just as sin reigned in death, so also grace might reign through righteousness to bring eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord. — Romans 5:21

"Perfection demands perfection; that is why salvation must be by grace, and why works are not sufficient." — Donald Grey Barnhouse

"Everything is of grace in the Christian life from the very beginning to the very end." — D. Martyn Lloyd Jones

"Grace finds us beggars but leaves us debtors." — Augustus Toplady

WE READY OURSELVES FOR WORSHIP

A Prayer for Living in Grace- Rev. Dr. Scotty Smith (From TGC.com. 4/30/15)

You then, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. — 2 Tim. 2:1

But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace to me was not without effect. No, I worked harder than all of them—yet not I, but the grace of God that was with me. — 1 Cor. 15:10

Dear heavenly Father, the more I read your Word the more I see your grace as the most heart-transforming, life-reorienting power in the universe. It's no tame kitten, but a disruptive kingdom Through the gospel, you haven't just rescued us from the vanity of self-righteousness and the futility of legalism; you have placed us in a whole new dominion and have released a power in our lives that claims all things and changes everything.

I certainly hear that refrain, loud and clear, in Paul's words, "his grace to me was not without effect." Sometimes when I read Paul's letters and consider his journeys in Acts, I honestly wonder if I really want to be as "free" as Paul was—free to live and die for Jesus; free to become all things to all people, that they might rest in your glorious salvation; free to count all things loss for the excellency of knowing Christ. Father, forgive me for wanting homogenized, domesticated, predictable grace.

Your plan isn't merely to get us into heaven one day, but to get more of heaven in us and from us every day. Grace doesn't just free us from bad and broken religion, pragmatism, moralism, pietism and quietism, and a bunch of other "isms." It frees us for no longer living for ourselves but for the one who died for us, who ever lives for us, and who is coming back for us—Jesus.

Father, bring a "no-holds-barred," "no-prisoners-taken," all-things-renewing grace revival to our hearts and churches. Rescue us from ourselves, from our little stories and from our little fiefdoms. So very Amen we pray, in Jesus triumphant and tender name.

Song of Preparation (Children's Choir)

Jesus, Strong and Kind

Colin Buchanan, Michael Farren, Jonny Robinson, and Rich Thompson

***Call to Worship—Psalm 146 (selected)**

Leader: Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, O my soul!

People: I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

Leader: The Lord sets the prisoners free; the Lord opens the eyes of the blind.

People: The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; the Lord loves the righteous.

Leader: The Lord watches over the sojourners; he upholds the widow and the fatherless,

All: The Lord will reign forever, your God, O Zion, to all generations. Praise the Lord!

WE DECLARE THE ETERNAL WORTHINESS OF GOD

*Songs of Adoration

Let Us Love And Sing And Wonder

Words by John Newton. Music by Laura Taylor



1. Let us love and sing and won - der,
2. Let us love sing the Lord who bought us,
3. Let us sing through fierce temp - ta - tion



Let us praise the Sa - vior's name,
Pit - ied us when to bear e - mies
Threat - en us hard to down



He has hushed the law's loud thun - der,
Called us by his our grace and taught us
For the Lord our strong sal - va - tion



He has quenched Mount Si - nai's flame, He has
Gave us in ears view and the gave us eyes crown He has
Holds in view the conq - u'ror's crown He who



washed us with His blood, He has
washed us with His blood, He has
washed us with His blood, He who

11 Gm Eb

washed us with His blood, He has
 washed us with His blood, He has
 washed us with His blood, He who

13 Gm Eb

washed us with His blood, He has
 washed us with His blood, He pre -
 washed us with His blood, Soon will

15 F Bb

brought us nigh to God
 sends our souls to God
 bring us home to God

17 F Gm Eb

brought us nigh to God
 sends our souls to God
 bring us home to God

4. Let us wonder grace and justice
 Join and point to mercy's store
 When through grace in Christ our trust is
 Justice smiles and asks no more
 He who washed us with His blood
 He who washed us with His blood
 He who washed us with His blood
 Has secured our way to God

5. Let us praise and join the chorus
 Of the saints enthroned on high
 Here they trusted Him before us
 Now their praises fill the sky
 Thou hast washed us with Thy blood
 Thou hast washed us with Thy blood
 Thou hast washed us with Thy blood
 Thou art worthy Lamb of God

King of Kings

Brooke Ligertwood, Jason Ingram, and Scott Ligertwood. Arr. by Dan Galbraith

D/F# G

1. In the dark - ness — we were wait - ing, with - out hope, .
(2.) the king - dom com - ing and to re -

2 A D D/F# G

— with-out light, — till from Heav - en You — came run - ning. There was mer -
- con-cile the lost, — to re - deem — the whole — cre - a - tion You did not —

4 A D D/F# G

- cy in — Your eyes. — To ful - fil — the law — and pro - phets, to a vir -
— des - pise — the cross. — For — e - ven in — Your suf - fring, You saw to —

6 A D D/F# G

- gin came — the Word — from a throne — of end - less glo - ry to a cra -
— the oth - er side. — Know-ing this — was our — sal - va - tion, Je - sus, for —

8 A D D

- dle in — the dirt. — Praise the Fa - ther,
— our sake — You died. —

12 G Bm A^{sus} A D

praise the Son, praise the Spir - it, three in one. God of Glo - ry,

16 G Bm G A D

maj - es - ty, praise for - ev - er to the King of Kings.

20 1. 2. VERSE 3
 Bm G
 2. To re-veal 3. And the morn - ing that - You rose - all of heav

23 A D Bm G
 - en held - its breath - till that stone - was moved - for good, - for the Lamb

25 A D Bm G
 - had con - quered death. - And the dead - rose from - their tombs, - and the an -

27 A D Bm G
 - gels stood - in awe, - for the souls - of all - who'd come - to the Fa -

29 VERSE 4
 A D D/F# G
 - ther are - re - stored. - 4. And the Church - of Christ - was born, - then the Spir
 - it lit - the flame. - Now this Gos - pel truth - of old - shall - not kneel, -

33 A D D/F# G
 - shall - not faint. - By His blood - and in - His Name, - in His free

35 A D D/F# G A
 - dom I - am free, - for the love - of Je - sus Christ - who has res - ur - rect - ed me. -

***Prayer of Adoration**

WE HEAR FROM GOD'S WORD

New Testament Reading—Luke 16:19-31

The Rich Man and Lazarus

“There was a rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate was laid a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man's table. Moreover, even the dogs came and licked his sores. The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham's side. The rich man also died and was buried, and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side. And he called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in anguish in this flame.’ But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner bad things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.’ And he said, ‘Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father's house—for I have five brothers—so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.’ But Abraham said, ‘They have Moses and the Prophets; let them hear them.’ And he said, ‘No, father Abraham, but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’ He said to him, ‘If they do not hear Moses and the Prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead.’”

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—1 Timothy 6:17

As for the rich in this present age, charge them not to be haughty, nor to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly provides us with everything to enjoy.

Silent Confession and Lament

Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace—Ps. 91:14, 16

"Because he holds fast to me in love, I will deliver him. With long life I will satisfy him and show him my salvation."

Leader: People of God, give thanks be to God for holding fast to us in love.

People: Thanks be to God!

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

People: And also with you!

***Song of Rejoicing**

Hallelujah! What a Savior
Trinity Hymnal #246

(Bridge)

Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah, what a Savior!

Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah, what a Savior!

Children's Sermon

WE HUMBLE OURSELVES BEFORE THE LORD

Pastoral Prayer

Tithes and Offerings

Sermon

"Unending Spiritual Blessings, Part 2"

Ephesians 1:3-14

A Series on the Epistle of Ephesians

Rev. Dr. Chris Polski

***Song of Response**

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

Trinity Hymnal #296

***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 pulled pork and sides. 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. **Sr. High is going apple picking** at Eckerts in Belleville **this Saturday.** Go to Church Center for more info and to register or use the QR code to the right.

All Church Work Day: Come lend a hand as we maintain our church grounds and building. Join us on **Sat., Oct. 1st** at 9am. Bring tools to assist you (gloves, shovel, wheel barrow, rake, clippers, cleaning supplies, etc.).

Ladies Connect: TOMORROW at 7:30pm at Mickie Schmidt's home. Join us for fun and fellowship.

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 (9/27) or we meet weekly on Wednesdays at 9am or 6pm to study 1, 2, 3 John.

Volunteers today: Ushers: Oehlerking, Moen, Smith, Broughton. Nursery: Jorgensen, Tharp, B. Cheatham, O'Neal. SS: Harlow, Bava. **Next Sunday:** Ushers: Poe, Linenbroker, Polski, Highmark, Nichols. SS: Hendricks, 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.

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

Children's Ministry families, wear 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 on 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.

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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