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WORSHIPING THE GOD WHO IS KING

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Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Quotes and Reflections

"This is indeed the proper business of the whole life, in which men should daily exercise themselves, to consider the infinite goodness, justice, power and wisdom of God, in this magnificent theatre of God." — John Calvin

"A man can no more diminish God's glory by refusing to worship Him than a lunatic can put out the sun by scribbling the word 'darkness' on the walls of his cell." — C.S. Lewis

"God is the source of all truth, and every discovery is a means of glorifying Him." — Gene Veith

WE READY OURSELVES FOR WORSHIP

Today's text in Ephesians is a doxological benediction.

Doxology is praise expressed in heightened language or song. A benediction is a good word or a good promise from God. Ephesians 3:20-21 is both of these, all at once.

There are a number of other wonderful doxological benedictions in scripture. Let these words that follow comfort and encourage your heart as you come to worship the Lord today!

Romans 11:33-36

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!

"For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been his counselor?" "Or who has given a gift to him that he might be repaid?"

For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.

Philippians 4:19-20

And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus. To our God and Father be glory forever and ever. Amen.

<u>I Timothy 1:17</u>

To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

Jude 24-25

Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory 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.

Song of Preparation

Be Thou My Vision Trinity Hymnal #642 (vs. 1, 2, 4, 5)

*Call to Worship—Psalm 145:1-5

Leader: I will extol you, my God and King, and bless your

name forever and ever.

People: Every day I will bless you and praise your name forever and ever.

Leader: Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised, and his

greatness is unsearchable.

All: One generation shall commend your works to another,

and shall declare your mighty acts.

WE DECLARE THE ETERNAL WORTHINESS OF GOD

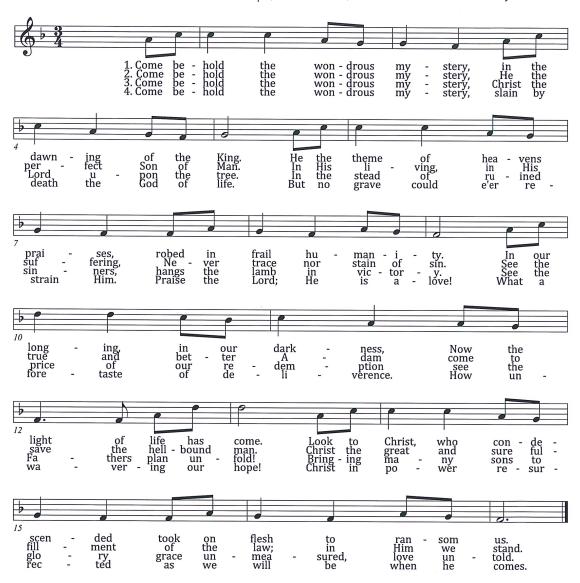
*Songs of Adoration

Holy, Holy, Holy!

Trinity Hymnal #100

Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery

Matt Papa, Matt Boswell, and Michael Bleecker. Arr. by Dan Kreider



*Prayer of Adoration

WE HEAR FROM GOD'S WORD

New Testament Reading—Luke 20:27-38

Sadducees Ask About the Resurrection

There came to him some Sadducees, those who deny that there is a resurrection, and they asked him a question, saying, "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, having a wife but no children, the man must take the widow and raise up offspring for his brother. Now there were seven brothers. The first took a wife, and died without children. And the second and the third took her, and likewise all seven left no children and died. Afterward the woman also died. In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had her as wife."

And Jesus said to them, "The sons of this age marry and are given in marriage, but those who are considered worthy to attain to that age and to the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage, for they cannot die anymore, because they are equal to angels and are sons of God, being sons of the resurrection. But that the dead are raised, even Moses showed, in the passage about the bush, where he calls the Lord the God of Abraham and the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob. Now he is not God of the dead, but of the living, for all live to him.

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—Psalm 130:1-2

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord! O Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy!

Silent Confession and Lament

*Song of Lament

From the Depths of Woe (Psalm 130)

Words by Martin Luther. Music by Christopher Miner



Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace—Psalm 130:3-4

If you, Lord, kept a record of sins, Lord, who could stand? But with you there is forgiveness, so that we can, with reverence, serve you.

Leader: People of God, give thanks to God for the hope He

gives us through His grace.

People: Thanks be to God!

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

People: And also with you!

*Song of Rejoicing

From the Depths of Woe (Psalm 130)

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tience.

- 4. What though I wait the live-long night,
 And till the dawn appeareth,
 My heart still trusteth in his might;
 It doubteth not nor feareth;
 Do thus, O ye of Israel's seed,
 Ye of the Spirit born indeed;
 And wait till God appeareth. (echo)
 And wait till God appeareth (echo)
- 5. Though great our sins and sore our woes
 His grace much more aboundeth;
 His helping love no limit knows,
 Our upmost need it soundeth.
 Our Shepherd good and true is He,
 Who will at last His Israel free
 From all their sin and sorrow (echo)
 From all their sin and sorrow (echo)
 From all their sin and sorrow (echo)

WE HUMBLE OURSELVES BEFORE THE LORD

Pastoral Prayer

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Song (Ensemble)

Abide with Me

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

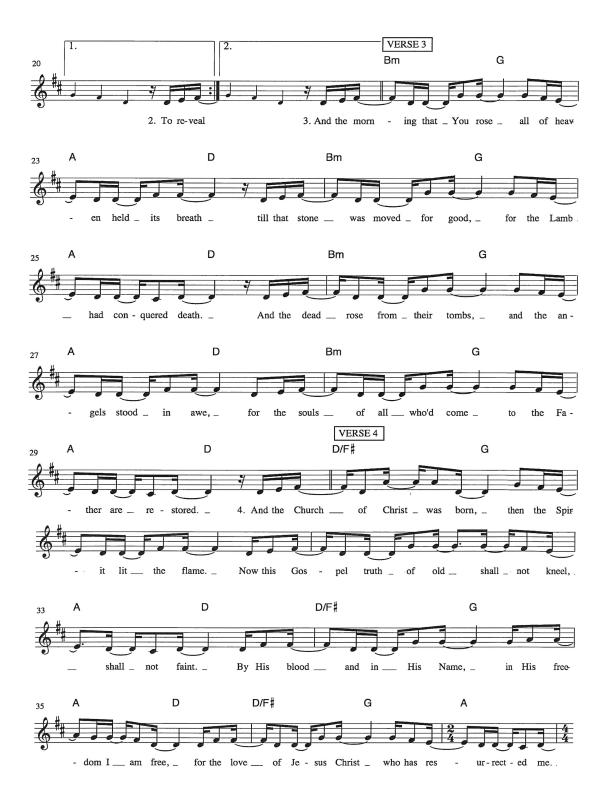
Sermon

"The Life-Altering Wonder of God"
Ephesians 3:20-21
A Series on the Epistle of Ephesians
Rev. Dr. Chris Polski

*Song of Response

King of Kings





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.

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

Communion Song (Ensemble)

The King in All His Beauty

Matt Boswell and Matt Papa

Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Sending Song

Doxology

Trinity Hymnal #731

*Benediction

Adult Sunday School

The Gospel of Matthew (Classroom one)

Ruling Elders Jim Talent and Fielding Poe

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!

Perspectives on Parenting (Classroom two)

Rev. Dr. Chris Polski

Parenting is one of the most difficult and yet, rewarding experiences in our lives. But how do we navigate the complexities we face at each different stage of the journey? Join Pastor Polski for this Sunday School class as he leads conversations on, and explores biblical teachings related to issues in parenting. Please note that this class isn't just for parents of young children, it's for anyone and everyone who ever has been, is now, or who hopes to be a parent someday since an intergenerational and multi-perspectival dialogue on parenting is essential to developing a context for wisdom and discernment in our calling as parents.

Adult Choir (Sanctuary)

Katie Polski, Director of Music Ministries

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 BBQ from Dalie's. Adult-\$8, Children-\$4. **Deadline to register is Tue. at 3pm.** 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. Make plans to attend Jr. High Ikea Scavenger Hunt on 11/11 and Sr. High Friendsgiving on 11/19.

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 (11/8) or we meet weekly on Wednesdays at 9am or 6pm to study 1, 2, 3 John.

Volunteers today: Ushers: S. Thomason, Younger, Standerfer, Kocherl. Nursery: Waldron, Inions, Schlitt, Bava. SS: Highmark, Bava. **Next Sunday**: Oehlerking, Moen, Smith, Broughton. Nursery: Schmidt, Talent, M. Cheatham, Younger, Ridenhour. SS: Bava, Nichols.

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. Only two more weeks for this semester.

Men's Breakfast: Nov. 19th at 9am. RSVP to Kyle Roberts or on Church Center.

Christmas Craft Party: Sat., Dec. 3rd at 9am. Kids ages 4yrs to 5th grade will make gifts to take home, enjoy singing, a special Christmas story, and lunch. Space is limited. Registration is open on Church Cetner or our website. Bring your friends!

Trinity's annual **Christmas Concert** is Sun., Dec. 18th at 6:30pm (doors open at 6pm). This year's concert, The Weary World Rejoices, will begin with a prelude by W. Mark Akin, classical guitarist. Bring your friends and family!

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:



THANKSGIVING WEEK

Make plans to join us on Wed., Nov. 23rd at 5:30pm for a family friendly service of thanksgiving. We will worship in song, prayer, and with testimonies of God's goodness. It is a tradition to open the floor to anyone who would like to briefly share what they are thankful for and to bring a symbol or item related to their testimony. All ages are welcome to share!

Then come back on Sat., Nov. 26th at 9am to help us decorate the church for Advent and Christmas.

MISSION UPDATE

Restore St. Louis - Fall Workday, November 12th

Restore St. Louis is a ministry that helps the underserved in our city. Every month they offer volunteer opportunities for churches to be the hands of the Lord in serving widows and the elderly, who need work done in and around their homes. This upcoming month, Trinity Youth is volunteering and is inviting anyone at Trinity to join them. We will meet at New City Fellowship in University City (1483 82nd Blvd.) at 8:30am. We are typically done around 12pm.

If you plan on attending, please email Pablo (pablotrosales@gmail.com). It will be helpful to have an accurate headcount.

Please be advised that this work typically involves manual labor. This fall, we will be most likely cleaning up leaves, but an occasional ramp construction, or door installation, has happened.

Robinson Elementary Food Pantry - November 21st

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.

Ministering to the Sexually Broken

Last Sunday we welcomed FirstLight ministries during our ministry moment at the beginning of our service. 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, consider contacting the pastors via email, text, or through the confidential prayer request section that only they receive, by scanning the QR code:

