



TRINITY CHURCH

— KIRKWOOD —

2 CORINTHIANS 4:5

February 5, 2023

WORSHIPING THE GOD WHO IS WORTHY OF OUR LOVE

Liturgist: Rev. Pablo Rosales

Scripture Reader: Peg Nichols

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

WE READY OURSELVES FOR WORSHIP

Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers a multitude of sins.

— 1 Peter 4:8

“In sharp contrast with our culture, the Bible teaches that the essence of marriage is a sacrificial commitment to the good of the other. That means that love is more fundamentally action than emotion.” — Tim Keller

“We [should not] make the mistake of thinking that marriage will provide the ultimate satisfaction for which we all hunger. To assume so would be to be guilty of blasphemy. Only God satisfies the hungry heart. Marriage is but one of the channels He uses to enable us to taste how deeply satisfying His thirst-quenching grace can be.” — Sinclair B. Ferguson

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An excerpt from "Christian Marriage's Surprising Reflection of the Gospel"

by Erik Raymond at tgc.com, October 21, 2014

It is in the LOVE: God shows his love...

God displays his love, that is, he puts it on display, he broadcasts it. How does he do this? He does it through the gospel. And God does this in two ways, through Jesus the husband and the church the bride.

Jesus is the perfect Son of God. He has never sinned for even a moment. He is the One whom has beheld the face of his Father throughout all eternity. He perfectly reflects the effulgent glory of God (Heb. 1:1-3). It is he who comes to live, die, resurrect, and reign.

But for whom does he do this? He does it for his bride. However, she is not all dolled up in gowns of good deeds but in the shoddy rags of unrighteousness. In this very context we learn much about who Jesus died for by her description, they are: "weak" "ungodly" "sinners" "enemies" (Rom. 5:6, 8, 10 respectively).

It is much like DA Carson has said, "God's love is staggering not because the world is so big but because it is so bad." (my paraphrase of his thought)

Christian marriage then reflects the gospel in that a husband and wife love each other, even though they are imperfect, because God has shown this love to each of them. They are motivated by grace to love one another.

Song of Preparation

My Jesus, I Love Thee
Trinity Hymnal #648

Call to Worship—Psalm 100:1-4

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!

People: Serve the Lord with gladness!

Leader: Come into his presence with singing! Know that the Lord, he is God!

People: It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Leader: Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise!

All: We will give thanks to him and bless his name!

WE DECLARE THE ETERNAL WORTHINESS OF GOD

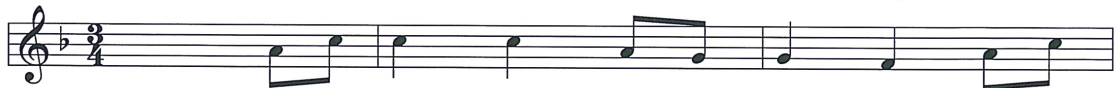
***Songs of Adoration**

O Worship the King
Trinity Hymnal #2

*Songs of Adoration

Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery

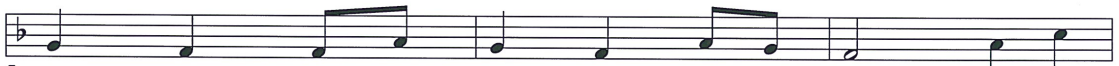
Words and Music by Matt Papa, Matt Boswell, and Michael Bleecker



1. Come be - hold the won - drous my - stery, in the
 2. Come be - hold the won - drous my - stery, He the
 3. Come be - hold the won - drous my - stery, Christ the
 4. Come be - hold the won - drous my - stery, slain by



4
 dawn - ing of the King. He the theme of hea - vens
 per - fect u - Son of the Man. In His li - ving, in His
 Lord death the - pon the of tree. In the stead of ru - ined re -
 death the - pon God of life. But no grave could e'er re -



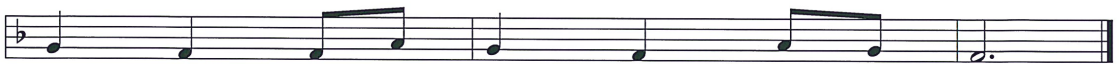
7
 prai - ses, robed in frail hu - man - i - ty. In our
 suf - fering, Ne - ver trace nor stain of sin. See the
 sin - ners, hangs the lamb; He in vic - tor - y. See the
 strain Him. Praise the the Lord; He is a - love! What a



10
 long - ing, in our dark - ness, Now the
 true and of bet - ter A - dam come to
 price our re - de - dem - ption see the
 fore - taste of de - li - verence. How un -



12
 light of life has come. Look to Christ, who con - de -
 save the hell - bound man. Christ the great and sure - ful -
 Fa - ry plan un - fold! Bring - ing ma - ny sons to
 wa - ver - ing our hope! Christ in po - wer re - sur -



15
 scen - ded took on flesh to ran - som us.
 fill - ment of the law; to in Him we stand.
 glo - ry grace the un - mea - sured, love we un - told.
 rec - ted as we will - be when he comes.

*Prayer of Adoration

WE HEAR FROM GOD'S WORD

New Testament Reading—Matthew 5:13-20

Salt and Light

“You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people's feet.

“You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

“Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. For truly, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law until all is accomplished. Therefore whoever relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

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—Isaiah 58:6-7

Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of wickedness, to undo the straps of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? Is it not to share your bread with the hungry and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover him, and not to hide yourself from your own flesh?

Silent Confession and Lament

WE ENCOUNTER AND REJOICE IN THE AMAZING GRACE OF GOD

Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace—Exodus 34:6-7

The Lord, the Lord, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness, keeping steadfast love for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin.

Leader: People of God, give thanks to God for his grace and mercy!

People: Thanks be to God!

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

People: And also with you!

*Song of Rejoicing

Hold to God's Unchanging Hand

Jennie Wilson. Arr. by Mason Brown

Country Gospel shuffle ♩ = 75

mp Band in; Light groove
16th shuffle

1 Verse

Time is filled with swift tran -

4

8

2 Chorus *mf*

12

15

3 Verse *mp*

19

23 **D** **F#7** **Bm G** **D/A** **A7** **D**
 if by earth-ly friends for - sa - ken, still more close-ly to - Him cling.

41 **D/A** **A7** **D** **D**
 Co-vet not_ this world's vain ri-ches,

mf Band building
 45 **Bm** **D** **F#7** **Bm G**
 that so-ra - pid-ly de - cay; seek to gain the hea-ven-ly trea - sures,

49 **D/A** **A7** **D** **D**
 they are ne - ver gon-na pass a - way. Hold to His hand,

WE HUMBLE OURSELVES BEFORE THE LORD

Pastoral Prayer

Tithes and Offerings

*(Children's Church meets for 4yr to 2nd grade
with the exception of the 5th Sunday of the month)*

Sermon

"Submission and Love in Christian Marriage - Part 1 "

Ephesians 5:21-33

Rev. Dr. Chris Polski

*Song of Response

The Love of Christ Is Rich and Free

Words by William Gadsby. Music by Sandra McCracken

♩ = 75

VERSE 1

C C^{2(no3)} C F^{2(no3)} G^{sus}

1. The love of Christ is rich and free, fixed on His own e - ter - nal -

4 C C^{2(no3)} C F^{2(no3)} G^{sus} C

-ly. Nor earth nor _ hell _ can it re - move, long as He lives His own He'll love.

VERSE 2

9 C C^{2(no3)} C F^{2(no3)} G^{sus} C

2. His lov - ing heart en - gaged to _ be their ev - er - last - ing sur - e - ty. 'Twas love that

14 G/C C F^{2(no3)} G^{sus} C

_ took their cause in hand, and love main - tains it to the end. Love

CHORUS

18 Fmaj⁷ G^{sus} C Fmaj⁷ G^{sus} C

can - not from its post with - draw. Nor death, nor hell, nor sin, nor law can

22 Fmaj⁷ G^{sus} Am⁷ F² 2nd time to Coda Φ G^{sus} G

turn the sure - ty's heart a - way. He'll love His own to end - less days. 3. Love has re -

VERSE 3

27 C C^{2sus} C F^{2(no3)} G^{sus} C

-deemed His sheep with blood, and love will bring them safe to God. Love calls them

31 C^{2(no3)} C F^{2(no3)} G^{sus} C D.S. al Coda

all from death to life, and love will finish all their — strife. Love

INSTRUMENTAL

35 Coda G^{sus} C G/B C F^{2(no3)} G^{sus} C

VERSE 4

40 F^{2(no3)} G^{sus} C C C^{2(no3)}

4. At death be - yond — the — grave He'll .

44 C Fmaj⁷ G^{sus} C

— love. In end-less bliss His own shall prove the blaz - ing — glo - ry of that

48 F^{2(no3)} G^{sus}

love — which nev - er could from them re -

50 Am⁷ F^{2(no3)} G^{sus} G C C

-move, — which nev - er could from them re - move.

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. 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 in the clear. The bread is gluten and nut free)

Communion Song (Ensemble)

Feast on His Love

Words by William Gadsby. Music by Jess and Annie Alldredge

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday School for all ages meets today. See the next page for temporary room changes due to repairs to the building.

Children's Church is available for ages 4yrs to 2nd grade on the 1st-4th Sundays of each month during the sermon. We are temporarily meeting in the lower level youth area.

Trinity ladies, join us for bible study and prayer. Two Tuesday evenings a month a group meets in Melissa Jorgensen's home to discuss the Book of Ecclesiastes (next gathering: **2/7**). We also meet weekly on Wed. either at 9am or 6pm to study the Book of Judges.

Men's Bible Study meets Wednesday at 6pm.

Volunteers today: Ushers: Oehlerking, Moen, Smith, Broughton. Nursery: Garner, Talent, Petty, Schlitt. SS: Shelton, Bava. Children's Church: Doiron, J. Standerfer. **Next Sunday:** Ushers: Roberts, Maglione, Wong, Alexander. Nursery: Poe, Nichols, K. Petty, Williamson. SS: Mitchell, Broughton. CC: Jackson, Linenbroker.

We could use a few more **volunteers for the usher team, nursery, ACTION children's activities, Sunday snacks, and Sunday coffee.** See Amy Mitchell for help signing up.

You can find an **updated Sunday snack schedule** in your weekly email. Please consider signing up for an upcoming Sunday.

ACTION (All Church Things In One Night) meets WED. from 6-7:15pm. There is something for everyone: nursery, children's activities, games, lessons, and choir, women's and men's bible studies, Jr. High youth. We will not be providing dinner dinner this semester.

You are invited to special **concert with Sandra McCracken** on Friday, Feb. 24, 7:30pm, at Central Presbyterian Church. Sandra's music has been known to many over the past 20 years, but her recent albums like Psalms (2015), God's Highway (2017), Light in the Canyon (2022), and her recent book Send Out Your Light (2021) has brought her work to even wider audiences. Tickets and more info: www.centralpres.com

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:](#)



SAVE THE DATE

Here are a few events coming in the next several months: Youth Group Super Bowl Party-Feb. 12, 5:30-8:30pm at the Schmidt's, Family Movie Night-Feb. 24th at 6pm, Youth Group Mystery Event, Mar. 3rd at West County Mall, Trivia Night, Mar. 31, 6:30-9pm, Good Friday Service-Apr. 7 at 7pm, Easter Sunrise Service-Apr. 9 at 7am, Easter Morning Worship-Apr. 9 at 9:30am

SUNDAY SCHOOL

While the building is undergoing repairs we need to temporarily move our Sunday school classes. Please note the new locations below:

Adult Sunday School - Sanctuary

Christian Forgiveness

Do you struggle to forgive? Do you struggle to ask for forgiveness even when you know that you have wronged another person? Do you have difficulty knowing when and how and even whether you can trust a person that has hurt you? If any of these things are true for you, join Pastor Polski for a four-week exploration of the topic of Christian Forgiveness beginning on Sunday, January 15 and running through January 29. If any are interested, you can pick up the new book called "Forgive" by Tim Keller as some of the ideas in this book will recur in our class.

Adult Choir - Children's Church rooms (near rear entrance)

All are welcome to join our adult choir this semester which will meet during the Sunday School hour from February 5th through April 2nd. Our choir will sing three times during the Sunday morning services this semester, including Easter Sunday. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to Katie Polski.

Jr. & Sr. High Students - Fireplace Room

4th-5th Grade - Sr. High (lower level)

1st-3rd Grade - Jr. High (lower level)

Pre K/Kindergarten - Current toddler nursery (next to the kitchen)

Nursery - Current infant nursery (across from the kitchen)

MISSION UPDATE

Crates for Ukraine – Winter Crates

Last year, Trinity Church led an initiative to get necessary supplies into the hands of the church in Ukraine. In partnership with other churches, we were responsible for getting 24 crates to Ukraine. Our very own, Pastor Chris, flew 6 crates into Poland, which were then transported over the border into Ukraine. These supplies were essential for the ministry of the church in Ukraine. Church members carried these supplies to the front lines and provided aid to many who have suffered as a result of the war.

With the winter is setting in quickly a new list of needs have arisen. Our mission's committee is spearheading round 2 of Crates for Ukraine. In partnership with our presbytery and other churches we will collect, pack, and transport, supplies to a warehouse in Chattanooga, TN. They will then be shipped via a carrier transport setup by MTW-Ukraine.

Please take a look at the list found here:



You can physically go to the store and purchase these specific items, or you can purchase them from the Amazon lists we create and have them shipped to our church here:



PLEASE NOTE – The items requested are specific. Only purchase what is on the list; i.e.- CAT tourniquets must be CAT tourniquets as off-brands will fail during use.

Volunteers will be helpful when its time for packing. Please see Becky Givens for details.

Deadline for supplies: Last week of February.

Mark your calendars – May 20th - BBQ with Oasis International

Oasis is a ministry that comes alongside new arrivals to this country to help them acclimate to a new land, people, and cultures. They provide resources and material goods to families in order to reflect the love that God has for all his image bearers. They are constantly looking to deepen relationships with refugees and immigrants in order to find open doors for sharing what we all need, the reconciliation of our broken relationship with God.

This BBQ serves to strengthen the relationship that Oasis has with this community. At the same time, it is a unique opportunity for us to create and develop relationships with people who are very different from us, all while enjoying a Arts and Crafts, a performance from Kinetic Tapestry (A Circus and Performing Arts Studio in St. Louis), Grilled Burgers and Hot Dogs. Sign up to volunteer here:



Please bring the whole family for this event. Non-volunteers can arrive around 11am.
Location: Oasis International • 5035 Gravois Ave • St. Louis, MO 63116

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.



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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