



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 SHEPHERDS US THROUGH CHALLENGING TIMES

Liturgist: Rev. Pablo Rosales

Scripture Reader: Lyn Moffitt

Pastoral Prayer: Michael Jorgensen, Ruling Elder

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Quotes and Reflections

And I will establish my covenant between me and you and your offspring after you throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you. — Genesis 17:7

Therefore remember that at one time you Gentiles in the flesh, called “the uncircumcision” by what is called the circumcision, which is made in the flesh by hands— remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ.

— Ephesians 2:11-13

"The covenant is an expression of God's will, not man's, and man must listen to its terms, trust God that they are holy and just and good, and order his life accordingly." — J. Gresham Machen

"The bond of the covenant is able to bear the weight of the believer's heaviest burden." — William Plummer

WE READY OURSELVES FOR WORSHIP

Abridged from "Covenant" by Michael Horton, Nov. 1, 2011, Ligonier.org

Anyone who is employed or has a mortgage, credit card, or car is familiar with contracts — and the "blessings" and "curses" that they impose. Not all legal agreements are the same, of course. A contract differs significantly from a last will and testament, which can make you a beneficiary of someone else's estate. You benefit not by a "work-for-hire" arrangement or a payment program but by a gift.

The covenant of redemption is the agreement of the Father, Son, and Spirit from all eternity to elect, redeem, and call a people, with the Son as the Mediator (John 6:39–44; 10; 17:1–5, 9–11; Rom. 8:28–31). Adam was made the federal head of the human race in the covenant of works, and Jesus Christ is the federal head of His new humanity in the covenant of grace, which includes believers and their children. In Adam, we inherit guilt and corruption, leading to death, and in Christ, we inherit justification and new birth, leading to everlasting life (Rom. 5:12–21).

The background of biblical covenants is international politics. The most obvious parallel was the treaty that a great king (suzerain) would impose upon a lesser king (vassal) on the basis of having liberated him from an invading army. Obviously, the vassal was in no position to negotiate the treaty but simply accepted its terms (stipulations), as well as the suzerain's pledge of support for obedience and threat of destruction for disobedience (sanctions).

We see this pattern clearly in the relationship God established with the human race in Adam. As God's image-bearer and vassal, Adam was promised the right to everlasting blessing (the Tree of Life) for himself and his posterity if he fulfilled his trial and was threatened with death for treason. Just as a king is the federal head of his kingdom, Adam was the federal head of the whole human race, and when he broke this covenant, we fell with him under the curse of guilt, corruption, and death.

However, from Genesis 3:15 on, God's surprising announcement of the gospel unfolds in history until He fulfills His promise in the person and work of Jesus Christ. Our "last Adam," Jesus fulfills the trial and wins for His posterity the right to eat from the Tree of Life. With His evangelical promise in Genesis 3:15, God established a covenant of grace no longer on the basis of law but of promise, and He established a church that "began to call upon the name of the LORD." (Gen. 4:26).

Song of Preparation

Oh How I Love Jesus

Words by Frederick Whitfield. Music: Traditional American Melody

VERSE

D D/F# A D Em/D



1. There is a name — I love to hear, I love to sing — its worth; — It
2. It tells me of — a Sav-our's love, who died to set — me free; — It
3. It tells me what — my Fa-ther hath in store for ev - 'ry day — and,
4. It tells of One — whose lov - ing heart can feel my deep - est woe, — who

CHORUS

6 D D/F# G D/A A7 D D



sounds like mu - sic in my ear, the sweet - est name on earth. — O, how I love
tells me of — His pre - cious blood, the sin - ner's per - fect plea. —
tho' I tread — a dark - some path, yields sun - shine all the way. —
in each sor - row bears a part that none — can bear be - low. —

11 D/F# A D Em/D D



Je - sus! O, how I love Je - sus! — O, how I love

15 D/F# G D/A A7 D



Je - sus, be - cause — He first loved me! —

Call to Worship—Psalm 66 (selected)

Leader: Shout for joy to God, all the earth; sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise!

People: Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! So great is your power that your enemies come cringing to you."

Leader: "All the earth worships you and sings praises to you; they sing praises to your name." Selah

People: Come and see what God has done: He is awesome in his deeds toward the children of man.

All: Bless our God, O peoples; let the sound of his praise be heard.

WE DECLARE THE ETERNAL WORTHINESS OF GOD

***Songs of Adoration**

Holy, Holy, Holy

Trinity Hymnal #100

10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)

Words and Music by Keith Getty and Stuart Townend

Chorus

**Bless the Lord O my soul, O my soul
Worship His holy name
Sing like never before, O my soul
I'll worship Your holy name**

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning
It's time to sing Your song again
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me
Let me be singing when the evening comes

(Chorus)

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger
Your name is great and Your heart is kind
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find

(Chorus)

And on that day when my strength is failing
The end draws near and my time has come
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending
Ten thousand years and then forevermore

(Chorus)

Lord, I'll worship Your holy name

***Prayer of Adoration**

WE HEAR FROM GOD'S WORD

New Testament Reading—John 14:15-21

Jesus Promises the Holy Spirit

“If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you.

“I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself 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—1 Peter 3:13-15

Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is good? But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you.

Silent Confession and Lament

WE ENCOUNTER AND REJOICE IN THE AMAZING GRACE OF GOD

Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace—1 Peter 3:18

For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit.

Leader: People of God, give thanks to God for making us alive
in the Spirit!

People: Thanks be to God!

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

People: And also with you!

***Song of Pardon**

Glory Be/Agnus Dei

Music by Dave Phelps and Hope College Worship Team

Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world
Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world
Have mercy on us, alleluia. Have mercy on us, alleluia
Have mercy on us

Glory be to the Father, Amen
Glory be to the Son, Amen
Glory be to the Spirit, Amen, amen

Son of God, set me free from all that I own
Son of God, capture me and make me Your own
Have mercy on us, alleluia. Have mercy on us, alleluia
Have mercy on us

Children's Sermon

WE HUMBLE OURSELVES BEFORE THE LORD

Pastoral Prayer

Tithes and Offerings

(Children's Church meets for 4yr to 2nd grade in room 106)

Sermon

"The Lord Keeps Covenant"

A Series on the Book of Deuteronomy

Deuteronomy 2:1-25

Rev. Dr. Chris Polski

Song of Response

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Trinity Hymnal #32

***Benediction**

UPCOMING EVENTS

No Sunday school today. Classes will resume next Sunday.

Women's Bible Studies: Two Tues. a month a group meets in the evenings to discuss Psalm 23 (next gathering: 5/23). The Wed. study is on hiatus.

Volunteers today: Ushers: Schaffer, Schlitt, T. Thomason, Kocher. Nursery: Halls, Bava, L. Polski, M. Kocher. CC: Jackson, M. Roberts. **Next Sunday:** Ushers: S. Thomason, Heintz, D. Standerfer, Younger. Nursery: Reynolds, McCall, Josie Standerfer, Broughton, J. Petty. SS: Schmidt, D. Nichols. CC: K. Standerfer, Inion.

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

Men's Breakfast: Sat., Jun. 10 from 8-9:30am. RSVP to Kyle Roberts or use the QR code to the right.

Ladies Connect: Mon., May 22 at 7:30pm at Mickie Schmidt's.

Make plans to join us for our **Summer Discussion Series** events from 6-7:30pm. More details will follow, but here are the topics and dates: June 7- Transgenderism and Gender Dysphoria, June 29 (*adjusted date from original*)- Christianity, Politics and Patriotism, Aug. 2- Disagreeing Biblically.

Ladies, we are excited to announce that we have an overnight **retreat coming** the evening of Aug. 11- the afternoon of Aug. 12. Registration will open next week (keep an eye out for an email with more details), but make sure to save the date!

Sr. High Lock-In: May 19-20, **Jr. High Lock-In:** Jun.9-10 (friends encouraged to both). SH, be sure to RSVP for the **SH Retreat** on July 7-9 by Jun. 11.

Children nursery-5th grade and their families, join us for **Summer Kickoff on Sat., Jun. 10** from 3:30-7pm for inflatables, activities, crafts, music, and fun! A hot dog dinner will be served at 5pm. Register by using the QR code to the right.

If you would like to receive the monthly **Children's Ministry Newsletter**, please send your email address to:
melissa.kocher@trinitychurchkirkwood.org.

If you do not receive our **weekly email updates** on Tuesday mornings, please send your email address to
amy.mitchell@trinitychurchkirkwood.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:
Paul.Schaffer@trinitychurchkirkwood.org,

Greeters: James Broughton
(jlbroughton12@gmail.com), **Nursery:**
Alyssa Hall (alyssaruth120@gmail.com).

Children's Ministry: Melissa Kocker
(Melissa.Kocher@trinitychurchkirkwood.org)

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(S)

As summer approaches we want to give you a few dates to add to your calendar:

Oasis BBQ- May 20

Summer Discussion Series-(dates to the left)

Children's Ministry Summer Kickoff-
Jun. 10

Bike Night- Jun. 21

Lawn Games Night- July 5

Summer Splash- July 19

Prayer & Praise- Aug. 6

Women's Retreat- Aug 11-12

MISSIONS UPDATE

A lot happening this week!!! Don't miss it!

THIS Saturday – 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

Robinson Elementary Food Pantry – May 18th

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.

Registration for the last remaining date of the school year is currently full, please mark the date on your calendar in order to pray for our volunteers. Pray for the mission of God in Kirkwood.

Coffee on Glenwood – This Friday, May 19th

Our monthly Coffee ministry is this upcoming Friday morning. If you want to get up early, drink coffee, smile and wave, and pray for random people, who may or may not know the Lamb of God, scan this QR code:



If you are not able to attend, please mark the date on your calendar in order to pray for our volunteers. Pray for the mission of God in Kirkwood.

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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