

TURN,
O Lord,
DELIVER MY LIFE;
SAVE ME
FOR THE SAKE OF YOUR

STEADFAST
love

TRINITY CHURCH

— KIRKWOOD —

June 25, 2023

WORSHIPING THE GOD WHO DELIVERS OUR LIFE

(Our overflow room is located off of the hallway near the kitchen.)

Liturgist: Rev. Pablo Rosales

Scripture Reader: Sydney Segen

Pastoral Prayer: Ron Ridderbos, Ruling Elder

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Quotes and Reflections

"Either He bore all our sins, or none; and He either saves us once for all, or not. Pain insists upon being attended to. God whispers to us in our pleasures, speaks in our consciences, but shouts in our pains. It is his megaphone to rouse a deaf world." — C.S. Lewis

"We do not usually learn that God is all we need until we reach that point where he is all that we have." — Vance Havner

"(In this life) There is no end to grief, that's how I know, and why I need to know, that there is no end to love." — Bono, U2

The Psalms contain an astonishing mixture of human emotions ranging from grief to utter joy. Psalm 6 is on those Psalms that contain both ends of this spectrum beginning with the depths of despair and ascending into the heights of deliverance.

Sometimes our lives follow this arc as we move from moments in which God seems distant or angry or even absent into moments of extraordinary personal communion and intimacy with him. When this occurs, we can be exceedingly grateful.

But, sometimes, we find ourselves groping around for a long time in the depths and wonder when or if God will ever deliver us.

I spoke with a friend this week who is fighting through one of these seasons, wondering if God is listening and straining to understand why He would allow the suffering that this individual and their family are experiencing.

The psalmist knows experiences like this as well and wrote about one of these seasons in Psalm 88. Among its most poignant lines are these: O Lord, why do you cast my soul away? Why do you hide your face from me?

As a pastor, I wish I knew the answer to this question. But I do not. Only God does. The reality is that sometimes it feels as if we have been left alone by God, though we know we have not.

All I can say about moments like these is that God is doing something to draw us in. C.S. Lewis speculated on this as he walked through his own grief when he said:

“Pain insists upon being attended to. God whispers to us in our pleasures, speaks in our consciences, but shouts in our pains. It is his megaphone to rouse a deaf world.”

As we ponder Psalm 6 today, we do it in the context of Psalm 88 and we note that in both places the psalmist said...O Lord! May God be our Lord, whatever we face today.

Song of Preparation

Dear Refuge of My Weary Soul

Words by Anne Steele. Music by Kevin Twit

1. Dear re - fuge of my wear - y soul, On
 oh! When gloo - my doubts pre - vail, I
 Thou not bid me seek Thy face, And
 mer - cy seat is o - pen still, Here

5 Thee when sor - rows — rise On Thee when waves of
 fear to call — Thee — mine The springs of com - fort
 shall I seek in — vain? And can of the ear
 let my soul re - treat With hum - ble hope at -

8 trou - ble roll, My fain - ting hope re - lies To
 seem to fail, And all my hopes de - cline No
 sov - ereign grace, Be deaf when I com - plain? Thy
 tend Thy will, And wait be - neath Thy — feet

12 Thee I tell each ri - sing grief, For
 gra - cious the God where of shall I flee? Thou
 still the mour - ner's ear of I - ereign grace, At
 mer - cy seat is o - pen still, Here

15 Thou a - lone canst hea - I Thy Word can bring a
 art my on - ly tru - st. And still my soul would
 tends the mour - ner's pray - er. Oh may I ev - er
 let my soul re - treat - t With hum - ble hope at -

19 sweet re - lief, For eve - ry pain I feel 2. But
 cleave to Thee, Though pro - strate in the dust 3. Hast
 find ac - cess, To To breathe my sor - rows there 4. Thy
 tend Thy will, And wait be - neath Thy — feet

Call to Worship—Psalm 86:4-5; 8-9

Leader: Gladden the soul of your servant, for to you, O Lord,
do I lift up my soul.

**People: For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving, abounding
in steadfast love to all who call upon you.**

Leader: There is none like you among the gods, O Lord, nor
are there any works like yours.

**All: All the nations you have made shall come and worship
before you, O Lord, and shall glorify your name.**

WE DECLARE THE ETERNAL WORTHINESS OF GOD

*Songs of Adoration

Lift High the Name of Jesus

Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty, Fionan de Barra, and Ed Cash



1. Lift high the name of Je - sus, of Je - sus our King. Make
 2. Lift high the name of Je - sus, of Je - sus our Lord. His
 3. Lift high the name of Je - sus, of Je - sus our Light. No



known the pow - er of His grace, The beau - ty of His peace. Re -
 pow'r in us is grea - ter than, is grea - ter than this world. To
 oth - er name on earth can save, can raise a soul to life. He



mem - ber how His mer - cy reached and we cried out to Him. He
 share the rea - son for our hope, to serve with love and grace, that
 o - pens up our eyes to see the har - vest He has grown. We

Refrain



lift - ed us to so - lid ground, to free - dom from our sin.
 all whosee Him shine through us might bring the Fath - er praise. } Oh
 la - bor in His fields of grace as He leads sin - ners home. }



sing my soul and tell all He's done till the earth and hea - vens are



filled with His glo - ry.



2. Lift - ry.
 3. Lift

Is He Worthy

Words and Music by Andrew Peterson and Ben Shive

(Ensemble): Do you feel the world is broken? (Congregation): *We do*
(Ensemble): Do you feel the shadows deepen? (Congregation): *We do*
(Ensemble): But do you know that all the dark won't
stop the light from getting through? (Congregation): *We do*
(Ensemble): Do you wish that you could see it all made new?
(Congregation): *We do*

(Ensemble): Is all creation groaning? (Congregation): *It is*
(Ensemble): Is a new creation coming? (Congregation): *It is*
(Ensemble): Is the glory of the Lord to be the light within our midst?
(Congregation): *It is*
(Ensemble): Is it good that we remind ourselves of this? (Congregation): *It is*

(Chorus: All)

*Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole?
Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll?
The Lion of Judah who conquered the grave
He is David's root and the Lamb who died to ransom the slave
Is He worthy, is He worthy? Of all blessing and honor and glory?
Is He worthy of this? He is.*

(Ensemble): Does the Father truly love us? (Congregation): *He does*
(Ensemble): Does the Spirit move among us? (Congregation): *He does*
(Ensemble): And does Jesus, our Messiah hold forever those He loves?
(Congregation): *He does*
(Ensemble): Does our God intend to dwell again with us?
(Congregation): *He does*

(Chorus: All)

*Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole?
Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll?
The Lion of Judah who conquered the grave
He is David's root and the Lamb who died to ransom the slave
From every people and tribe, every nation and tongue
He has made us a kingdom and priests to God to reign with His Son
Is He worthy, is He worthy? Of all blessing and honor and glory?
Is He worthy of this? He is.
Is He worthy? Is He worthy?
He is. He is*

***Prayer of Adoration**

WE HEAR FROM GOD'S WORD

New Testament Reading—Matthew 10:24-33

Have No Fear

"A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his master. It is enough for the disciple to be like his teacher, and the servant like his master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household.

"So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known. What I tell you in the dark, say in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops. And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows. So everyone who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven, but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny before my Father who is in 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—Romans 6:1-3

What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death?

Silent Confession and Lament

WE ENCOUNTER AND REJOICE IN THE AMAZING GRACE OF GOD

Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace—Rom. 6:5

For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.

Leader: Family of God, give thanks to God for uniting us to Him in the resurrection!

People: Thanks be to God!

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

People: And also with you!

Song of Rejoicing

Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me

Jonny Robinson, Michael Farren, and Rich Thompson. Arr. by Dan Galbraith



What gift of grace is Je sus my Re - deem - er There is no
The night is dark, but I am not for - sak - en. for by my
No fate I dread, I know I am for - giv - en, the fu - ture
With ev - 'ry breath I long to fol - low Je - sus, for he has



more for heav - en now to give. He is my joy. my right - eous - ness and
side the Sav - ior, he will stay. I la - bor on in weak - ness and re -
sure, the price, it has been paid. For Je - sus bled and suf - fered for my
said that he will bring me home. And day by day I know he will re -



free - dom, my stead - fast love, my deep and bound - less peace. To this I
joy - ing, for in my need, His pow - er is dis - played. To this I
par - don, and he was raised to o - ver - throw the grave. To this I
new me un - til I stand with joy be - fore the throne. To this I



hold: my hope is on - ly Je - sus. For my life is whol - ly bound to
hold: my Shep - herd will de - fe - nd me, Through the deep - est val - ly he will
hold: my sin has been de - feat - ted. Je - sus now, and ev - er, is my
hold: my hope is on - ly Je - sus. All the glo - ry ev - er - more to



his. Oh how strange and di - vine, I can sing: all is mine! Yet not
lead. Oh the night has been won and I shall o - ver - come! Yet not
plea. Oh the chains are re - leased, I can sing: I am free! Yet not
him. When the race is com - plete, still my lips shall re - peat: Yet not



I, but through Christ in me.
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WE HUMBLE OURSELVES BEFORE THE LORD

Pastoral Prayer

Tithes and Offerings

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

Offertory Song (Ensemble)

How Long, O Lord, How Long? (Psalm 13)

Words and Music by Matthew Carpenter, Lisa Clow, Brittany born, and David Zimmer

Sermon

"Despair and Deliverance"

Psalm 6

Rev. Dr. Chris Polski

Song of Response

What A Friend We Have In Jesus

Words by Joseph M. Scriven. Music by Charles C. Converse. Arr. by Norton Hall Band

E A E A

5 *1x, 2x: full band*
3x: guitar picking w/ sparse piano E A E B_{sus} B

1. What a friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
 2. Have we tri - als and temp - ta - tions? Is there trou - ble a - ry - where?
 3. Are we weak and heav - y la - den Cum - bered with a load of care?

9 E *E* A B_{sus} B E
G#

What a pri - vi - lege to car - ry eve - ry - thing to God in prayer!
 We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged; Take it to the Lord in prayer.
 Pre - cious Sa - vior, still our re - fuge take it to the Lord in prayer!

13 B *3x: band builds; four in the floor* C#m A E B_{sus} B

O what peace we of - ten for - feit, O what need - less pain we bear,
 Can we find a friend so faith - ful? Who will all our sor - rows share?
 Do your friends de - spise, for - sake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer!

17 E *E* A E B E
G#

All be - cause we do not car - ry Eve - ry - thing to God in prayer.
 Je - sus knows our eve - ry weak - ness; Take it to the Lord in prayer.
 In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a so - lace there.

21 *electric lead* E A E A

*Benediction

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Handing Down the Faith to the Next Generation – Rev. Dr. Chris Polski (Room-110)

This class will address the biblical background for the critically important calling of handing down the faith to our children as well as the current cultural headwinds that make it so difficult. Along the way we will explore the foundational importance of parents, grandparents and the church in making sure that our children are exposed to the whole counsel of God in such a way that it encourages them toward faith and not away from it.

Exodus - Ruling Elders, Fielding Poe and Jim Talent (Fireplace Room)

Moses, the Law, the Egyptian Plagues, the flight from Egypt: the references from Exodus are throughout Scripture. Can we really understand Mount Zion, unless we study to appreciate this experience of Mount Sinai? As our pastors take us through Exodus in their Sunday sermons, we will be doing a verse-by-verse study of the book, *Exodus, a Flight from Slavery*.

Jr. & Sr. High Students - Meet the youth ministry candidate, Mitchell Dixon (Lower level)

Parents come meet Mitchell and his family from 12-12:30 in the adult education area.

Summer Sundays- Drop off in room 106/parents pick up on playground

Trinity kids still have an opportunity to dig into God's Word following Sunday morning worship for six weeks beginning Sunday, June 25th through Sunday, July 30th from 11 am - 12 pm. In a one room schoolhouse format, students will watch a video lesson, sing worship songs, and then head outside to play! Summer Sundays is for children age 3 by July 31, 2022 through incoming 5th grade.

Children will begin in Room 106 and will be dismissed to a parent/guardian from the playground. In case of inclement weather, dismissal will be in Room 106. Please send your child with a water bottle, labeled with their name.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Summer Sunday school classes meet today. Kids ages 3yrs thru 5th grade will meet for a joint special class in room 106. Parents please plan to pick them up on the playground. A list of the adult classes is on the previous page.

Volunteers today: Ushers: Oehlerking, Moen, Broughton, Smith. Nursery: J. Hendricks, C. Waldron, Polski, B. Williamson, G. Goldstein. SS: Mitchell, Oehlerking. CC: Doiron, Polski. **Next Sunday:** Ushers: Roberts, Wong, Maglione, Alexander. Nursery: TBA. CC: Doiron, Roberts.

Make plans to join us for our **Summer Discussion Series** events from 6-7:30pm. There are two evenings left in the series: 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 is now open!** Use the QR code to the right for more details.

Jr. & Sr. High, join us for a night at the Munny on Jun. 28th. Plan to meet at Trinity at 6pm with your bagged dinner. **SH Retreat** on July 7-9. You can use the QR code to the right, then scroll to the event and register. **Sunday Night Ministry this week at Trinity** 5:30-7:30pm (JH & SH).

Children's Ministry families, come hang out with us on **Wednesday, July 5 from 5:30 - 7:30 pm for lawn games!** Families, if you have a favorite lawn game to share, please bring it and show off your skills! You are welcome to bring a picnic dinner. Frozen treats will be provided. Sign up on Church Center or 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.

On Aug. 6, from 6:30-7:30pm we will have an **evening of Praise and Prayer** at the home of Debbie and Duncan Highmark. Space is limited, so sign up soon on Church Center or use the QR code to the right.

Need help hearing? An Apple and Android app named Listen Everywhere by Listen Technologies will allow the same sound coming through the speakers to be sent to your mobile phone and into bluetooth connected devices like headphones or hearing aides. Download the app, connect to Trinity Wifi, and select the first channel and it will start playing.

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:

Summer Discussion Series-(dates to the left)

Youth Night at the Munny- Jun. 28

Lawn Games Night- July 5

Summer Splash- July 19

Prayer & Praise- Aug. 6

Women's Retreat- Aug 11-12

MISSION UPDATE

Ben and Kim Church are here!!

Ben and Kim Church, serving in Kampala, Uganda with Mission to the World, will be in St. Louis for the summer. They safely arrived this week and are currently being hosted by Grace Church in their missionary house in St. Charles. They are here for two reasons:

First, Kim is looking to complete her Master of Nursing program to become a Nurse Practitioner. She began her final clinical assignment yesterday at Care STL clinic in St. Louis City. Kim is also preparing to take her board certification exam, possibly in August. They are very excited for how this additional equipping and qualification will enable her to develop a biblical healthcare ministry within their church and presbytery in Uganda.

Secondly, they are here to report to and connect with you who have been supporting them through your prayers and giving. They have so much that they are excited to share. So, we have invited Ben to preach on July 30th during our worship service. He will be joining us in our series in the Psalms. This is a great opportunity for us to hear from someone who primarily preaches and teaches in a completely different context. (As a side thought, I know that short-term missions trips partner with Ben in Uganda. What say you Trinity? Any interest?)

Meghan Rintoul Update

Meghan has been officially cleared to move to England this summer to serve with Campus Outreach. Meghan will serve in Birmingham, which is the 2nd largest city in England, and Europe's youngest, with over 100,000 college students across several universities. Further, Meghan's work will take the Gospel to the ends of the earth as the University of Birmingham has 35,000 students with 9,000 of those from 150 different countries.

While we are supporting her, she is still shy a few pledges to be fully funded. If you are moved to support her ministry, please reach out to Pablo for more information—
pablo@trinitychurchkirkwood.org

Trinity's Missionaries

Several weeks ago, we commissioned three of our own who are doing missions trips over the summer (Allison Schmidt, Cameron Roberts, and Lily Polski). We made every effort to ensure that all who were at Trinity that day took home a handout with information regarding their trip and prayer requests. I even stood at the door and watched every hand. Just kidding...or am I?

Please continue to pray for them. We can't wait to hear from them at the end of the Summer. If you would like another copy of the handout, please visit the Welcome Desk after the service.

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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