



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 DESERVES OUR HIGHEST PRAISE

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

Liturgist: Matt Pannkuk

Scripture Reader: Jerome Merritt

Pastoral Prayer: Duncan Highmark, Ruling Elder

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Quotes and Reflection

"So shall they put my name upon the people of Israel, and I will bless them."

— Numbers 6:27

"The benediction symbolically places God's own name on the people of Israel as a claim of ownership, which marks them out for holy living." — Josh Philpot

"The name Jehovah carries majesty in it; the name Father carries mercy in it."

— Thomas Watson

Devotional Preparation

Blessed be the Name of the Lord, by Ray Ortland (Thegospelcoalition.org)
7/12/10

“Naked I came from my mother’s womb, and naked shall I return. The Lord gave, and the Lord has taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord.” Job 1:21

Job did not say, “Blessed be the Lord” but “Blessed be the name of the Lord.” At issue in his life was not only his own reverence for God but also the name of the Lord in the world, how God would be thought about and spoken about and felt about. Job was expressing his own trust and also instructing and admonishing all others, including us, who watch him suffer at the Lord’s hand.

“Naked I came from my mother’s womb.” I came into the world with nothing. I’m not entitled to anything. Everything I’ve received has been of grace.

“Naked shall I return.” When I die, I’ll take nothing with me except what’s in my soul. I will cling to nothing in this life except what prepares me to die.

“The Lord gave.” He has been so good to me, so generous. I am astounded at his bounty toward me.

“The Lord has taken away.” Why not? When he gives, he doesn’t give away. He gives on trust. I am a steward, not an owner. And I don’t need to understand more than that. He doesn’t have to consult with me about what he does with his own property.

“Blessed be the name of the Lord.” God has done nothing wrong. He has been good in his giving and in his taking. Self-pity is an uncomprehending response. What’s happening here is, God’s name is being made more obvious in my life. I’m part of a drama, displaying who God really is here in this world of false appearances. That’s the true meaning of my life, and it’s a privilege to be involved. So, I don’t want merely to acquiesce to God; I want to praise God, and I want you to praise him too.

Song of Preparation

Praise The Name of Jesus

Words and Music by Roy Hicks, Jr.

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. It consists of three staves of music. The first staff has a melody starting on a half note C4, followed by quarter notes D4, E4, F4, G4, A4, B4, C5, and D5. Chords C, F, C, F, and C are indicated above the staff. The second staff continues the melody with quarter notes E4, D4, C4, B3, A3, G3, F3, and E3. Chords F, C, F, C, Dm/C, C, F, C/E, G7/D, and C are indicated above the staff. The third staff continues with quarter notes D3, C3, B2, A2, G2, F2, E2, and D2. Chords D7, C/D, D7, G, C, Cmaj7, F, C/G, G7, and C are indicated above the staff. The lyrics are: 'Praise the name of Je - sus, praise the name of Je - sus. He's my Rock, He's my For - tress, He's my De - liv - er - er, in Him will I trust. Praise the name of Je - sus.'

Call to Worship—Psalm 105:1-3

Leader: Oh give thanks to the Lord; call upon his name;

People: We will make known his deeds among the peoples!

Leader: Sing to him, sing praises to him;

People: We will tell of all his wondrous works!

Leader: Glory in his holy name;

All: Let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice!

WE DECLARE THE ETERNAL WORTHINESS OF GOD

*Songs of Adoration

Rejoice, Ye Pure In Heart

Trinity Hymnal #604

Father, Let Your Kingdom Come

Orlando Palmer, Paul Zach, Isaac Wardell, Liz Vice, Latifah Phillips

Hal - le - lu, hal - le - lu - jah, Fa - ther let Your king - dom come

1. May the works — of my hands bring You — joy. May the works
2. May the words — from my mouth speak Your — peace. May the words

— of my hands bring You joy. May the works — of my hands bring You
— from my mouth speak Your peace. May the words — from my mouth speak Your

— joy. May the works — of my hands bring You joy.
— peace. May the words — from my mouth speak Your peace.

You make all things new — You make all things new — in

pla - ces we don't choose — You make all things new. —

***Prayer of Adoration**

WE HEAR FROM GOD'S WORD

New Testament Reading—Matthew 20:1-16

Laborers in the Vineyard

“For the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. And going out about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, and to them he said, ‘You go into the vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give you.’ So they went. Going out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour, he did the same. And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing. And he said to them, ‘Why do you stand here idle all day?’ They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ He said to them, ‘You go into the vineyard too.’ And when evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, ‘Call the laborers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last, up to the first.’ And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius. Now when those hired first came, they thought they would receive more, but each of them also received a denarius. And on receiving it they grumbled at the master of the house, saying, ‘These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.’ But he replied to one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius? Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give to this last worker as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?’ So the last will be first, and the first last.”

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—Exodus 16:1-3

They set out from Elim, and all the congregation of the people of Israel came to the wilderness of Sin, which is between Elim and Sinai, on the fifteenth day of the second month after they had departed from the land of Egypt. And the whole congregation of the people of Israel grumbled against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness, and the people of Israel said to them, "Would that we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the meat pots and ate bread to the full, for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

Silent Confession and Lament

WE ENCOUNTER AND REJOICE IN THE AMAZING GRACE OF GOD

Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace—Psalm 28:6-7

Blessed be the Lord! For he has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy. The Lord is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts, and I am helped.

Leader: Christian, give thanks to God for hearing our pleas for 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

D

Time is filled with swift tran -

Bm D

4 si - tion, naught of earth un-moved can stand; build your hopes on things e -

2 Chorus *mf*

F#7 Bm G D/A A7 D D

8 ter - nal, hold to God's un-chang-ing hand. Hold to His hand,

Bm

12 God's un - chang - ing hand. Hold to His hand, God's un - chang - ing hand.

D F#7 Bm G D/A A7 D

15 Build your hopes on things e - ter - nal, hold to God's un - chang - ing hand. —

3 Verse *mp*

D Bm

19 Trust in Him who will not leave you, what - so - e - ver years may bring;

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,

45 **Bm** **D** **F#7** **Bm G**

mf Band building

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 in room 106)

Offertory Song (Ensemble)

You're Everything to Me

Written by Jim Talent. Music arr. by Steve Harrison

Sermon

"Upholding the Name of the Lord"

Deuteronomy 5:11

Rev. Dr. Chris Polski

***Song of Response**

Holy, Holy, Holy!

Trinity Hymnal #100

***Benediction**

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Adult Sunday School

The Mission of God's People - Rev. Pablo Rosales (Room 111)

The Westminster Shorter Catechism rightly tells us that "Man's chief end is to glorify God and to enjoy him forever." But how do we do that? How do we live our lives in a manner that brings glory to God and enjoyment of who he is? To answer this, we must first answer "who are we and what are we here for?" In this Sunday school, we will seek to answer these questions by looking at scripture and selected chapters from Christopher Wright's book, *The Mission of God's People*.

Turning Points: A Survey of the Most Significant Moments in Church History and Why They Still Matter Part 2- Rev. Dr. Chris Polski (Sanctuary)

It's been over 2000 years since the earthly ministry of Christ concluded and during that time His followers have expanded from being a small sect in Jerusalem to a world-wide movement of billions who have altered the course of human history. What were the most significant events in that process? Who were the key players and what did they believe? How did the church become what it is today and what lessons can we learn as we seek to live out our calling where the Lord has planted us? Please join Pastor Polski during the SS hour as he continues his exploration of these and other fascinating questions by looking at key moments in the history of the Church.

Exodus - Ruling Elders, Fielding Poe and Jim Talent (Room 110)

Moses, the Law, the Egyptian Plagues, the flight from Egypt: these references from Exodus are throughout Scripture. Can we really understand Mount Zion, unless we study to appreciate this experience of Mount Sinai? We will be doing a verse-by-verse study of the book, *Exodus, a Flight from Slavery*.

Adult Choir - Katie Polski, Music Director (Fireplace Room)

Join us for Trinity's adult choir which meets during Sunday school from Sept. 10-Oct. 29. We'll learn pieces that we will sing in worship throughout the semester (including Christmas time). No musical experience necessary; just a heart for worship and a desire to SING.

Jr. & Sr. High Students - Lower level

4th-5th Grade - Room 102

1st-3rd Grade - 106B

Preschool (3yrs by July 31) /Kindergarten - Room 105

Nursery - Room 104

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday school classes for all ages meet today. See previous page for a list of classes and locations.

Sunday snack volunteers needed: See sign up info on the snack table.

Volunteers today: Ushers: Roberts, Wong, Maglione, Alexander. Nursery: J. & S. Hendricks, M. Schmidt, S. O'Neal, D. Moen. SS: Harlow, Hammond. CC: Oehlerking, Inion. **Next Sunday:** Ushers: Schaffer, Schlitt, T. Thomason, Kocher. Nursery: TBA. CC: Doiron, E. Hawley.

Sign up for a Small Group today in the Narthex.

ACTION (All Church Things In One Night) **meets the 1st & 3rd Wed. of each month (10/4).** An optional dinner is available if you register by Tues. at 9am using the QR code to the right. Diner is at 5:30pm, followed by nursery, children's ministry, jr. high, and men's and women's bible study from 6-7:15pm.

Youth Ministry: Jr. High meets weekly on Wed. from 6-7:15 pm. Sr. High meets Sundays from 6-7:30pm. Jr. High Mini Golf-Oct. 13 from 6:30-8pm.

Trinity's first **Mission Conference** will take place Oct. 1st through 8th. On Saturday, Oct. 7 there will be a Missions Fair, followed by a dinner. More information can be found on the next page. Be sure to sign up for the dinner since space is limited.

Ladies Connect- THIS Wed., Sept. 27 at 7:30pm at Mickie Schmidt's.

Men's Bible Study will meet Wed. during ACTION, OR the 2nd & 4th Fri. at 6:30am. Pastor Polski will be leading a study on Daniel. There is a **Women's Bible Study** on Proverbs that meets two Tues. a month at 7pm at Melissa Jorgensen's home (THIS Tues). A study of Luke is held weekly at Trinity at 9am or along side ACTION every-other week at 6pm.

Join us for our Fall children's event--**Flannelpalooza!** Wear your Fall flannel, participate in the chili contest and dinner, roast s'mores, pick a pumpkin, take a hayride, and bring a friend! All are welcome to join us and enter the chili contest! Please bring lawn chairs and picnic blankets. **Registration required by October 8** using the QR code to the right.

Our fall **all church Work Day** will take place on Sat., Oct 21 at 9am. Please plan to join us as we care for the grounds and church building. There will be things to do indoors and out.

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 Kocher (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 we head into the fall, please add these dates to your calendar:

ACTION - 1st & 3rd Wednesdays

Mission Conference- Oct. 1-8

Mission Fair & Dinner- Oct. 7

Flannel Palooza- Oct. 14

Men's Breakfast- Oct. 21

Church Work Day- Oct. 21

Christmas Craft Volunteer Mtg.-
Oct. 29

Christmas Craft Party- Dec. 2

Christmas Concert- Dec. 17

MISSION UPDATE

Our First Mission Conference! — October 1-8

Our Mission Conference will kick off one week from today (**Sunday, October 1st**) during the worship service. This will be followed by a week-long emphasis on God's mission.

Children's books are available at the **Welcome Desk** for families to do a daily devotional, which focuses on God's mission and our mission as His people. You can begin tonight and go beyond the 8th of October. *One per family please.

On **Saturday, October 7th**, beginning at 5:30pm, we will host a Mission Fair in the Narthex. Please arrive promptly and visit the various ministries. Then enjoy dinner from Dailies Smokehouse. **Dinner is limited to 100 persons. Please RSVP here:**



Lastly, on **Sunday, October 8th**, we will culminate with a sermon and joint Sunday School class with one of our MTW missionaries currently serving in Ethiopia, Jason Polk.

If you would like to volunteer, please email Tom Schmidt (schmidt.thomasm@gmail.com)

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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