



TRINITY CHURCH

— KIRKWOOD —

2 CORINTHIANS 4:5

March 17, 2024
Fifth Sunday in Lent

WORSHIPING THE GOD WHO REIGNS OVER US

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

Nursery Volunteers (worship service): Chrissy Inion, Erin Wagberg, Chas Younger, Lily Polski

Liturgist: Dr. Aaron Goldstein

Scripture Reader: Glynn Schlitt

Pastoral Prayer: Ruling Elder, Steve O'Neal

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Quotes and Reflection

"I count myself one of the number of those who write as they learn and learn as they write."
— John Calvin, citing Augustine

"You learn by repetition, repetition, repetition. That's the way to learn the Bible."
— John F. MacArthur

"Sooner or later a busy man learns to write things down. It's the best way to capture things we are apt to forget. 'The strongest memory,' says an old proverb, 'is weaker than the palest ink.'" — Anonymous

"Memory is the treasury and guardian of all things." — M. Tullius Cicero

"Reading maketh a full man, conference a ready man, and writing an exact man."
— Francis Bacon

"In practical terms, no-one can be 'sanctified' or set apart for the Lord's use without learning to think God's thoughts after him, without learning to live in conformity with the 'word' he has graciously given." — D. A. Carson

"That God has written his law on our hearts by creation means that we have some knowledge of it; when he writes his law on our hearts in the new creation he also gives us a love for it and the power to obey it." — John Stott

Devotional Preparation

“Scripture Is Always Available. But Is It in Your Heart?” – Andy Davis

Excerpts from a his recent book review, found here:



My journey of memorizing the Bible began on a bench in Kenya as I waited for a bus to come. I decided to begin memorizing the book of Ephesians to pass the time. Little did I know that first step would influence the course of my life and ministry for years to come.

Scripture memory has brought a river of blessing into my life. It feeds my soul, strengthens my pastoral ministry, and empowers my preaching. It buttresses my counseling with the truths of God’s Word, arms me for battle against sin, and equips me to rescue perishing souls through evangelism. This discipline has been such a rewarding labor that I’ve sought for years to persuade people that making a similar investment in their lives will pay eternal dividends.

Many people say they’re too busy to memorize Scripture. In reality, most of us have time, we just don’t consistently use it to renew our minds with God’s perfect Word. As Marshall points out, “You are already renewing your mind with something. Whatever that something is will shape your thought processes and decision making” (108). We mean well, but the busyness of life presents challenges to spiritual disciplines.

Most evangelicals agree that Scripture is perfect, powerful, and beautiful. We say we love it, but surveys show many Christians don’t know what it says.

It may be that having easy access to the Bible has enabled people to put off learning what it says. As Marshall notes, “If anyone in history has not had to rely on their memory for what the Scriptures say, it’s us” (23). We’ve got apps, websites that provide the text in multiple translations, and instantaneous access to commentaries and articles to explain the hard passages. There’s no shortage of access to the information Scripture provides. What we need, though, is heart transformation that only comes by traveling deeply into the text.

Not only can Scripture memory help us learn to hate sin, but it’s also effective for knowing Christ’s voice as our Good Shepherd. It helps us to love God more deeply and passionately, keeping us steadfast in trials and temptations. Marshall notes she hasn’t always loved God as she should, yet “meditating on Scripture benefits our lagging emotions. Fixing our gaze on the Lord will tell our hearts what is true” (71).

Ministry Moment

Mission Gate

Song of Preparation

Give Me Jesus

Arr. by Fernando Ortega

J=80

1. In the morn - ing when I ___ rise, ___ in the morn - ing ___ when I ___ rise, -

4 C Am F Fmaj7 F⁶
___ in the morn - ing when I ___ rise ___ give me ___ Je ___

7 Dm G C
___ sus. Give me Je -

10 $\%$ Em Am F C
- sus, ___ give me Je - sus. ___ You ___ can ___

14 F/A Last time to Coda \oplus C/G F² C
have all ___ this world, ___ but give ___ me ___ Je ___ sus.

18 C^{SUS} C Am F
2. And when I ___ am ___ a-lone, ___ oh, and when I ___ am a-lone, -
3. And when I ___ come ___ to die, ___ oh, and when I ___ come to die, -

22 C² C F² C/E

and when I am a - lone, give me Je -
and when I come to die, give me Je -

25 Dm⁷ G^{sus} C 1. 2. D.S. al Coda

- sus. Give me Je Give me Je
- sus.

⊕ Coda

29 C/G Cmaj⁷/G F² C/E

you can have all this world, you can

34 Dm⁷ C/E F² C

have all this world, but give me Je - sus.

Call to Worship—Psalm 117

Leader: Praise the Lord, all nations!

People: Extol him, all peoples!

Leader: For great is his steadfast love toward us, and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever.

All: Praise the Lord!

Leader: Now O Lord enable us to lift our heart, mind, voice and body to your praise!

WE DECLARE THE ETERNAL WORTHINESS OF GOD

***Songs of Adoration**

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

Trinity Hymnal #296

Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah, O My Soul

Trinity Hymnal #57

***Prayer of Adoration**

WE HEAR FROM GOD'S WORD

New Testament Reading—John 12:20-33

The Hour Has Come

Now among those who went up to worship at the feast were some Greeks. So these came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. And Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. If anyone serves me, he must follow me; and where I am, there will my servant be also. If anyone serves me, the Father will honor him. "Now is my soul troubled. And what shall I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? But for this purpose I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven: "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." The crowd that stood there and heard it said that it had thundered. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now will the ruler of this world be cast out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." He said this to show by what kind of death he was going to die.

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 51:3-4

For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment.

Silent Confession and Lament

Song of Confession

From the Depths of Woe (Psalm 130)

VV. 1-2. Words by Martin Luther. Music by Christopher Miner

8 G A A# Bm A G

1. From the depths of woe I raise to Thee, The voice of lam - en - ta -
 2. To wash a - way the crim - son stain, Grace, grace a - lone a - vail -

12 G Bm A G

tion; Lord, turn a gra - cious ear to me And hear my sup - pli - ca -
 eth; Our works, a - las! Are all in vain; In much the best life fail -

16 G G A Bm

tion; If thou in - i - qui - ties dost mark, Our se - cret sins and mis -
 eth; No man can glo - ry in thy sight, All must a - like con - fess

20 G Bm A Women: G A

Men: deeds dark, O who shall stand be - fore thee? O who
 thy might, And live a - lone by mer - cy And live
 O who shall stand be - fore
 And live a - lone by mer -

25 Bm A G A Bm

shall stand be - fore thee?
 a - lone by mer - cy
 thee? Who shall stand be - fore thee?
 cy Live a - lone by mer - cy

30 Bm Bm Bm A D A

There - fore my trust is in the Lord, And not

35 Bm G D A

in mine own mer - it; On Him my soul shall rest, His word up - holds

39 Bm G G A

my faint - ing spir - it; His prom - ised mer - cy is my fort, My com -

43 Bm G D A G

fort and my sweet sup - port; I wait for it with pa - tience.
Wait for

48 A D A G A

it with pa - tience. Wait for it with pa -

53 D D D D

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 ENCOUNTER AND REJOICE IN THE AMAZING GRACE OF GOD
Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace—Ps. 51:16-17

For you will not delight in sacrifice, or I would give it; you will not be pleased with a burnt offering. The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

Leader: Christian, give thanks to God for receiving our confession and restoring us!

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)

See previous page (vv. 3-5)

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 (please join when directed)

Turn Your Eyes

Helen Howarth Lemmel, George Romanacce, Nic Trout, Kevin Winebarger, and Nathan Stiff

11 C G/C F/C C G/C F/C C F/C
You. 4. Turn your eyes to the hea - vens, our King will re -

60 G/C C Dm7 C/E Am G F C/G
turn for His own. Ev-ery knee will bow, ev - ery tongue will shout "All_ glo - ry to

68 C sus/G C F C **CHORUS**
Je - sus a - lone"! Je - sus, to You we lift our eyes._____

75 F Am G C/E F G Am
Je - sus, our glo-ry and our prize._____ We a - dore You, be - hold You, our Sav - ior ev - er

82 C/E F G C C Am7
true. Oh_ Je - sus, we turn our eyes to You. You._____ O_

87 F G C TAG Em Am F C
Je - sus, we turn our eyes_____ to You._____ rit. . . .

Sermon

"From Fingers to Hearts"

Deuteronomy 27:1-9

Rev. Pablo Rosales

*Song of Response

Our Great God

Fernando Ortega

8 A Em Em7
1. E - ter - nal God, un - chang - ing, mys - te - rious and un -
2. Lord we are weak and frail help - less in the

12 A A Em Em7
known. storm.. Your bound - less love un - fail - ing, in grace and mer - cy
Sur - round us with Your an - gels, hold us in Your

16 A F#m D2
shown. arms. Bright ser cold - a - phim - in end - less flight a -
Our ruth - less en - e - my, his

19 F#m D2 A Em
round - Your glo - rious throne, They raise their voic - es day and night in
pleas - sure is our harm. Rise up, oh Lord and he will flee be -

23 Em7 A A Em
praise to You a - lone. Hal - le - lu - jah! Glo - ry -
fore our Sov - reign God.

27 D A A
be to our great - God Ha - le - lu -

30 Em 1. D
jah! glo - ry be to our great

34 A Em A A | 2.D
 God, Lord, be to our great

Instrumental

37 A Em A Em A Em
 God

Verse 3

43 A A A Em Em7
 3. Let ev - ry crea - ture in - the sea, and ev - ry fly - ing

48 A A Em Em7
 bird, let ev - ry moun - tain, ev - ry field, and val - ley of the

52 A F#m D2
 earth, let all the moons and all the stars in

55 F#m D2 A
 all the u - ni - verse sing prais - es to the

Chorus 2

58 Em Em7 A A
 liv - ing God, who rules them by His Word. Ha - le - lu -

62 Em D 1. A 2. A
 jah! glo - ry be to our great God! Ha - le - lu - God .

***Benediction**

Nursery Volunteer (SS): Chas Younger (please report to the toddler nursery directly following the service)

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Survey of the Minor Prophets- Dr. Aaron Goldstein (Room 111)

Also known as the Book of the Twelve, in this class we will explore the twelve Minor Prophets in the Old Testament. We will look at each book, considering its main message and key passages, with a special interest in the way that the book is quoted in the New Testament and how it applies today.

The Book of Romans - Ruling Elders, Fielding Poe and Jim Talent (Room 110)

If the book of Romans had a title, it might well be "A Righteousness from God." It is the most systematic of all of Paul's epistles, explaining the related concepts of sin, salvation, sanctification, justification, and redemption. Along the way, Paul also explains the relationship between Jew and Gentile in the church and gives practical advice for handling relationships within the body of believers. Anyone who studies Romans will – with the aid of the Holy Spirit -- engage with the most foundational truths of our faith, and of the universe. You won't get that anywhere else!

Trinity Choir- Katie Polski (Fireplace Room)

Do you enjoy singing? Do you love worship? The Trinity choir might be just the place for you to serve! Join us beginning Sun., Feb. 18th. We'll spend eight weeks together learning songs that we'll sing throughout the semester, including Good Friday and Easter Sunday. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to Katie Polski.

Turning Points in Church History- Pastor Polski (Sanctuary)

Join Pastor Polski for this third and final survey of some of the most significant moments in the history of the church. Having already covered Ancient and Middle Ages Church History, we turn our attention in this class to Post-Reformation Church history all the way up to the current day. Among the topics we will cover are: The development of the Westminster Confession, the Enlightenment, Christianity in the New World, The Great Awakening, the great Missionary movement, the advent of Pentecostalism, Liberalism and the enduring legacy of Christianity in the post-Christian west.

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 the previous page for a list of classes.

Volunteers today: Ushers: Schaffer, Schlitt, Thomason, Kocher. Nursery: Inion, Wagberg, Younger, Polski. SS: Younger. CC: Standerfer, Oehlerking, Goldstein. **Next Sunday:** Ushers: S. Thomason, Heintz, Standerfer, Younger. Nursery: C. Waldron, Williamson, A. Schmidt, Schlitt, Standerfer. SS: Pannkuk. CC: Sweet, Standerfer, Brumley.

Young Adults Ministry-Please join us for lunch TODAY at 12:30 At Amigo's in Kirkwood.

The **Women's Tues. Bible study** meets on the 2nd & 4th Tues. at 7pm at Melissa Jorgensen's (3/26). The **Wed. Women's studies and the Men's study are on break this week.** Both will resume the 1st week of Apr.

Ladies, you are invited to Melissa Jorgensen's home THIS Wed. at 9am for a cup of coffee and time with friends. Bring a baby outfit to donate to Thrive if you are able. Then join us for the **next Ladies Connect** on Mon., Mar. 25th at Mickie Schmidt's home at 7:30pm.

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

ACTION (All Church Things In One Night) will resume on Apr. 3.

Youth Ministry: Jr. High meets Wed. at 6pm. Sr. High meets Sun. at 6pm.

Upcoming Concerts: Sandra McCracken in Concert: Fri., Apr. 26th at 7pm. **W. Mark Akin, classical guitarist in Concert:** Sat., May 11th at 7:30pm. Tickets are on sale now via Church Center.

Church Work Day-Sat., Mar. 23rd at 9am. We will have chores indoors and out.

Following the 9:30 am Easter Worship Service, nursery children through 5th grade are invited to an **Easter Egg Hunt** on the front lawn. **We are in need of donations of pre-filled eggs for the event.** Eggs may be filled with individually packaged, nut-free candy, small toys, stickers, etc. The donation registration can be found on Church Center. Please contact Jacqueline Petty at jackiehrnz@aol.com with any questions.

If you plan to attend the Easter sunrise service and would be available to serve in our nursery during the 9:30 am service, or you would otherwise like to **volunteer in the nursery on Easter Sunday**, please email nursery@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 (James.

Broughton@trinitychurchkirkwood.org),

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:](#)



HOLY WEEK

We hope you can join us for the **Good Friday service** on March 29th at 7pm. We will have an outdoor **Easter sunrise service** at 7am (we will move indoors if the weather is bad) and our **Easter worship** service at 9:30am. The **Easter flowers** will be available to take home following the 9:30am service. A basket will be in the church office for donations to help cover the cost.

MISSION UPDATE

Prayers: Here is a QR link to our NEW March 2024 Newsletter and Prayer Calendar:



- Be informed about Local and Global ministries and missionaries.
- Join with other Trinity members who pray daily for missionaries and ministries we partner with.

Goers:

- **Robinson Elementary Food Pantry** – one of the places where you can be on mission is right down the road from our church home. This is a place where we are called to be a blessing to our neighbors.

Registration for March, April, and May, can be found here:



Senders: The work of outreach and mission cannot happen without your generous and sacrificial giving. If you would like to participate in mission work by sending, scan here: Select "Missions" from the dropdown menu.



Welcomers: Are you a person that loves the idea of hospitality? Consider volunteering on our Welcome Team. Contact newly ordain deacon, James Broughton, for more information.

- **Snack Table Ministry:** Believe it or not, snacks are a vital part of our weekly ministry. A few calories, fat, carbs, protein, and natural sugar, are necessary fuel for the body. Sadly, around 10:45am every Sunday, those energy stores are depleted and need a quick replenishment (especially for those little ones). Help prevent "hanger" through hospitality by participating in this ministry. Link to snack list:



Mobilizers: Mobilizers are teachers, planners, encouragers, motivators, rally'ers, potstir'ers, makers, guides, and cultivators. They see the potential in someone and are willing to dedicate the time and energy, with the Holy Spirit, to help shape them into go'ers, senders, pray'ers, welcomers, man-fishers, and nation-blessers. Mobilizers see a mission field (in/out of the church walls) and work *with* others to *make* the best trained go'ers.

- **We are currently looking for future members of our Local/National and Global Subcommittees.** If you would like to hear more, please email Pastor Pablo.

Now Open! – Trinity Church Kirkwood Community Board!

Introducing the Trinity Church Kirkwood Community Board for Trinity members. Think of Facebook marketplace mixed with the community board at your local coffee shop, where people thumbtack items or services or needs to the cork board. Well, this is similar, but instead of a thumbtack and corkboard, you send it via email! Register here:



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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