

Palm Sunday



March 24, 2024

Trinity Church

WORSHIPING THE GOD WHO DESIRES TO BLESS US

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

Nursery Volunteers (worship service): Carly Waldron, Beth Williamson, Allison Schmidt, Barb Schlitt, Josie Standerfer

Liturgist: Matt Pannkuk

Scripture Reader: Alyce Bava

Pastoral Prayer: Rev. Dr. Chris Polski

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Quotes and Reflection

"To be human is to be in proper relationship with God, other people, and the world. Sin has marred and well-nigh destroyed these relationships, but in Christ, the perfect human, they are restored...Each of these three relationships is restored as we increasingly grow into the image of Christ." — Christopher Wright

"God Almighty first planted a garden; and indeed, it is the purest of human pleasures."
— Francis Bacon

"The garden is 'the garden of God', not in the first instance an abode for man as such, but specifically a place of reception of man into fellowship with God in God's own dwelling-place." — Geerhardus Vos

"There is a purpose in God's putting man in the garden alone for a period of time. It was to show him that he had a need, that he needed someone to be with him." — J. Vernon McGee

"Stagnation in the church is the devil's delight!" — Charles Spurgeon

"I'm glad I'm alive. I am delighted that I was ever created. I am delighted that I was ever born. I am delighted that God ever thought of me before the beginning. I am utterly and completely delighted that God ever made me." — A. W. Tozer

Devotional Preparation

Excerpt from “The Garden of Eden” —lignonier.org, January 25, 2006

In today’s passage, Moses gives us the location of Eden, the land in which God planted the garden and which served as Adam’s first home (Gen. 2:8, 15). Because it is currently impossible to be certain of the identity of the rivers Pishon (v. 11) and Gihon (v. 13), we cannot determine Eden’s exact geographical position. Our best guess is it was somewhere east of Palestine and north of the Persian Gulf due to Moses’ reference to the Tigris and Euphrates rivers (v. 14).

Though we cannot be sure of Eden’s precise whereabouts, it is clear that the garden God planted was evidence of His benevolence. First of all, the Lord, and not man, planted the garden (v. 8). To be sure, Adam was commanded to tend the garden (v. 15). However, this was a garden where God caused the increase (v. 9), as it was free from weeds since the ground had not yet been cursed (see 3:17–19). Secondly, God did not finish His work of creation before fulfilling Adam’s need for a fit helper (2:18–24). Other ancient Near Eastern religions believed the gods created man to take over their job of irrigating the earth, among other tasks, so that the gods could rest. But in the Bible, God works to provide for humanity and does not rest until He has met all of the needs of His people.

John Calvin comments on Genesis 2:8 that Adam “had been bountifully enriched by the Lord with innumerable benefits, from the enjoyment of which he might infer the paternal benevolence of God.” Are you living a life of gratitude for the numerous spiritual and material blessings in your life? Make a list of seven of the most important things God has provided for you and spend time thanking Him for them today.

Song of Preparation

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

Trinity Hymnal #235

Children's Choir

Mighty to Save

Call to Worship—Psalm 118 (selected)

Leader: Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever! Let Israel say, "His steadfast love endures forever."

People: Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD.

Leader: This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it.

People: I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.

Leader: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD! We bless you from the house of the LORD.

All: The LORD is God, and he has made his light to shine upon us. Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!

Leader: Now O Lord, as we enter the gates of righteousness, meet us with your presence and fill us with thanksgiving for your salvation.

WE DECLARE THE ETERNAL WORTHINESS OF GOD

*Songs of Adoration

O The Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

Samuel Trevor Francis, Thomas J. Williams. Arr. Ryan Foglesong, Patrick Anderson, John Martin

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 8/8 time. It consists of ten systems, each with a treble clef staff and a line of lyrics. Chord symbols are placed above the staffs. The lyrics are:

1 the deep, deep love of Je - sus
 2 the deep, deep love of Je - sus
 3 the deep, deep love of Je - sus

5 Vast un - meas - ured, bound - less to free
 Spread his praise - ured, shore - less to free
 Love of ev - ery - where the shore
 best

9 Roll - ing as a might - ty o - cean,
 How he lov - eth ev - er - lasting,
 'Tis an o - cean of bless - ings,

13 In its full - ness o - ver me,
 Chang - eth ne - ver, swe - ter of rest
 'Tis a ha - ven Em

17 Un - der neath me, all a - round me,
 How he watch - es o'er his loved ones,
 O the - eep, deep love of Je - sus

21 Is the cur - rent them of thy love
 Died to call heav'n of all his own
 'Tis a heav'n C me Em

25 Lead - ing on - ward, lead - ing home - ward,
 How for on them he lifts me up - ter - ce - ward,
 And it lifts me to glo - ri - y

29 To thy glor - ious rest a - bove
 Watch eth o'er them from the throne
 For it lifts me to thee

King of Kings

Brooke Ligertwood, Jason Ingram, and Scott Ligertwood. Arr. by Dan Galbraith

D/F# G



1. In the dark - ness — we were wait - ing, with - out hope, .
(2.) the king - dom com - ing and to re -

2 A D D/F# G



— with-out light, — till from Heav - en You — came run - ning. There was mer -
- con-cile the lost, — to re - deem — the whole — cre - a - tion You did not —

4 A D D/F# G



- cy in — Your eyes. — To ful - fil — the law — and pro - phets, to a vir -
— des - pise — the cross. — For — e - ven in — Your suf - fring, You saw to —

6 A D D/F# G



- gin came — the Word — from a throne — of end - less glo - ry to a cra -
— the oth - er side. — Know-ing this — was our — sal - va - tion, Je - sus, for —

8 A D D



- dle in — the dirt. — Praise the Fa - ther,
— our sake — You died. —

12 G Bm A^{sus} A D



praise the Son, praise the Spir - it, three in one. God of Glo - ry,

16 G Bm G A D



maj - es - ty, praise for - ev - er to the King of Kings.

20 1. VERSE 3 2.
Bm G

2. To re-veal 3. And the morn - ing that - You rose - all of heav

23 A D Bm G

- en held - its breath - till that stone - was moved - for good, - for the Lamb .

25 A D Bm G

- had con - quered death. - And the dead - rose from - their tombs, - and the an -

27 A D Bm G

- gels stood - in awe, - for the souls - of all - who'd come - to the Fa -

VERSE 4

29 A D D/F# G

- ther are - re - stored. - 4. And the Church - of Christ - was born, - then the Spir

- it lit - the flame. - Now this Gos - pel truth - of old - shall - not kneel, .

33 A D D/F# G

- shall - not faint. - By His blood - and in - His Name, - in His free

35 A D D/F# G A

- dom I - am free, - for the love - of Je - sus Christ - who has res - ur - rect - ed me. .

***Prayer of Adoration**

WE HEAR FROM GOD'S WORD

New Testament Reading—Mark 11:1-11

The Triumphal Entry

Now when they drew near to Jerusalem, to Bethphage and Bethany, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples and said to them, "Go into the village in front of you, and immediately as you enter it you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever sat. Untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' say, 'The Lord has need of it and will send it back here immediately.' " And they went away and found a colt tied at a door outside in the street, and they untied it. And some of those standing there said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" And they told them what Jesus had said, and they let them go. And they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it, and he sat on it. And many spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut from the fields. And those who went before and those who followed were shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David! Hosanna in the highest!"

And he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple. And when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

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—Galatians 5:13-14

For you were called to freedom, brothers. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another. For the whole law is fulfilled in one word, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

Silent Confession and Lament

WE ENCOUNTER AND REJOICE IN THE AMAZING GRACE OF GOD

Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace—Eph. 5:1-2

Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Leader: Children of God, give thanks to God that Jesus gave himself up for us, so that we would have freedom to walk in love.

People: Thanks be to God!

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

People: And also with you!

*Song of Rejoicing

How Deep the Father's Love For Us

Stuart Townend. Arr. by Dan Kreider

♩ = 54

D Em D/F# G D/F# D/A A

1. How deep the Fa - ther's love for us, how vast be - yond all meas - ure That
 2. Be - hold the Man up - on a cross, my sin up - on His shoul - ders. A -
 3. I will not boast in an - y - thing: no gifts, no pow'r, no wis - dom. But

3 D Em D/F# G D/F# A D

He should give His on - ly Son to make a wretch His treas - ure. How
 shamed, I hear my mock - ing voice call out a - mong the scof - fers. It
 I will boast in Je - sus Christ: His death and res - ur - rec - tion. Why

5 Em D/F# G D/F# Bm A

great the pain of sear - ing loss. The Fa - ther turns His face a - way As
 was my sin that held Him there un - til it was ac - com - plished; His
 should I gain from His re - ward? I can - not give an an - swer. But

7 D Em D/F# G D/F# A

wounds which mar the Cho - sen One bring man - y sons to glo -
 dy - ing breath has brought me life. I know that it is fin -
 this I know with all my heart: His wounds have paid my ran -

9 D G/B D/A D G2 D

ry.
ished.

2. Be - som.
3. I

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)

Offertory Song (Ensemble)

Hosanna! (Will You Rise?)

Isaac Wardell, Leslie Jordan, Nick Chambers, Terrian Bass

Sermon

"Back to the Garden"

Genesis 2:8-18

In the Garden, A Holy Week Series

Rev. Pablo Rosales

*Song of Response

All Creatures of Our God and King

Francis of Assisi, translated by William Henry Draper, Jonathan Baird, and Ryan Baird

♩ = 76

VERSE

C Am

1. All crea-tures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us
 2. Let all things their Cre - a - tor bless and wor - ship Him in hum - ble -

4

F

sing, O__ praise Him! Al - le - lu - ia!
 ness. O__ praise Him! Al - le - lu - ia!

7

C Am

Thou, burn - ing sun with gold - en beam, thou, sil - ver moon with sof - ter
 Praise, praise the Fa - ther, praise the Son, and praise the Spir - it, Three in

10

F C/E F

gleam, O__ praise Him! O__ praise Him! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -

14

Am G F D **VERSE** G F#m

lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! 3. All the re - deemed washed by His blood,
 4. He shall re - turn in pow'r to reign,

20

Bm Em D G D

come and re - joice in His great love. O__ praise Him! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ has de - feat - ed ev - ery
 heav - en and earth will join to say, O__ praise Him! Al - le - lu - ia! Then who shall fall on bend - ed

25

G F#m Bm Em D G

sin, cast all your bur - dens now on Him. O__ praise Him! O__
 knee? All crea - tures of our God and King.

29

D/F# G Bm A G A/C#

praise Him! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

34

D Em D G

*Benediction

Nursery Volunteer (SS): Karen Broughton, Jessica Pannkuk (please report to the toddler nursery directly following the service)

SUNDAY SCHOOL

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 (Room 111)

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. **No Sunday school or children's church on Easter Sunday.**

Volunteers today: Ushers: S. Thomason, Heintz, Standerfer, Younger. Nursery: C. Waldron, Williamson, A. Schmidt, Schlitt, Standerfer. SS: Pannkuk. CC: Sweet, Standerfer, Brumley. **Next Sunday:** Ushers: Oehlerking, Moen, Broughton, Barker. No CC.

Young Adults Ministry-Please join us on the third Sunday of the month for lunch at 12:30 until we move to a more regular meeting time starting this June. See Mitchell Dixon if you are interested.

The **Women's Tues. Bible study** meets on the 2nd & 4th Tues. at 7pm - this week at Liz Boehne's home. The **Wed. Women's studies and the Men's study** are on **break this week**. Both will resume the 1st week of Apr.

Ladies, join us for the **next Ladies Connect** THIS Mon., Mar. 25th at Mickie Schmidt's home at 7:30pm.

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

Youth Ministry: Jr. & Sr. High Mystery Event, Sat., Apr. 13th at 6pm.

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

Thanks to all who came out to help with our Church Work Day.

Following the 9:30 am Easter Worship Service, nursery children through 5th grade (with their parents) are invited to an **Easter Egg Hunt** on the front lawn. Children will receive a bag to collect eggs during the children's sermon. Extras will also be available outside. Look for signs outside to show where your child should collect eggs based on age.

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 (string prelude beginning at 6:45pm). 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 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:

- **FORAI** – A local ministry that helps immigrant and refugee woman create their own business by working with their own hands is looking for volunteers to assist with the sales team at events.

See the below dates and contact Brittany Lattner (bjoys14@gmail.com) for more information.

- Tower Grove Farmers Market: Saturday mornings—April 6, April 13, May 11
- Bookish Market: Sunday afternoon—April 21 at City Foundry
- WorldFest: Saturday, April 28 in Maryland Heights

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?

- **FORAI** – (Also mentioned above) is looking for ESL instructors or mentors, who have a heart to connect and form friendships with these women through practicing English together. This can also lead to sharing stories from the Bible as practice or helping women with navigating America’s education system/legal system/ transportation system/etc. The two women in need already know English fairly well but would like to have more practice conversating.

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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.

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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