

2 CORINTHIANS 4:5

WORSHIPING THE GOD WHO EQUIPS US FOR LABOR IN THE KINGDOM

(Children of all ages are welcome in our worship service, but if your family needs a break from the sanctuary or wants to move around, our family overflow room with toys is available in room 111.)

Nursery Volunteers (worship service): Chrissy Inion, Kim McCall, Tara

Thomason, Stella Hendricks

Liturgist: Rev. Tim Jackson

Scripture Reader: Hannah Kwong

Pastoral Prayer: Ruling Elder, Bill Elzinga

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Missions Moment

Quotes and Reflection

Yet we know that a person is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, so we also have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ and not by works of the law, because by works of the law no one will be justified. — Gal. 2:16

"Christian morality differs radically from legalism. Legalism is obedience to the letter of the law to the neglect of the spirit; Christian morality is obedience to the spirit of the law as well as the letter." — R.B. Kuiper

"The law is meant to lead the sinner to faith in Christ by showing the impossibility of any other way." — C.H. Spurgeon

Devotional Preparation

After the sermon this morning we will be installing Pablo Rosales and Aaron Goldstein to the office of Associate Pastor. On important occasions like this it is good to be reminded that the calling to church office is both a noble and challenging task that requires those who occupy it to model a godly, humble and gracious character to the flock. Paul writes,

The saying is trustworthy: If anyone aspires to the office of overseer, he desires a nobletask. I Timothy 3:1

In reflecting on the importance of character in church officers, Dr. Bryan Chapell comments:

"Church leadership can attract people with mixed and sometimes outrightly sinful motives. The seeming prestige of spiritual leadership attracts some. The lure of power draws others. The spiritual directing of others' lives can be heady stuff. Some, I think, like the idea of having access to the supposed mysterious inner workings of the church. All these motives are empty pursuits, but that does not reduce the lure for some. I say all this to emphasize that Christian ministry and leadership is without question a matter of character. One's authentic spirituality and Christian character is everything in church leadership. It is a sober fact that, as goes the leadership, so goes the church."

Dr. Bryan Chapell, I-2 Timothy and Titus, Preach the Word, Crossway. p 77-78.

Song of Preparation

We Fall Down

Chris Tomlin



Call to Worship—Psalm 104 (selected)

Leader: O Lord, how manifold are your works! In wisdom have

you made them all;

People: May the glory of the Lord endure forever; may the

Lord rejoice in his works!

Leader: I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;

People: We will sing praise to our God while we have

being.

All: May my meditation be pleasing to him, for I rejoice in

the Lord.

Leader: Now Oh Lord, come and dwell among us that we

might worship you in Spirit and in truth!

WE DECLARE THE ETERNAL WORTHINESS OF GOD

*Songs of Adoration

O Worship the King Trinity Hymnal #2

Rejoice In All Your Works

Wendell Kimbrough



*Prayer of Adoration

WE HEAR FROM GOD'S WORD

Old Testament Reading—Ezekiel 37:1-14

The Valley of Dry Bones

The hand of the Lord was upon me, and he brought me out in the Spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of the valley; it was full of bones. And he led me around among them, and behold, there were very many on the surface of the valley, and behold, they were very dry. And he said to me, "Son of man, can these bones live?" And I answered, "O Lord God, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophesy over these bones, and say to them, O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: Behold, I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. And I will lay sinews upon you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live, and you shall know that I am the Lord."

So I prophesied as I was commanded. And as I prophesied, there was a sound, and behold, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. And I looked, and behold, there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them. But there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath; prophesy, son of man, and say to the breath, Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live." So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived and stood on their feet, an exceedingly great army.

Then he said to me, "Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. Behold, they say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are indeed cut off.' Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: Behold, I will open your graves and raise you from your graves, O my people. And I will bring you into the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and raise you from your graves, O my people. And I will put my Spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I am the Lord; I have spoken, and I will do it, declares the Lord."

Reader: The grass withers and the flowers fall, but the word of the Lord stands forever!

People: Thanks be to God!

WE ENCOUNTER AND REJOICE IN THE AMAZING GRACE OF GOD Call to Confession—Romans 8:22-23

For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together in the pains of childbirth until now. And not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies.

Silent Confession and Lament

Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace—Romans 8:28

And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose.

Leader: Christian, give thanks to God for working out the good in

our lives!

People: Thanks be to God!

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

People: And also with you!

*Song of Rejoicing

There Is A Fountain

Words: William Cowper. Music: Early American Melody. Norton Hall Band



WE HUMBLE OURSELVES BEFORE THE LORD

Pastoral Prayer

Tithes and Offerings

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

If you would like to give your tithe online, scan your camera phone here:



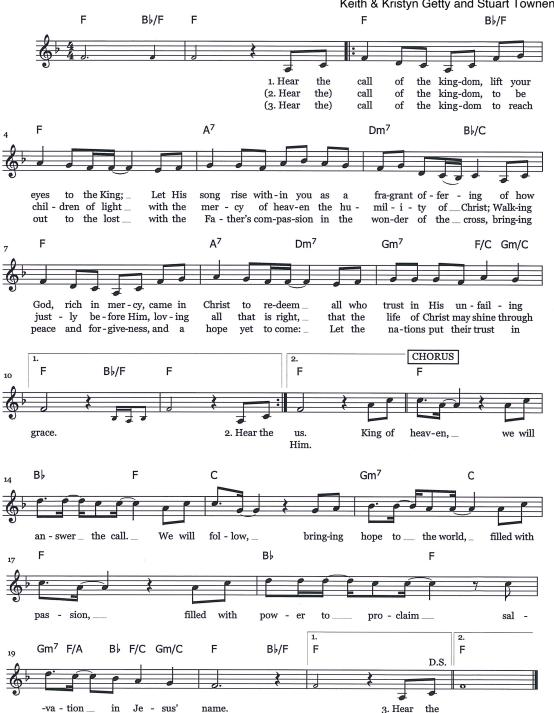
Sermon

"Christ and the Law"
Sermon Series, Sermon on the Mount
Matthew 5:17-20
Rev. Dr. Chris Polski

*Song of Response

Hear the Call of the Kingdom

Keith & Kristyn Getty and Stuart Townend



SERVICE OF INSTALLATION

TE Pablo Rosales and TE Aaron Goldstein

The Warrant and Nature of the Office of the Office of Teaching Elder

- The Questions for Installation (BCO 21.9-10)
- The Prayer of Installation
- The Pronouncement of Installation
- The Charge

*Sending Song

Doxology
Trinity Hymnal # 731

*Benediction

Nursery Volunteer (SS): Sarah Oehlerking (please report to the toddler nursery directly following the service)

If you would like a time of prayer with one of our elders, please come to the front of the sanctuary after the service.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Book of 1 Timothy - Ruling Elders, Fielding Poe and Jim Talent (Room 110)

If you've ever wanted to know why our church operates as it does, join us for a study of 1 Timothy, the first of Paul's pastoral letters. It's a blueprint for how churches should be organized, how they can best serve God, and how they should choose their leaders. It also has a lot to say about the way God wants us to serve each other!

Trinity Choir- Katie Polski (Fireplace Room)

All are welcome to join the Trinity choir for a time of singing and worship! We will continue meeting through the end of May, before breaking for the summer, and will be singing in a few of the worship services during that time. 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. A list of classes and locations are on the previous page.

Volunteers today: Ushers: Thomason, Heintz, Standerfer, Younger. Nursery: Inion, McCall, T. Thomason, S. Hendricks. SS: Oehlerking. CC: K & J Standerfer, Brumley. Next Sunday: Ushers: Oehlerking, Moen, Broughton, Barker. Nursery: Keating, Linenbroker, Younger, Standerfer. SS: D. Nichols. CC: Sweet, Polski, Wagberg.

Ladies, join us for a relaxing evening with friends THIS Monday at 7:30pm at Mickie Schmidt's. Feel free to bring a snack or drink to share.

The Men's Bible Study of Daniel will wrap up on Wed., May 29 at 6pm OR Fri., May 31 at 6:30am.

Youth Ministry: Sr. High End of the Semester Party TONIGHT from 6-7:30pm. SH RYM Retreat: Jun. 10-15. JH Edge Retreat: Jun. 17-21.

The Grounds Crew could use your help! We need help with mowing, trimming, etc. If you are willing to lend a hand, please see Glynn Schlitt, James Broughton, or Fielding Poe. We can work with your schedule!

Promotion Sunday is May 26th. This is a time when we thank the teachers and recognize our graduating kindergarteners, 5th graders, high school, and college students.

It is not too early to sign up for our next Prayer and Praise evening on Sat., Jun. 15th-The Psalms We Sing. Space is limited. Use the QR code to the right to register.

Congratulations to all the graduates! From kindergarten to graduate school-well done!

Visitors: If you are visiting with us today we would love to give you a small gift. Please stop by the Welcome Table so we can say "hello."

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:



SUMMER KICKOFF

This year, VBS has been reimagined and we're including the whole family! Children in nursery through 5th grade, along with their families, please join us for Summer Kickoff on Saturday, June 8 from 3:30 -7 pm for inflatables, activities, music, and fun, designed with little ones and big kids in mind! A hot dog dinner (along with other treats!) will be served at 5 pm followed by a message from Pastor Polski. Register on Church Center or use the QR code above. Volunteers needed! Sign up in the narthex or see Melissa Kocher.

MISSION UPDATE

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



- Please pray for the ministries and volunteers listed in the prayer calendar and below.
- FARSI Ministry Booklets: Over the last several weeks, we helped a Farsi speaking ministry print 500 evangelistic booklets. This is the second printing! The first were 500 Farsi language booklets that made their way to California and Iran. We had to figure out how to print "backward" due to the nature of the language being right-left. This printing was an English translation of the first for second-generation readers. Pray that these booklets would bring readers to consider the truth of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Goers:

- Restore STL, Workday This local PCA ministry gathers volunteers from churches, colleges, small businesses and every place in between to provide basic home repairs and personal connections for the poor and vulnerable. Whether it's a skilled plumbing job or simply pulling weeds, they strive to provide servant hands and hearts for "the least of these".
 - o The next Saturday Serve is in July. More information coming soon.

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.



 Amazing generosity! We sent out checks this week for donations from our Giving Tree during the advent season. In all we collected right around \$2000. When we made the ministries aware that they would be receiving a gift, they were all excited and thankful for our partnership in God's mission.

Welcomers: Are you a person that loves the idea of hospitality?

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.

Mobilizers: 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 at pablo@trinitychurchkirkwood.org



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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