

# TRINITY CHURCH

— KIRKWOOD —

*2 CORINTHIANS 4:5*

May 26, 2024

# WORSHIPING THE GOD WHO BRINGS PEACE

(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):** Suzanne Keating, Kim Linenbroker, Chas Younger, Josie Standerfer

**Liturgist:** Rev. Dr. Chris Polski

**Scripture Reader:** Lyn Moffitt

**Pastoral Prayer:** Ruling Elder, Fielding Poe

## Prelude

## Welcome and Announcements

## Quotes and Reflection

“The sixth commandment, then, is a matter that involves the heart, not merely the outward act. And so it is with every commandment...” — William Hendriksen

“Sins are like circles in the water when a stone is thrown into it; one produces another. When anger was in Cain’s heart, murder was not far off.”  
— Philip Henry

My tongue will tell the anger of my heart,  
Or else my heart, concealing it, will break; — William Shakespeare

“If we are to have boldness, we must be clean from wrath, that none may impute our words to that. No matter how just your words may be, when you speak with anger, you ruin all.” — John Chrysostom

“Anger is a weed; hate is the tree.” — Augustine of Hippo

“Be not angry, for anger leadeth to murder, nor jealous nor contentious nor wrathful; for of all these things murders are engendered.” — Didache

# Devotional Preparation

A Prayer for Guarding Against Heart Homicide – tgc.org

*We know that we have passed out of death into life, because we love the brothers. Whoever does not love abides in death. Everyone who hates his brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life abiding in him. 1 John 3:14-15*

*In your anger do not sin. Eph. 4:26*

Dear heavenly Father, there are several things for which I rather casually express hatred. I hate stringy canned asparagus. I hate bumper-to-bumper traffic going in my direction. I hate being late for anything. I hate pulling out a nearly empty milk carton when I'm primed for a big bowl of cereal. I hate small talking in a room full of people I don't know.

But this portion of your Word puts all of my hating into perspective. I'm sobered by the warning about the hatred of people—especially hating brothers and sisters in Christ.

Holy Spirit, I ask you to examine my heart and quicken my memory. Who are the people for whom I've entertained feelings of hatred? Though I may have never spoken the violent words "I hate you!" to their face, whom have I murdered in my heart—relishing their reversal, dreamed of their demise, and longed for their languishing?

I know that big disappointments and painful betrayals are common in life, even by the hands of those with whom we share life in Christ. Some of us have been greatly harmed by the very people we were trained to trust. Arrest our hearts, Lord, before real hurt grows to retaliatory anger, and retaliatory anger morphs into spiteful hatred, and spiteful hatred segues into heart homicide.

Vengeance belongs to you, not us, Father. Even as you are a God of mercy, you are also a God of justice. We can trust you for both. You do all things well—in your timing, for your glory, and for our good.

Father, we praise you for bringing us from death to life in Jesus, and for the assurance that you will complete the good work of salvation you began in us. May the gospel compel us to hate evil and hate our sin, more than anything else. In our anger, help us to not sin. In all things, free us to trust, love and serve you. So very Amen we pray, in the holy and compassionate name of Jesus.

# Song of Preparation

# Prayers of the People

John Arndt, David Gungor, Ian Cron, Ben Kilgore, and Evan Wickham

(please join when directed)

♩=108 VERSE

D Bm G D

You hear - us call - ing; You hear - us call - ing, Ab - ba, Fa - ther.

5

Bm G D

You hear - us call - ing; You hear - us call - ing, Ab - ba, Fa - ther.

CHORUS

9

G D/F# A Bm

Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have

1.

INSTRUMENTAL

14

G D/F# A D G/D

mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy.

2.

20

D G/D D

Christ, have

3.

26

A D D.S. A D

mer - cy. Lord, have Christ, have mer - cy.

## Call to Worship—Psalm 29 (selected)

Leader: Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.

**People: The voice of the LORD is over the waters; the God of glory thunders.**

Leader: The voice of the LORD is powerful; the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.

**People: The voice of the LORD flashes forth flames of fire.**

Leader: The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness;

**All: And in his temple all cry, "Glory!"**

Leader: Let us hear your voice, O Lord, as we worship you and ascribe to you the glory due your name.

# WE DECLARE THE ETERNAL WORTHINESS OF GOD

## \*Songs of Adoration

### *I See the Lord*

Chris Falson

♩ = 80

D A/C# Em D/F# G

I see the Lord seated on the throne ex -

4 Asus A D A/C# Em D/F#

alt - ed, and the train of His robe fills the tem - ple with

7 G E7/G# D/A Em7/A

glo - ry; And the whole earth is filled, and the

11 D/A Em7/A Bm7 Gmaj7

whole earth is filled, and the whole earth is filled with His

15 Em/G D D Em/D D

glo - ry. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly,

20 Em7/D Bm7 D/F# G

1 Asus A

2 Asus A D

ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord. Lord of lords.

# Only A Holy God

Michael Farren, Jonny Robinson, Dustin Smith, and Rich Thompson



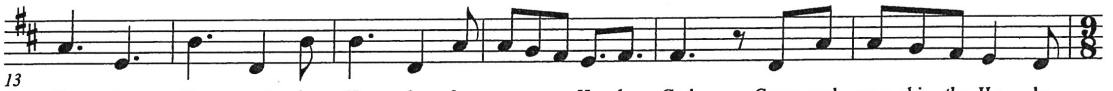
1. Who else commands \_\_\_\_\_ all the hosts of heav - en?  
 2. What oth - er beau - ty de - ,ands such prais - es?  
 3. What oth - er glo - ry con - sumes like fi - re?  
 4. Who else could res - cue me from my fail - ing?



3 Who else could make - ev - 'ry king bow down? Who else can whis - per and dark - ness  
 What oth - er splen - dour out - shines the sun? What oth - er maj - es - ty rules with  
 What oth - er pow - er can raise the dead? What oth - er name re - ,ains un - de -  
 Who else would of - fer His on - ly Son? Who else in - vites me to call Him

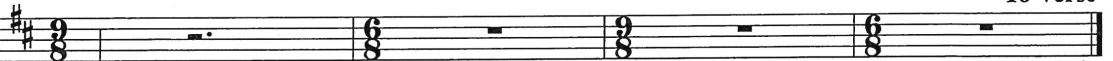


6 trem - bles On - ly a Ho - ly God. Come and be - hold Him, the One and the  
 just - ice? On - ly a Ho - ly God.  
 feat - ed/ On - ly a Ho - ly God.  
 Fa - ther? On - ly a Ho - ly God.  
 5. (On - ly my Ho - ly God)



13 On - ly. Cry out, sing Ho - ly, for - ev - er a Ho - ly God. Come and wor - ship the Ho - ly

To Verse



19 God.

chorus repeated at the end

## \*Prayer of Adoration

# WE HEAR FROM GOD'S WORD

## Old Testament Reading—Isaiah 6:1-8

### *Isaiah's Vision of the Lord*

In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple. Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. And one called to another and said:

“Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts;  
the whole earth is full of his glory!”

And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. And I said: “Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!”

Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. And he touched my mouth and said: “Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for.”

And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” Then I said, “Here I am! Send me.”

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 8:12-13**

So then, brothers, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live.

### **Silent Confession and Lament**

### **Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace—Rom. 8:14-17**

For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, "Abba! Father!" The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

Leader: Children of God, give thanks to God that we have been adopted and are now heirs with Christ.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

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

**People: And also with you!**

# \*Song of Rejoicing

# Father, Let Your Kingdom Come

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

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

G D/G G  
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

D G D/G  
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

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

G C G/B Am D G C G/B Am D  
You make all things new in

G C G/B Am D G C G/B Am D  
pla - ces we don't choose You make all things new.

## **Promotion Ceremony**

Graduating Kindergarten:  
Graham Jackson, June Sinclair, Caleb Wilhoit

Graduating 5th Grade:  
Josiah Goldstein, Meredith Kocher, Calvin Rosales

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**

"The Heart Digs Deep Graves"  
Sermon Series, Sermon on the Mount  
Matthew 5:21-26  
Rev. Pablo Rosales

### **\*Song of Response**

*We Are God's People*  
Trinity Hymnal #355 (vv. 1, 3, 4)

### **\*Benediction**

**Nursery Volunteer (SS):** Dave Nichols (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 (Sanctuary)**

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.

**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."

**Volunteers today:** Ushers: Oehlerking, Moen, Broughton, Barker. Nursery: Keating, Linenbroker, Younger, Standerfer. SS: D. Nichols. CC: Sweet, Polski, Wagberg. **Next Sunday:** Ushers: Roberts, Wong, Maglione, Alexander. Nursery: Wagberg, Garner, Schmidt, Inion. CC: Doiron, Hawley, Inion.

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:** 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!

Join us for an evening of **Prayer and Praise:** *The Psalms We Sing*. This event, led by some of the ensemble, will be held at the home of Tom and Mickie Schmidt on Sat., June 15th at 6:30 pm. It will be a joy-filled night of singing and fellowship. Space is limited. Use the QR code to the right to register.

**Congrats** to Allison Schmidt for graduating high school and to Alyce Bava, Ella Polski and Cameron Roberts on their college graduations. Congrats also to: Melissa Kocher, Brittany Lattner, and Katie Polski for their recent master's degrees! We apologize if we missed anyone, we wish everyone celebrating graduations the best! **A special thank you** to all of our children's SS teachers, ACTION, nursery, and children's church volunteers. You are appreciated!

Save the Date! **Trinity's Women's Ministry is hosting a special event** on Wed., Aug. 14th from 6:30-8pm-*Pass the Blessings*. A night of food, fellowship, and encouragement. Details can be found using the QR code to the right or on your Church Center app.

If you do not receive our **weekly email updates** on Tuesday mornings, please send your email address to [amy.mitchell@trinitychurchkirkwood.org](mailto: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](mailto:Paul.Schaffer@trinitychurchkirkwood.org),

**Greeters:** James Broughton (James.Broughton@trinitychurchkirkwood.org),

**Children's Ministry:** Melissa Kocher ([Melissa.Kocher@trinitychurchkirkwood.org](mailto: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”.
  - **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

# 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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