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WORSHIPING THE GOD WHO BLESSES US

(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): Carly Waldron, Jessica Hendricks,

Linda Manwaring, Shirah Goldstein

Liturgist: Matt Pannkuk

Scripture Reader: Kyle Petty

Pastoral Prayer: Ruling Elder, Duncan Highmark

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Quotes and Reflection

"Jesus associated the kingdom of God with His own life and ministry. We can't separate the person of Christ from the content of the Beatitudes, because the Beatitudes themselves point to Him as the ultimate source of our blessedness." — R. C. Sproul

"In the first and last Beatitudes, Jesus declares God's kingdom to be present for those who are blessed." — Craig Blomberg

"So then the promises of Jesus in the beatitudes have both a present and a future fulfilment. We enjoy the firstfruits now; the full harvest is yet to come." — John Stott

"The Beatitudes of Jesus describe the character of the men who, living under God's Fatherly Rule made manifest in Jesus, enjoy ... happiness even here and now, though its perfection belongs to the heavenly world." — James Montgomery Boice

"Nowhere in the Beatitudes are we told to do anything in order to become something. The Beatitudes are not a series of exhortations, they are an exhibition, a portrait gallery of what a genuine Christian is like."

— John Blanchard

"The first three beatitudes describe a disciple's knowledge of his spiritual need. The fourth states God's promise to meet that need. The fifth through seventh describe the results of the fourth beatitude."

— Daniel M. Doriani

"It seems to me that the Beatitudes are arranged in order like so many steps, so as to facilitate the ascent from one to the other. For if a man's mind has ascended to the first Beatitude, he will accept what follows as a necessary result of thought, even though the next clause seems to say something new beyond what had been said in the first."

— Gregory of Nyssa, 4th century

Call to Worship—Psalm 98 (selected)

Leader: Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done

marvelous things!

People: His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation

for him.

Leader: The LORD has made known his salvation; he has revealed

his righteousness in the sight of the nations.

People: He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness

to the house of Israel.

Leader: All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our

God. Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth; break

forth into joyous song and sing praises!

All: Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre, with the lyre and

the sound of melody! With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD!

Leader: With our voices and hands, we make a joyful noise to you,

O LORD. Meet us in our worship and receive the praises of

your people.

WE DECLARE THE ETERNAL WORTHINESS OF GOD

*Songs of Adoration Psalm150 (Praise the Lord) Words and Music by Matt Papa and Matt Boswell 1. You made the star ry hosts, You traced the moun - tain peaks, You 2. You reached in - to the dust, in love Your Spir - it breathed. You Ε Ε Ε E/G# Α The paint the ev - 'ning skies with won ders. earth, it is from formed us in Your ver like know Your won-drous works, у ness to E2sus C#m⁷ A^2 E/G# В All na - ture tes - ti-fies Your splen dor. Praise the des - ert to the sea. tell Your might - y deeds, join the ev - er-last ing cho rus. CHORUS 1 F#m⁷⁽⁴⁾ A2(no3) Bsus E/G# Lord, praise the Lord, sing His great - ness, all cre - a tion. Praise the A^{2(no3)} C#m7 B/D# E/G# F#m⁷⁽⁴⁾ B^{sus} E2/G# Ε the Lord. __ 2. You let ev - 'ry-thing that has breath praise west, INSTRUMENTAL F#m⁷⁽⁴⁾ Bsus C#m C#m Α has breath praise the Lord. ___



Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

Henry F. Lyte



*Prayer of Adoration

WE HEAR FROM GOD'S WORD

Old Testament Reading—Genesis 12:1-3

Now the Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.

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—1 John 5:1-2

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the Father loves whoever has been born of him. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments.

Silent Confession and Lament

Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace—1 John 5:3-4

For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome. For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith.

Leader: Children of God, give thanks to God that Jesus has made a

way for us to truly 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

O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

Words by George Matheson. Music by Christopher Miner



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

"Counter-Culture Character" Matthew 5:1-12 Rev. Pablo Rosales

THE SERVICE OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*Sursum Corda

Pastor: The LORD be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up unto the LORD.

Pastor: Let us give thanks unto the LORD our God.

People: It is good and right so to do.

*Confession of Faith

Leader: Christian, in whom do you believe?

All: I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived of the Holy Spirit,

born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried.

The third day He arose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven and sits at the right

hand of God the Father Almighty, whence He shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy universal church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,

and life everlasting. Amen

Words of Institution-Matthew 26:26—29

Now as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and after blessing it broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said, "Take, eat; this is my body." And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you, for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. I tell you I will not drink again of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom."

Prayer of Consecration

The Giving of the Bread and Cup

Upon direction from the ushers, please come forward down the center aisle. After you receive the elements, please return to your seats via the side aisles. Please hold the elements until we are all able to partake together. After the service, please dispose of your used communion cup.

(Grape juice is in the purple cups and wine in the clear. The bread is gluten and nut free)

Communion Song (Ensemble) I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say
Words by Horatius Bonar. Alt. by Kevin Twit. Music by Kevin Twit. Arr. by Joel Littlepage

Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Sending Song

Doxology
Trinity Hymnal #731

*Benediction

Nursery Volunteer (SS): Deborah Moen (please report to the toddler nursery directly following 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.

Volunteers today: Ushers: Roberts, Wong, Maglione, Alexander. Nursery: C. Waldron, J. Hendricks, L. Manwaring, S. Goldstein. SS: Moen. CC: Doiron, Hawley, Williamson. Next Sunday: Ushers: Schaffer, Schlitt, T. Thomason, Kocher. Nursery: Williamsons, Broughton, P. Waldron. CC: Jackson, Oehlerking, S. Goldstein.

The **Women's Tues. Bible study** meets on the 2nd & 4th Tues. at 7pm at Melissa Jorgensen's (5/14). The **Wed. Women's study** meets at 9am.

The **Men's Bible Study** of Daniel will meet Wed., May 15 at 6pm OR Fri., May 17 at 6:30am.

ACTION (All Church Things In One Night) meets Wed, May 15th. If you would like to order the Chipotle taco dinner (5:30pm) you must do so by Tues., May 14th at 10am. Then stay for ministries for all ages from 6-7:15pm.

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

Award-winning classical guitarist, **W. Mark Akin will be in concert** at Trinity on May 11th at 7:30pm. Tickets available on Church Center or at the door.

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!

The **next Men's Breakfast** is Sat., May 11 from 8-9:30am. Guest speaker, Steve O'Neal. Let us know you are coming using the QR code to the right.

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.

Mark your calendar for our next Prayer and Praise evening on Sat., Jun. 15th-The Psalms We Sing.

Children in nursery - 5th gr., along with their families, join us for **Summer Kickoff** on Sat., Jun. 8 from 3:30 - 7 pm for inflatables, activities, music, and fun! A hot dog dinner will be served at 5pm. Register on Church Center.

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:



OASIS BBQ

Join us as we host a BBQ for refugees and immigrants at Oasis International on May 18. This is an opportunity to welcome, serve, and bless, a growing population in St. Louis. Trinity will be providing burgers and hot dogs, as well as fun activities for the family. We will need a minimum of 30 adult/teen volunteers to help set up tables and chairs, and have fun. Sign up using the QR code above. Trinity is also collecting household goods to give to OASIS. See the table in the narthex for a list.

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.

Goers:

• Volunteer Opportunity -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—May 11

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.



• MAY 9th is GIVE STL DAY – several of our ministry partners are participating in this event. Depending on when money is given, donations can be amplified through matching. Either way, this is a great opportunity to support kingdom work.

Early giving has opened! Please prayerfully consider giving. Even as little as \$5 is a great help!

o **To give:** go to givestIday.org and search in the top-right corner for Forai, Thrive St. Louis, Oasis International, or Mission Gate.

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

- May 18th BBQ with Oasis International This is our event with Oasis! Don't miss it. It is for the whole family!
 - o This BBQ serves to strengthen the relationship that Oasis has with this community. At the same time, it is a unique opportunity for us to create and develop relationships with people who are very different from us, all while enjoying Arts and Crafts, a bounce house, a performance from Kinetic Tapestry (A Performing Arts Studio in St. Louis), Grilled Burgers and Hot Dogs.
 - We need at least 30 volunteers: Sign up to volunteer here:



• Starting TODAY! "House Warming" for refugee families in the St. Louis area. We'll be collecting donations of household goods, which will be presented to Oasis International at the Community Barbecue in May. A collection table will be set up in the narthex from April 28th-May 12th.

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.

