

TRINITY CHURCH

— KIRKWOOD —

2 CORINTHIANS 4:5

March 2, 2025

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.



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WORSHIPING THE GOD WHO HAS MADE HIMSELF KNOWN TO 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): Jessica Hendricks, Lori Nichols, Dave Nichols, Lily Polski

Liturgist: Rev. Dr. Chris Polski

Scripture Reader: Beth Williamson

Pastoral Prayer: Ruling Elder, Michael Jorgensen

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Missions Moment

Quotes and Reflection

I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ. — Philippians 1:3-6

"Faithfulness in little things is a big thing." — Chrysostom

"Faithfulness is our business; fruitfulness is an issue that we must be content to leave with God." — JI Packer

Devotional Preparation

An Excerpt from "God's Faithfulness in our Temptation," from Ligonier.org

The Israelites thought they would be fine when they associated themselves with paganism, but they fell into apostasy."

We see, then, that although God glorifies everyone whom He justifies (Rom. 8:29–30), we have a part to play in persevering in saving faith. We must not think ourselves so strong that we cannot fall into grievous or impenitent sin, but we must take heed of ourselves lest we fall. Christ will be faithful to complete the good work of salvation in everyone whom He regenerates (Phil. 1:6), but He does this by working in and through us so that we work out our salvation in fear and trembling, continuing to trust Jesus and repenting of our sin until the day we die (2:12–13). There is no contradiction between God's guaranteeing the salvation of all those who have true faith and the need of the truly converted to keep watch on their hearts. Charles Hodge comments, "Those whom God has promised to save, he has promised to render watchful."

We need not fear that the Lord will not enable us. As Paul concludes in 1 Corinthians 10:13, God will always give His people a way out of succumbing to temptation.

Song of Preparation

How Great Is Our God

Chris Tomlin, Jesse Reeves, and Ed Cash

G **Em7**



1. The splen - dor of the King, 7 clothed in maj - es - ty;
(2. And) age to age He stands, and time is in His hands;

4 **C2**



— Let all the earth re - joyce, all the earth re - joyce. He wraps
— Be - gin - ning and the End, Be - gin - ning and the End. The God -

7 **G** **Em7**



— Him - self in light, and dark - ness tries to hide,
head, three in one, 7 Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son,

10 **C2**



— and trem - bles at His voice, and trem - bles at His voice. How great
— the Li - on and the Lamb, the Li - on and the Lamb. How great

13 **G** **Em7**



— is our God! Sing with me: How great is our God!

16 **Cmaj7** **D** **G2**

Last time to Coda



— And all will see how great, how great is our God! 2. And

Call to Worship—Psalm 99 (selected)

Leader: The Lord reigns; let the peoples tremble!

People: He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!

Leader: Let them praise your great and awesome name!

People: Holy is he!

Leader: Exalt the Lord our God; worship at his footstool!

All: Holy is he!

Leader: O great and Holy Lord, come and inhabit your sanctuary today that we might declare your greatness and your might!

WE DECLARE THE ETERNAL WORTHINESS OF GOD

*Songs of Adoration

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

Henry F. Lyte

1. Praise, my soul, the King of heav - en, to his feet your trib - ute bring;
2. Praise him for his grace and fa - vor to our fa - thers in dis - tress;
3. Fa - ther - like, he tends and spares us; well our fee - ble frame he knows;
4. Frail as sum - mer's flow'r we flour - ish, blows the wind and it is gone;
5. An - gels, help us to a - dore him; you be - hold him face to face;

ran - somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en, who, like me, his praise should sing?
praise him, still the same for - ev - er, slow to chide and swift to bless;
• in his hands he gent - ly bears us, res - cues us from all our foes;
but while mor - tals rise and per - ish, God en - dures un - chang - ing on.
sun and moon, bow down be - fore him, dwell - ers all in time and space,

Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, praise the ev - er - last - ing King.
praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, glo - rious in his faith - ful - ness.
• praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, wide - ly as his mer - cy goes.
Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, praise the High E - ter - nal One.
praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, praise with us the God of grace.

Only A Holy God

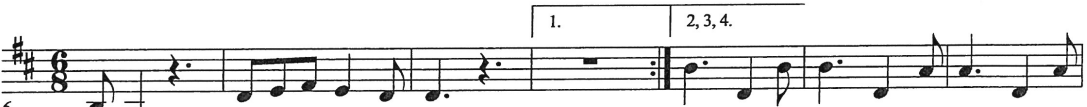
Michael Farren, Jonny Robinson, Dustin Smith, and Rich Thompson



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?



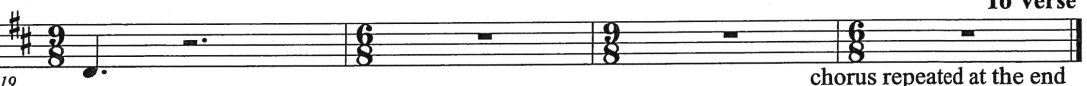
3 Who else could make - ev - 'ry king bow down? Who else can whis - per and dark - ness
What oth - er splen - dour out - shines the sun? What oth - er maj - es - ty rules with
What oth - er pow - er can raise the dead? What oth - er name re - ,ains un - de -
Who else would of - fer His on - ly Son? Who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



19 God.

*Prayer of Adoration

WE HEAR FROM GOD'S WORD

New Testament Reading—Luke 9:28-36

The Transfiguration

Now about eight days after these sayings he took with him Peter and John and James and went up on the mountain to pray. And as he was praying, the appearance of his face was altered, and his clothing became dazzling white. And behold, two men were talking with him, Moses and Elijah, who appeared in glory and spoke of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and those who were with him were heavy with sleep, but when they became fully awake they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. And as the men were parting from him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good that we are here. Let us make three tents, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah"—not knowing what he said. As he was saying these things, a cloud came and overshadowed them, and they were afraid as they entered the cloud. And a voice came out of the cloud, saying, "This is my Son, my Chosen One; listen to him!" And when the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and told no one in those days anything of what they had seen.

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—2 Corinthians 4:1-2

Therefore, having this ministry by the mercy of God, we do not lose heart. But we have renounced disgraceful, underhanded ways. We refuse to practice cunning or to tamper with God's word, but by the open statement of the truth we would commend ourselves to everyone's conscience in the sight of God.

Silent Confession and Lament

Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace—John 3:16

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

Leader: People of God, give thanks for the saving mercy of God!

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 Filled with Blood

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

♩ = 78

3 *Piano Intro*

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is a foun-tain filled with blood drawn from Im man-nuel's veins; and
 (2)dy-ing their re-joiced to see that foun-tain in his day; and
 (3)dy-ing Lamb, thy pre-cious blood shall nev-er lose its pow'r, till
 (4)since by faith I saw the stream thy flow-ing wounds sup-ply, re-
 (5)this poor lisp-ing stammering tongue lies sil-ent in the grave, then

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sin-ners, plunged be-neath that flood, lose all their guilt-y stains; lose
 there have I, though vile as he, washed all my sins a-way; washed
 all the ran-somed church of God be-saved, to sin no more: be
 deem-ing love has been my theme, and shall be till I die; and
 in a nob-ler, sweet-er song, I'll sing thy pow'r to save; I'll

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all their guilt-y stains, lose all their guilt-y stains; and
 all my sins a-way, washed all my sins a-way; and
 saved, to sin no more, be saved, to sin no more; till
 shall be till I die, and shall be till I die; re-
 sing thy pow'r to save, I'll sing thy pow'r to save; then

17

sin-ners, plunged be-neath that flood, lose all their guilt-y stains.
 there have I, though vile as he, washed all my sins a-way.
 all the ran-somed church of God be-saved to sin no more.
 deem-ing love has been my theme, and shall be till I die.
 in a nob-ler sweet-er song, I'll sing thy pow'r to save.

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(piano line)

- (2)The _____
- (3)Dear _____
- (4)E'er _____
- (5)When _____

WE HUMBLE OURSELVES BEFORE THE LORD

Pastoral Prayer



Tithes and Offerings

Children ages 3 (by July 31) through 1st grade are dismissed for Children's Church to Room 106B

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



Sermon

"The Church in Philadelphia"

Revelation 3:7-13

Sermon Series, The Seven Churches of Revelation
Rev. Tim Jackson

*Song of Response

The Lord Is My Salvation

Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty, Nathan Nockles, and Jonas Myrin. Arr. by Dustin Loehrs

F#m D ESus E F#m D ESus E

1. The grace of God has reached for_ me, And pulled me from the rag - ing sea.
 2. I will not fear when dark - ness falls, His strength will help me scale these walls.
 3. My hope is hid - den in the_ Lord, He flow'rs each pro - mise of His Word.
 4. In times of wait - ing, times of_ need, When I know loss, when I am weak.

4 D/F# E/G# A A/C# D Bm7 E 1.3. D/A E/A

And I am safe on this sol - id ground: The Lord is my sal - va - tion.
 I'll see the dawn of the ris - ing sun: The Lord is my sal - va - tion.
 When win - ter fades, I know spring will come: The Lord is my sal - va - tion.
 I know His grace will re - new these days: The Lord is my sal - va - tion.

8 2.4. D/AE/A A Refrain E D A/C# E D A/C#

tion. Who is like the_ Lord our God? Strong to save, faith - ful in love. My

13 F#m E/G# A A/C# D A/C# Bm7 E 1. [to verse] 2. D/A E/A D/A E/A

debt is paid and the vic - tory won: The Lord is my sal - va - tion. tion.

F#m D Esus E F#m D Esus E

5. And when I reach my fi - nal_ day, He will not leave me in the grave.

D/F# E/G# A A/C# D Bm7 E D/A E/A A

But I will rise, He will call me home: The Lord is my sal - va - tion.

Refrain
E D A/C# E D A/C#

Who is like the_ Lord our God? Strong to save, faith - ful in love. My

F#m E/G# A A/C# D A/C# Bm7 E A **Bridge**

debt is paid and the vic - tory won; The Lord is my sal - va - tion. Glo - ry

D A/C# E/G# F#m D A/C# E

be to God, the Fa - ther, Glo - ry be to God, the Son, Glo - ry

D A/C# C#m F#m Bm7 Esus ^{1.} A sus A

be to God, the Spi - rit; The Lord is our sal - va - tion. Glo - ry

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)

Nobody Greater

Darius Paulk

Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Sending Song

Doxology

Trinity Hymnal #731

*Benediction

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

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

SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Book of Ephesians- Ruling Elders Poe and Talent (Room 110)
Ruling Elders Talent and Poe will continue their verse by verse exposition of Paul's letter to the Church at Ephesus.

Reformed Theology- Pastor Polski (Room 111)

What are the core doctrines of the Christian faith and how do Reformed Christians articulate these doctrines? Join Pastor Polski as we explore the eight core doctrines of the Christian faith with an eye toward applying these great doctrinal truths to our everyday lives.

Adult Choir- Katie Polski and Abby Freeman (Fireplace Room)

Calling all singers! Join our Trinity choir March 2nd through April 27th. We'll learn pieces that we'll sing in worship throughout the spring (including Easter Sunday). No musical experience necessary; the only thing needed is a heart for worship and a desire to SING.

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.

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: Hendricks, L & D Nichols, Polski. SS: Oehlerking. CC: Doiron, Rosales, Kwong.

Next Sunday: Ushers: Roberts, Wong, Maglione, Alexander. Nursery: Keating, Schmidts, Marcus. SS: Pysar. CC: Steele, Manwarings.

The **Wednesday women's Bible studies** meet at 9am (childcare provided) OR 6:15pm. We are studying the Book of Colossians.

Men's Bible study: Meets on the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Wed. (6:15pm) or Fri. (6:30am) of the month.

Youth Ministry Sundays, 4:30-6:30pm.

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

Kingdom Kids meets the 2nd & 4th Sun. from 4:30-6:30 pm for ages 3yrs-5th grade (3/9). The children enjoy a shared meal, games, Bible lesson, and choir. It ins't too late to join the fun!

Kingdom Prayer: Join us on March 9 for a guided prayer meeting to pray for God to bring renewal to St. Louis. We will meet from 4:30-5pm in Room 111.

Men's Breakfast: Sat., Mar. 22 from 8-9:30am.

Interested in becoming a member of Trinity Church? Or maybe you want to learn more about our history, denomination, and ministries. Join our **Trinity Connect Class** on Mar. 7 and 8. Use the QR code for details.

Holy Week details: Maundy Thursday, Apr. 17th at 5:30pm. Join us for a light meal, singing, reflection, and the Lord's Supper. Space is limited so use the QR code to register. **Good Friday** self-guided Stations of the Cross and special music: Apr. 18, 6:30-8:30am and 3-8pm (with special music from 6:45-8pm). **Easter Sunday** services: 7am (outdoor) and 9:30am. To donate eggs for the **Easter Egg Hunt** use the QR code.

Daylight Saving: Don't forget to move your clocks ahead an hour on Sat. evening, Mar. 8th.

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: Erin Wagberg (Erin. Wagberg@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](#):



ART ENCOUNTERS

Come enjoy an evening of rest and connecting with Jesus in a fresh way on **Sat., Apr. 5 at 6:30pm**. We'll spend time in contemplation, reflection, and prayer as we consider how a historical painting forms us spiritually. Our guides, Melissa McKinney and Amanda Lennon, will gently lead us through a process that helps us comfortably engage with our painting and reflect on how God might be shaping us through it. Whether you are a long-time lover of art or feel brand new, this event is for you. Register using the QR code above.

MISSION UPDATE

ALL the links mentioned below can be found using this QR code:



Prayers: Scan the QR link for the **March** 2025 Newsletter and Prayer Calendar.

Goers:

Restore St. Louis – Second Saturday Workday is this upcoming March 8th. Come and give one Saturday morning this month to serve those in need of your hands and feet. Listen to the wonderful stories of God's faithfulness from elderly and widows, as we help to fix just a little bit of their homes.

If you are able to give the hours from 8:30am-12:30pm on Saturday, March 8th, please register using the QR code above.

Senders:

Youth Trivia Night – Come and enjoy a night of trivia to support Youth Missions on February 28th. This year our youth are traveling to Puerto Rico at the end of July. Gather 8 people and purchase a table or come as an individual and we'll find you a spot (kind of like casting lots). Don't miss this fun evening. For more info and to sign-up, scan the QR code above.

Welcomers:

Oasis International – a ministry to refugees and immigrants, has several opportunities to welcome the stranger. Current needs:

- **Nursery Workers:** Help care for children on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10:30 AM to 12:15 PM. You don't have to commit every week or even both days—any help is appreciated!
- **Diaper Delivery Teams:** Each month, we deliver 5,000 diapers to refugee moms in our area. This is a great opportunity to meet the same families regularly. Diapers can be picked up at Oasis and delivered to the homes within a 10-day window.
- **Furniture Delivery Teams:** We need men, women, and even children for these teams! Each team should have at least 4 able-bodied people who can lift 50 lbs, with a maximum of 15 people (8-12 people is ideal). Deliveries typically happen on Saturdays from 9:30 AM to 1:00 PM.
- **Service Groups:** Help with various tasks around the Oasis building, from cleaning to small repairs.
- **Individual Volunteers:** There are many positions available for individual volunteers, including organizing donations and answering phones.

Please contact Pastor Pablo for more information.

Mobilizers:

If you would like to join our Missions teams, please contact Pastor Pablo.

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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