



TRINITY CHURCH

— KIRKWOOD —

2 CORINTHIANS 4:5

March 8, 2020
The Second Sunday of Lent

Visiting with us today?

We are glad you are here! We would love to reach out to you (not in a nagging way) this week. Please fill out a card in the seat pockets and place in the offering basket or hand to an usher or pastor, or text your name to: **314-384-2444**.

We are happy your little ones are here too. They are welcome throughout the worship service, but if you prefer we offer:

- Nursery care for children 6 weeks through pre-school age.
- Children's Church gathers in the 1st & 2nd gr. classroom (room 111) during the offering for ages 4yrs through 2nd grade (and stays there for the remainder of the service).

WORSHIPING THE GOD WHO REMAINS FAITHFUL TO US

Liturgist: Matt Pannkuk

Pastoral Prayer: Ruling Elder, Greg Boehne

Scripture Reader: Peg Nichols

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Quotes and Reflections

“A man were better to say that there is no God than say that God is unfaithful.”
— Thomas Brooks

God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. — I Corinthians 1:9

“Great is thy Faithfulness, O God my Father. There is no shadow of turning with Thee!” — Thomas Chisolm

WE READY OURSELVES TO WORSHIP

Reflect quietly and prayerfully on these words as we prepare to enter into worship.

The Second Sunday of Lent- The Seed

During this Lenten season at Trinity we are growing a resurrection garden.

Last Sunday we initiated the garden by each contributing a handful of dirt. This was a symbol of what we contribute to our salvation...nothing! Just as our forerunners in faith would cover themselves in dust and ashes when they repented, so we to, in bringing those handfuls of dirt were recognizing that unless we are covered by the blood of Christ, we are lower than the dust and dirt of the ground before a Holy God.

As we come to this second Sunday of Lent, we turn our attention to the work that God does in redeeming us as symbolized in the sowing of a seed.

God is the first actor in our salvation and he does this by sowing the seed of salvation in our hearts. Paul reminds us of this in Ephesians 1:3-4:

³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, ⁴ even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world...

There, mixed into the dirt of our sin, God begins the process of creating new life by implanting the seed of faith. And He continuously works to nurture that new life whether we see it or not. God is at work! He is doing something in the dirt! Way down beneath the surface the Master is starting something new and rich and beautiful that will be fully revealed in each of our hearts when the time is right.

Song of Preparation (Congregation to join in on the chorus) *Break Us*

Kelley McRae

1. When I Stand in the pre-sence of a Ho - ly God — and I
 2. When I walk through the ev - il — and — strife of the earth, and I
 3. When my flesh it shall fa - il — and my work here is done. and the

flee and I co - ver my face. My heart filled with sha - me, yet You
 turn and I co - ver my eyes. The arms that do vio - lence while our
 heavn's and the earth are re - made. Though I sowed here in sor - row It'll be

still call my na - me, and You break me by the power of Your grace. —
 hearts watch in si - lence, won't you break them, by the power of Your grace. -
 glor - ious to - mor - row He'll re - make it, by the power of His grace. -

Break us — by the pow'r of Your grace, O Lord! —

Break us — by the pow'r of Your grace.

Break us, — re - make us, — don't let the sor - row take — us, — O —

break us — by the pow'r of Your grace!

Chords: D, G, D, A, D, G, D, D, G, D, D, D, G, D, A, Bm, G, D, A, D, D, A, D

***Call to Worship—Psalm 121**

Leader: I lift up my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come?

People: My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

Leader: He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber.

People: The Lord is our keeper; the Lord is our shade on our right hand.

Leader: The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore.

"The first foundation of righteousness undoubtedly is the worship of God." — Calvin

WE DECLARE THE ETERNAL WORTHINESS OF GOD

***Song of Adoration**

How Great Thou Art
Trinity Hymnal #44

***Prayer of Adoration**

WE HEAR FROM GOD'S WORD

New Testament Reading—Mark 8:31-38

Jesus foretells his death and resurrection

And he began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes and be killed, and after three days rise again. And he said this plainly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man."

And calling the crowd to him with his disciples, he said to them, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul? For what can a man give in return for his soul? For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of Man also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

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

People: Amen!

WE CONFESS OUR UTTER UNWORTHINESS BEFORE GOD

Call to Confession—Genesis 4:1-5

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."

So Abram went, as the Lord had told him, and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran.

Silent Confession and Lament

Song of Confession

From the Depths of Woe (Psalm 130)

(Verses 1-2) Words by Martin Luther. Music by Christopher Miner

guitar

8

12

16

20

25

Men:

Women:

1. From the depths of woe I raise to Thee, The voice of lam - en - ta -
 2. To wash a - way the crim - son stain, Grace, grace a - lone a - vail -

tion; Lord, turn a gra - cious ear to me And hear my sup - pli - ca -
 eth; Our works, a - las! Are all in vain; In much the best life fail -

tion; If thou in - i - qui - ties dost mark, Our se - cret sins and mis -
 eth; No man can glo - ry in thy sight, All must a - like con - fess

deeds dark, O who shall stand be - fore thee? O who
 thy might, And live a - lone by mer - cy And live
 O who shall stand be - fore
 And live a - lone by mer -

shall stand be - fore thee?
 a - lone by mer - cy

thee?
 cy

Who shall stand be - fore thee?
 Live a - lone by mer - cy

30 Bm Bm Bm A D A

There - fore my trust is in the Lord, And not

35 Bm G D A

in mine own mer - it; On Him my soul shall rest, His word up - holds

39 Bm G G A

my faint - ing spir - it; His prom - ised mer - cy is my fort, My com -

43 Bm G D A G

fort and my sweet sup - port; I wait for it with pa - tience. Wait for

48 A D A G A

it with wait for it with pa - tience. Wait for it with pa -

53 D D D D

tience.

4. What though I wait
 the live-long night,
 And till the dawn appeareth,
 My heart still trusteth in his might;
 It doubteth not nor feareth;
 Do thus, O ye of Israel's seed,
 Ye of the Spirit born indeed;
 And wait till God appeareth. (echo)
 And wait till God appeareth (echo)

5. Though great our sins
 and sore our woes
 His grace much more aboundeth;
 His helping love no limit knows,
 Our utmost need it soundeth.
 Our Shepherd good and true is He,
 Who will at last His Israel free
 From all their sin and sorrow (echo)
 From all their sin and sorrow (echo)
 From all their sin and sorrow (echo)

WE ENCOUNTER AND REJOICE IN THE AMAZING GRACE OF GOD

Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace—Rom. 4:1-5

What then shall we say was gained by Abraham, our forefather according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the Scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness." Now to the one who works, his wages are not counted as a gift but as his due. And to the one who does not work but believes in him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is counted as righteousness.

People: Thanks be to God!

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

People: And also with you!

***Song of Rejoicing**

From the Depths of Woe (Psalm 130)

(Verses 3-5)

"Joy is not an accident of temperament or an unpredictable providence; joy is a matter of choice." — J.I. Packer

WE HUMBLE OURSELVES BEFORE THE LORD

Pastoral Prayer

Tithes and Offerings

(Children ages 4yr to 2nd grade may be excused for Children's Church in the 1st/2nd grade classroom.)

Sermon

"Jesus Tries the Jewish Religious Leaders"

John 18:12-27

Rev. Chris Polski

*Song of Response

How Deep the Father's Love for Us

Words and Music by Stuart Townend

♩ = 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

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

Please remain seated and hold the elements until instructed to receive together.

(Please note: Grape juice is in the grape-tinted cups in the outer ring. Wine is in the clear cups. If the tray is out of grape juice, raise your hand and an elder will bring it to you.)

Communion Song (Ensemble)

Feast on His Love

Words by William Gadsby. Music by Jess and Annie Alldredge

Once more like children we are come, to banquet with our God;
May each one feel himself at home, and feast upon His love.

While we receive the bread and wine as emblems of Thy death,
Lord, raise each soul above the sign, to feast on Christ by faith.

We banquet with our God, feast on His love.

We would not come as strangers, Lord, who only see the sign,
But, as the objects of Christ's love, would feel we're one in him.

Like free-born songs, we would be free from ev'ry legal chain;
Praise him who brought our liberty, and ever with Him reign!

Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Sending Song

Doxology
Trinity Hymnal #731

*Benediction

"My own weakness makes me shrink, but God's promise makes me brave."
— C.H. Spurgeon

Adult Sunday School

Adult Sunday School Class

Join Pastor Polski for a SS series on the integrity of Holy Scripture. During this series we will examine the origins of the Bible, how it came together as one grand document and why we can believe that the Bible is exactly what it says it is, God's perfect and fully trustworthy word to mankind.

Children/Youth Sunday School

Classes

Pre K & K

1st & 2nd grade

3rd, 4th & 5th grade

Teachers

Jessica Doiron, Michelle Goldstein, Melissa Jorgensen,
Melissa Kocher

Mimi Steele, Sue Freeman, Beth Kling, Janice Koch

Gary & Patty Peterson, Bill & Laurel Elzinga, Scott & Amy
Mitchell

Jr. High Foundations Class

This spring semester in our jr high Sunday school class, we will be studying the Gospel of Mark along with the resource, Mark: The Gospel-Centered Life for Students by John Perritt. We will learn about the life and teachings of the authoritative Son of God, Jesus, through interactive discussion and engaging activities like Jeopardy!

Sr. High Formations Class

This semester the sr. high will be studying the Old Testament Book of 1 Samuel, and will focus on uncovering the pattern of God's faithfulness. We will look at how seeing this pattern builds and encourages our faith today.

These are just announcement highlights. If you'd like to know more about Trinity, connect with us in one of the following ways...

- 314/821-7311 • www.trinitychurchkirkwood.org • Facebook: Trinity Church Kirkwood

Worship and General Church Information

- **Sunday school classes** for all ages meet today.
- **Volunteers next week: Nursery:** Oehlerking, Lackey, Petty. SS: Harlow, Nichols. **Ushers:** Schlitt, Kwong, Schaffer, Sinclair. **Welcome team:** Boehne, Coulter, Kling.
- **Women's Bible Study:** The Tues. study will continue their look at the Psalms this Tues. at 7pm at Melissa Jorgensen's home. The Wed. group meets weekly at 9am to study Galatians.
- **Men's Bible Study this Fri.** at 6:30am. The men are studying the Book of Judges on the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Friday of the month.
- Did you know you can use the **Church Center app** for online giving, to sign up for events, connect with your small groups, bible studies, etc? Contact the church office for assistance.
- **Scripture Readers** needed for Sunday mornings March through May. Please see the sign up sheet in the hallway.
- If you do not receive our **weekly email updates** on Tuesday mornings, please send your email address to amymitchell@trinitystlouis.org.
- **Ministry opening:** The Children's worship team has a need for two more volunteers who would serve once a month. If you are interested please contact Graham Behnke.
- **Does your family enjoy the Sunday snacks?** If so, please consider signing up to bring a snack on a future Sunday. See Amy Mitchell or your weekly email.
- Now that the construction is coming to an end, we would like to do some **deep cleaning around the building**. If you are available **we could use your help on Wed., Mar. 18th from 9am to noon**. We will not have childcare because our hope is to tackle the nursery as well as several other areas. Please let Amy Mitchell know if you are able to help.
- Have you **considered serving as an AV member** at Trinity? If you have any interest in learning about our new sound system and the ways in which you can serve through this ministry, please join us for a special training time led by Dan Bailey on Sat., Mar. 28th from 8am to noon.
- **Open House! Join us on Sat., Mar. 28th from 6-8pm**. Come take a look around the new addition to our church home while enjoying appetizers and refreshments. Then meet up in the sanctuary at 7pm for a special Hymn Sing.
- **Calling all 4th-6th graders!** It is time to sign up for **Camp Strong**. April 17-19th. Sign up here: tiny.cc/4nsjiz.
- **Choral Ensemble** will be singing for BOTH Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday. Save the date for the **rehearsals: Wednesdays, March 25th, and April 1st and 8th** from 6-7pm.

- **All Church Work Day:** we hope you can join us **Sat., Apr. 4th from 9am to noon** as we care for our church grounds and maintenance on the building. Look for task sign up sheets coming soon.
- **Holy Week Services:** Maundy Thursday, Apr. 9th at 7pm, Good Friday, Apr. 10th at 7pm, Easter Sunday: 7am & 9:30am. This is a great time to invite someone to church. **Cards with the times of these services** can be found in the seat pockets. Feel free to take one and pass it along.
- **VBS will take place this summer** in the evenings of Jun 22-26th from 5:30-7:30pm. This free event is open to children ages 3yrs (potty trained) through children who have completed 4th grade. You may **register on our website or through Church Center.**
- **Ladies, be sure to save this date:** Fri., Apr.24th, we will have a special women's social. You won't want to miss out on this evening of fun with friends! More info coming soon.
- We are hoping to have a good group of Trinity ladies (and friends) attend the **Gospel Coalition Women's Conference** on Jun. 11-13th in Indianapolis. If you are interested in going, please contact Amy Mitchell. Scholarships and financial aid available.

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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