



# TRINITY CHURCH

— KIRKWOOD —

2 CORINTHIANS 4:5

August 16, 2020

# WORSHIPING THE GOD WHO IS COMPASSIONATE

**Liturgist:** Rev. Nate Taylor

**Pastoral Prayer:** Ruling Elders, Bill Elzinga and Bill Kling

**Scripture Reader:** Louise Jones and Beth Kling

## Quotes and Reflections

“One cannot be a missionary church and continue insisting that the world must come to the church on the church’s terms. It must become a ‘go’ structure. And it can do that only when its concerns are directed outside itself toward the poor, the abused, and the oppressed. The church must recapture its identity as the only organization in the world that exists for the sake of its nonmembers.” — Harvie Conn

“The whole earth, then, belongs to Jesus. It belongs to him by right of creation, by right of redemption, and by right of future inheritance — as Paul affirms in the magnificent, cosmic declaration of Colossians 1:15-20. So wherever, we go in his name, we are walking on his property. There is not an inch of the planet that does not belong to Christ. Mission then is an authorized activity carried out by tenants on the instructions of the owner of the property.” — Christopher J.H. Wright

“Failure to honor God in the material realm cannot be compensated for by religiosity in the spiritual realm.” — Christopher J.H. Wright

“When Jesus sent out his disciples on his mission, he showed them his hands and his side. They will share in his mission as they share in his passion, as they follow him in challenging and unmasking the powers of evil. There is no other way to be with him. At the heart of mission is simply the desire to be with him and to give the service of our lives. At the heart of mission is thanksgiving and praise.” — Lesslie Newbigin

“In the early church, we see something of a community that understood its identity as a people called to bear witness to the kingdom of God in the midst of and for the sake of the world.” — Michael Goheen

“The Great Commission is not an option to be considered; it is a command to be obeyed.” — Hudson Taylor

# Prelude

## Welcome and Announcements

### Song of Preparation

### *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

## **\*Call to Worship—Psalm 67:1-5, 7**

Leader: May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us,

**People: That your way may be known on earth, your saving power among all nations.**

Leader: Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

**People: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.**

Leader: Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

**All: God shall bless us; let all the ends of the earth fear him!**

# WE DECLARE THE ETERNAL WORTHINESS OF GOD

## \*Songs of Adoration

## *Hail to the Lord's Anointed*

Words by Jame Montgomery (alt. S. McCracken). Music by Sandra McCracken

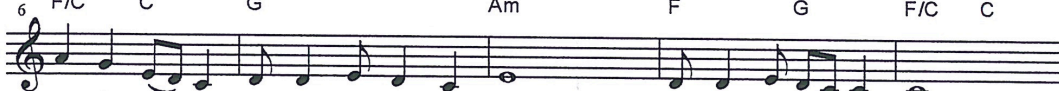
### Chorus

F/C C F/C C F/C C Am G F/C C



Hail to the Lord's a - nointed great Da - vid's great-er Son! Hail in the

6 F/C C G Am F G F/C C



time ap - pointed, His reign on earth be - gun! His reign on earth be - gun!

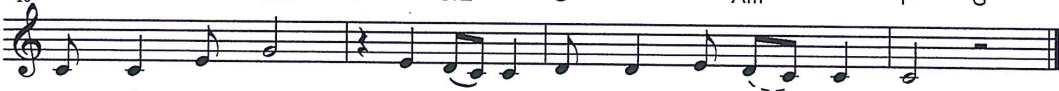
### Verses

11 F/C C F C/E F C/E F C/E Dm



1.He comes to break op - pres-sion, to set the cap - tive free;  
2.He comes with com - fort speed-y to those who suf - fer wrong;  
3.To give them songs for sigh-ing, their dark - ness turned to light,  
4.He shall come down like show-ers up - on the fruit - ful earth;  
5.The tide of time shall nev - er his cov - e - nant re - move;

16 F C/E F C/E G Am F G



to take a - way trans - gres-sion and rule in eq - ui - ty. (vss. 1, 3, 4, 5 to chorus)  
to help the poor and need - y, and bid the weak be strong.  
whose souls, con - demned and dy - ing, were pre - cious in his sight.  
love, joy, and hope, like flow-ers, spring in His path to birth.  
his name shall stand for - ev - er, that name to us is Love.

# Wonderful, Merciful Savior

Words and Music by Dawn Rodgers and Eric Wyse

C F/C C Dm/C C C/E

1. Won - der - ful, mer - ci - ful Sav - ior, pre - cious Re -  
 2. Coun - se - lor, Com - fort - er, Keep - er, Spir - it we  
 3. Al - might - y, in - fi - nite Fa - ther, faith - ful - ly

6 F C/E Dm G<sup>sus</sup> G E/G# Am Am/G F

- deem - er and — Friend; — Who would have thought that a Lamb  
 long to em - brace; — You of - fer hope when our hearts  
 lov - ing Your — own; — Here in our weak - ness You find

12 C/G G<sup>7sus</sup> E/G# Am F F/A C/G

could res - cue the souls of men? Oh, — You res - cue the  
 have hope - less - ly lost the way. Oh, — we hope - less - ly  
 us fall - ing be - fore Your throne. Oh, — were fall - ing be -

**CHORUS**

18 Fmaj<sup>7</sup>/G G<sup>7</sup> F/C G/C C G/B Am Am/G F

souls of men. — You are the One that we praise, —  
 lost the way. —  
 -fore Your throne. —

24 G E/G# Am Am/G F G E/G# Am

— You are the One we a - dore. — You give the

30 C/G F C/G G<sup>7sus</sup> E/G# Am F F/A

heal - ing and grace our hearts al - ways hun - ger for, oh, — our

37 C/G Fmaj<sup>7</sup>/G G<sup>7</sup> 1, 2.  
C C<sup>2sus</sup> C F/C

hearts al - ways hun - ger for. —

**\*Prayer of Adoration**

# WE HEAR FROM GOD'S WORD

## Old Testament Reading—Genesis 45:1-15

### *Joseph Provides for His Brothers and Family*

Then Joseph could not control himself before all those who stood by him. He cried, "Make everyone go out from me." So no one stayed with him when Joseph made himself known to his brothers. And he wept aloud, so that the Egyptians heard it, and the household of Pharaoh heard it. And Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph! Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, for they were dismayed at his presence.

So Joseph said to his brothers, "Come near to me, please." And they came near. And he said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed or angry with yourselves because you sold me here, for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years, and there are yet five years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. And God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God. He has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt. Come down to me; do not tarry. You shall dwell in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, and your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. There I will provide for you, for there are yet five years of famine to come, so that you and your household, and all that you have, do not come to poverty.' And now your eyes see, and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see, that it is my mouth that speaks to you. You must tell my father of all my honor in Egypt, and of all that you have seen. Hurry and bring my father down here." Then he fell upon his brother Benjamin's neck and wept, and Benjamin wept upon his neck. And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them. After that his brothers talked with him.

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

**People: Thanks be to God!**

## WE CONFESS OUR UTTER UNWORTHINESS BEFORE GOD

### **Call to Confession—Matthew 15:10-11, 17-20**

And he called the people to him and said to them, "Hear and understand: it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but what comes out of the mouth; this defiles a person...Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth passes into the stomach and is expelled? But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this defiles a person. For out of the heart come evil thoughts, murder, adultery, sexual immorality, theft, false witness, slander. These are what defile a person. But to eat with unwashed hands does not defile anyone."

### **Silent Confession and Lament**

## WE ENCOUNTER AND REJOICE IN THE AMAZING GRACE OF GOD **Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace—Isaiah 55:1**

Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and he who has no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.

Leader: People of God, give thanks to God for his  
compassionate grace!

**People: Thanks be to God!**

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

**People: And also with you!**

### **Song of Rejoicing**

*And Can It Be That I Should Gain*

Trinity Hymnal #455



WE HUMBLE OURSELVES BEFORE THE LORD

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Tithes and Offerings**

**Offertory Song** (Ensemble)

*He Is Among Us*

Orlando Palmer, Isaac Wardell, Paul Zach, John Swinton, Andy Piercy

**Sermon**

"A Church Committed to Mercy & Outreach"

The Fifth Sermon in a Series on the Core Values of Trinity Church

Acts 3


Rev. Nate Taylor

# \*Song of Response

# O Church Arise


Words and Music by Keith Getty and Stuart Townend

A7sus D G/B A/C#




1. O Church, a - rise, and put your ar - mour on; Hear the  
 2. Our call to war, to love the cap - tive soul, but to  
 3. Come see the cross, where love and mer - cy meet, as the  
 4. So Spir - it, come, put strength in ev - 'ry stride, give\_

3 D/F# G Asus A D A7sus D




call of Christ our Cap - tain. For now the weak can say that  
 rage a - gainst the cap - tor; And with the sword that makes the  
 Son of God is strick - en; Then see His foes lie crushed be -  
 grace for ev - 'ry hur - dle; That we may run with faith, to

6 G/B A/C# D/F# G Asus A D D/F#




they are strong, in the strength that God has giv - en. With shield of  
 wound - ed whole, we will fight with faith and val - our. When faced with  
 neath His feet, for the Con - quer - or has ris - en. And as the  
 win the prize of a serv - ant, good and faith - ful. As saints of

9 G D/F# A D/F# G D/F# Bm




faith and belt of truth, we'll stand a - gainst the dev - il's  
 trials on ev - 'ry side, we know the out - come is se -  
 stone is rolled a - way and Christ e - merg - es from the  
 old still line the way, re - tell - ing tri - umphs of His

12 A A7sus D G/B A/C#



lies; An ar - my bold, whose bat - tle cry is Love, reach - ing  
 cure. And Christ will have the prize for which He died, an in -  
 grave, this vic - t'ry march con - tin - ues till the day ev - 'ry  
 grace, we hear their calls, and hun - ger for the day when, with

15 D/F# G Asus A D Dsus D



out to those in dark - ness.  
 her - it - ance of na - tions.  
 eye and heart shall see Him.  
 Christ, we stand in glo - ry.

## \*Benediction

We will dismiss by rows following the benediction

**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](http://www.trinitychurchkirkwood.org) • Facebook: Trinity Church Kirkwood

Worship and General Church Information

**Please look for communication mid-week about ongoing activities at church. We will let you know if there is a change to any of the activities below.**

- Pastor Polski is sharing a **Sunday school series** on the Apostle's Creed on our Trinity Church Kirkwood Facebook page.
- **See today's insert** on how you can help our Online Learning Assistance Ministry (OLAM). See the previous email sent to register your child or to apply for a learning assistant position. You may also make a financial donation by going to Church Center, then giving, then picking OLAM. Email [OLAM@trinitystlouis.org](mailto:OLAM@trinitystlouis.org) for more information.
- **No Men's Bible Study this Friday.** The study takes place on the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Friday of each month at **6:30am**, using a hybrid format. The men will continue to work through the Book of Judges.
- The **Wednesday Women's Bible study** will begin on Sept. 9th using a hybrid format in the morning (9am), allowing those who would like to attend in person to do so, with the option of a live Zoom stream. We will also offer a Zoom study at 7:30pm. **Please sign up on the Church Center app** under "groups." The ladies will be studying 1 & 2 Samuel this fall and spring.
- **Ladies Connect:** In years past the words "back to school" brought joy and sadness. This year there seems to be many other emotions associated with this phrase. Whether you are super excited about remote learning, joyful about in person school, freaked out about so, so many things, or concerned about the children in our community, this is an event for you. Please join us to pray and socialize about the coming school year. You don't have to be a mom to appreciate the craziness of this time of year so **anyone is welcome to join us.** Please bring a chair and whatever you would like to eat and drink, to **Sugar Creek Park (435 Des Peres Road, 63131) August 24th at 7pm.**
- **Ladies, our Tues. evening study will begin on Sept. 15th.** This semester we will be going through Tim Keller's book, Generous Justice. More details to come.
- **Middle School Summer Study:** Sunday evenings from 5:30-7pm in the Student Ministries area. We will be continuing our study called Life in 6 Words: The Gospel Explored. Students need to bring a mask.
- **High School Summer Study:** Wednesday nights from 7-8:30pm in the Student Ministries area. We will be continuing our study called Life in 6 Words: The Gospel Explored. Students need to bring a mask.
- 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.
- **We are temporarily offering two morning services** (8:45 and 10:45). We ask that you sign up for one of the services or let us know if you are flexible (if you haven't already done so). You may **sign up on the Church Center app under the events tab, or call or email Amy Mitchell** ([amymitchell@trinitystlouis.org](mailto:amymitchell@trinitystlouis.org)) at the church office. **You only need to sign up once.**
- If you do not receive our **weekly email updates** on Tuesday mornings, please send your email address to [amymitchell@trinitystlouis.org](mailto:amymitchell@trinitystlouis.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.