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WORSHIPING THE GOD WHO WORKS FOR US

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Pastoral Prayer: Ruling Elder, Michael Jorgensen

Scripture Reader: Gary Peterson and Shaun Thomason

Quotes and Reflections

Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth."

— Genesis 1:26

When the righteous prosper, the city rejoices. — Proverbs 11:10

"Too many Christians worship their work, work at their play and play at their worship." — Anon.

"Human beings were made to work, because the God who made them was a working God." — Sinclair Ferguson

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

WE READY OURSELVES TO WORSHIP

An Excerpt from chapter one of "Kingdom Calling" by Amy Sherman (Dr. Tim Keller)

"If the missional call of the church is to 'rejoice' our cities by offering our neighbor's foretastes of kingdom realities, we need to understand what the Scriptures tell us about the coming kingdom...One helpful way of identifying these kingdom features is to examine closely the 'preview' passages in the Bible. Pop a movie into your DVD player, and you'll first see previews of coming attractions. Similarly, throughout the Bible are previews of the coming 'feature film:' the kingdom of God in all its consummated fullness. These texts offer us glimpses into what life will be like in the new heavens and new earth.

"Jesus used a preview passage (Is. 61:1-2) when he stood up in a Nazarene synagogue and announced his mission on earth. Many believers are familiar with preview passages like Isaiah 11:6 (the wolf will lie down with the lamb) and Micah 4:3 (they will beat their swords into plowshares because these are commonly read during Advent. Many other preview passages, however, are less familiar.

"These preview passages offer us a clear view of the characteristics of the consummated kingdom. Preeminently, the preview passages reveal that the consummated kingdom is marked by two major, closely related features: justice and shalom. A rejoiced city, therefore, is one where ever-greater tastes of justice and shalom are made real."



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*Call to Worship—Psalm 105:1-4

Leader: Oh give thanks to the Lord; call upon his name; make

known his deeds among the peoples!

People: Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his

wondrous works!

Leader: Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who

seek the Lord rejoice!

People: Seek the Lord and his strength; seek his presence

continually!

All: Praise the Lord!

WE DECLARE THE ETERNAL WORTHINESS OF GOD

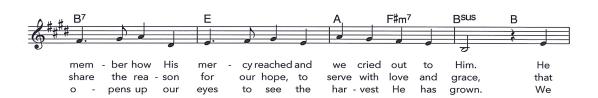
*Songs of Adoration

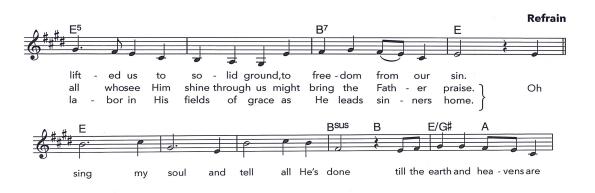
Lift High the Name of Jesus

Words and Music by Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty, Fionan de Barra, and Ed Cash











Behold Our God

Words and Music by Stephen Altrogge, Jonathan Baird, Ryan Baird, and Meghan Baird



*Prayer of Adoration

WE HEAR FROM GOD'S WORD

Old Testament Reading—Exodus 3:1-15

God reveals himself to Moses at the burning bush

Now Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law, Jethro, the priest of Midian, and he led his flock to the west side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. And the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush. He looked, and behold, the bush was burning, yet it was not consumed. And Moses said, "I will turn aside to see this great sight, why the bush is not burned." When the Lord saw that he turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Do not come near; take your sandals off your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." And he said, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Then the Lord said, "I have surely seen the affliction of my people who are in Egypt and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters. I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the place of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. And now, behold, the cry of the people of Israel has come to me, and I have also seen the oppression with which the Egyptians oppress them. Come, I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring my people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt." But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the children of Israel out of Egypt?" He said, "But I will be with you, and this shall be the sign for you, that I have sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain."

Then Moses said to God, "If I come to the people of Israel and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" God said to Moses, "I am who I am." And he said, "Say this to the people of Israel: 'I am has sent me to you.'" God also said to Moses, "Say this to the people of Israel: 'The Lord, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you.' This is my name forever, and thus I am to be remembered throughout all generations."

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—James 4:13-17

Come now, you who say, "Today or tomorrow we will go into such and such a town and spend a year there and trade and make a profit"— yet you do not know what tomorrow will bring. What is your life? For you are a mist that appears for a little time and then vanishes. Instead you ought to say, "If the Lord wills, we will live and do this or that." As it is, you boast in your arrogance. All such boasting is evil. So whoever knows the right thing to do and fails to do it, for him it is sin.

Silent Confession and Lament

WE ENCOUNTER AND REJOICE IN THE AMAZING GRACE OF GOD Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace—Titus 3:4-7

But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

Leader: People of God, give thanks to God for giving us the

riches of His grace!

People: Thanks be to God!

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

People: And also with you!

WE HUMBLE OURSELVES BEFORE THE LORD

Pastoral Prayer

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Song (Ensemble)

King of Kings

Brooke Ligertwood, Jason Ingram, and Scott Ligertwood. Arr. by Dan Galbraith

Sermon

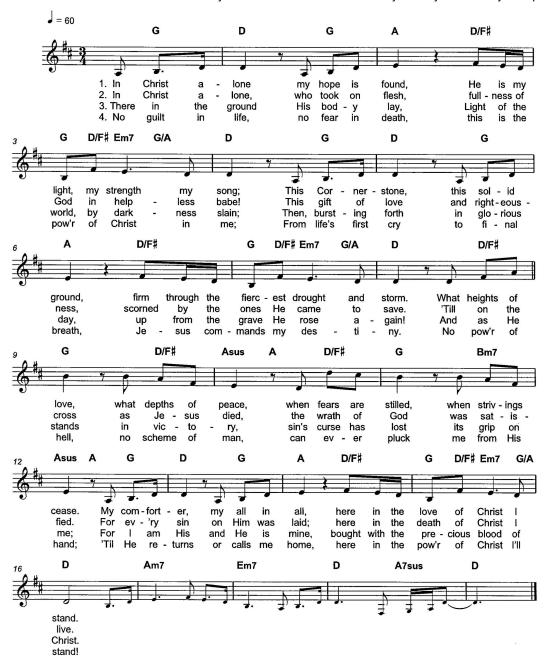
"Your Work Matters!"

The Seventh Sermon in a Series on the Core Values of Trinity Church
Colossians 3:23-24
Rev. Chris Polski

*Song of Response

In Christ Alone

Words and Music by Stuart Townend and Keith Getty. Arr. by Joshua Bryant Spacht



*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 • 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.
- Small Group information went out via email this past week. Sign up today at the Welcome Center or go to your Church Center app.
- Our Online Learning Assistance Ministry is still in need of volunteers and paid learning assistants. Please email olam@trinitystlouis.org if you are interested.
- 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" or email Amy Mitchell. The ladies will be studying 1 & 2 Samuel this fall and spring.
- Ladies, our Tues. evening study will begin on Sept. 15th. This semester we will be going through Tim Keller's book, <u>Generous Justice</u>. More details to come.
- No Jr. & Sr. High small groups this week.
- 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.
- If you do not receive our **weekly email updates** on Tuesday mornings, please send your email address to amymitchell@trinitystlouis.org.

Trinity's ministries are organized around the core values in purpose statement which reads: Trinity Church exists to exal name, establish God's people, equip God's church and er God's world, in the power of the Holy Spirit and for the sake Risen King, Jesus Christ.	lt God's ngage