



TRINITY CHURCH

— KIRKWOOD —

2 CORINTHIANS 4:5

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WORSHIPING THE GOD WHO MADE US IN HIS IMAGE

Liturgist: Rev. Chris Polski

Pastoral Prayer: Ruling Elder, Tom Schmidt

Scripture Reader: Josie Standerfer and Peg Nichols

Quotes and Reflections

And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. — 2 Corinthians 4:3-4

"This sense of being made in God's image calls us all constantly to look for it in others and to do what we can to help them acknowledge it and to realize it by joining in worship. We thereby carry to others the answer to their inmost longing, a yearning for union with the Trinity, a thirst to respond with adoration to the God who made them." — Marva Dawn

"There are no gradations in the image of God. Every man from a treble white to a bass black is significant on God's keyboard, precisely because every man is made in the image of God. One day we will learn that. We will know one day that God made us to live together as brothers and to respect the dignity and worth of every man." — Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

WE READY OURSELVES TO WORSHIP

An Excerpt from an Essay by Rev. Dr. Richard Phillips:

<https://www.thegospelcoalition.org/essay/man-as-the-image-of-god/>

“One of the chief questions that anyone can ask is: 'Who am I?' The Bible answers that we are living creatures made by God to bear his own image. The stamp of God is seen in our moral and spiritual nature, in our shared love within community, in our dominion on God’s behalf, and especially in our calling to communion with God in knowledge and righteousness. There is nothing that could grant a greater dignity, along with humility before God – together with a higher sense of calling and privilege – than to realize that we are creatures designed to know and be known by God and to love and be loved by our Maker.

The problem of mankind, however, is that the image of God has been shattered by sin. A good illustration of the image of God in fallen man is that of an automobile windshield that has shattered. The glass remains there but it is so damaged that it will no longer function properly.

This dire situation after the Fall raises a final question: can the image of God be restored? And if the original, glorious image of God in man can be restored, who will be the one to do it? The answer to this greatest of all questions is the main subject of the entire Bible, the good news of Jesus Christ, God’s Son. There is hope for us in our sin because of the grace of God which fulfills his original plan for creation. Jesus came not only to restore our original righteousness which was lost through sin but to grant us his own. He fulfilled the law of God on our behalf and then offered his own life as a sacrifice to God’s justice for the forgiveness of our sins. Romans 3:25 explains: 'for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith.'”

Song of Preparation

Still, My Soul, Be Still

Words and Music by Keith & Kristyn Getty and Stuart Townend

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

1. Still, my soul, be still and do not fear though winds of change may rage to-mor-row.
 2. Still, my soul, be still; do not be moved by less-er lights and fleet-ing shad-ows.
 3. Still, my soul, be still; do not for-sake the truth you learned in the be-gin-ning.

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

God is at your side; no long-er dread the fires of un-ex-pect-ed sor-row.
 Hold on to His ways, with shield of faith a-against temp-ta-tion's flam-ing ar-rows.
 Wait up-on the Lord, and hope will rise as stars ap-pear when day is dim-ming.

Refrain

F#m E/G# A Bm F#m D Esus E

God, You are my God, and I will trust in You and not be shak-en.

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

Lord of peace, re-new a stead-fast spir-it with-in me to rest in You a

F#m7 Dma9 F#m7 Dma9

lone.

last time
A

***Call to Worship—Isaiah 42 (selected)**

Leader: Thus says God, the Lord, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people on it and spirit to those who walk in it:

People: "I am the Lord; I have called you in righteousness;

Leader: I will take you by the hand and keep you; I will give you as a covenant for the people, a light for the nations,

People: To open the eyes that are blind,

Leader: To bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness.

All: I am the Lord; that is my name; my glory I give to no other."

WE DECLARE THE ETERNAL WORTHINESS OF GOD

*Songs of Adoration

Christ is Mine Forevermore

Jonny Robinson and Rich Thompson

Verse

5 B \flat B \flat (sus4) B \flat Gm F B \flat

8 days that God has num-bered I was made to walk with Him Yet I
tears in times of sor - row dark-ness not yet un - der stood Through the
days here as a stran - ger pil - grim on a nar - row way One with

9 B \flat B \flat (sus4) B \flat Gm F B \flat B \flat /D

8 look for worl-dly treas - ure and for - sake the King of kings But mine is
val - ley I must tra - vel Where I see no earth-ly good But mine is
Christ I will en - coun - ter harm and hat - red for His name But mine is

Refrain

13 E \flat B \flat F B \flat B \flat /D

8 hope in my Re-deem - er though I fall His love is sure For Christ has
peace that flows from hea - ven And the strength in times of need I know my
ar - mour for this batt - le Strong e - nough to last the war And He has

17 E \flat B \flat F 1.2. B \flat 3. B \flat B \flat /D

8 paid for ev'-ry fail-ing I am His for - ev - er more shore And mine are
pain will not be was-ted Christ completes His work in me
said He will de - liv - er Safe - ly to the gol-den

Refrain

E \flat B \flat F

8 keys to Zi - on Ci - ty Where be - side the King I

B \flat B \flat /D E \flat B \flat F **To Coda** B \flat

walk for there my heart has found its trea sure Christ is mine for-ev-er more

Turnaround

B \flat B \flat (sus4) B \flat B \flat F B \flat

B \flat B \flat (sus4) B \flat B \flat F B \flat

Come re -

Bridge

B \flat B \flat /D E \flat B \flat F

joice now O my soul for His love is my re - ward Fear is

B \flat B \flat /D E \flat F B \flat B \flat B \flat B \flat /D

gone and hope is sure Christ is mine for-ev-er more Come re -more And mine are

D.S. al Coda

B \flat F B \flat F B \flat

more Christ is mine for-ev-er more Christ is mine for-ev-er more **Guitar melody**

O Great God

Words and Music by Bob Kauflin

$\text{♩} = 72$

INTRO

$B\flat$ F Gm^7 $F/E\flat$ $B\flat/D$ $B\flat$ $E\flat$ F^{sus} F



1. O great

VERSE 1 & 2

6

$B\flat$ $E\flat/F$ $B\flat$ Cm $B\flat/D$ $E\flat$ $B\flat$ $E\flat/F$



God of high - est heav'n, oc - cu - py my low - ly heart. Own it all and reign su -
(2.) blind - ed by my sin, had no ears to hear Your voice, did not know Your love with-

11

$B\flat$ Cm F^{sus} F $B\flat$ F Gm $F/E\flat$ $B\flat$ F



-preme, con - quer ev - 'ry re - bel pow'r. Let no vice or sin re - main that re -
-in, had no taste for heav - en's joys. Then Your Spir - it gave me life, o - pened

16

Gm^7 $E\flat$ F^{sus} F $E\flat^2/G$ F/A $B\flat$ $B\flat/D$



-sists Your ho - ly war. You have loved and pur - chased me, make me
up Your word to me through the gos - pel of Your Son, gave me

20

$E\flat$ F^{sus} F 1. INSTRUMENTAL 1 $B\flat$ F Gm^7 Cm F^{sus} F $E\flat/F$ 2. $B\flat$ F



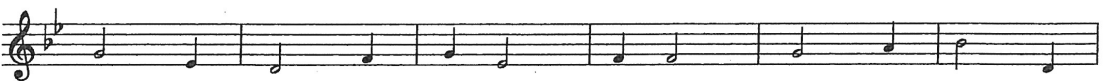
Yours for - ev - er more.
end - less hope — and

2. I was peace.

INSTRUMENTAL 2

25

Gm^7 $F/E\flat$ $B\flat/D$ F Gm^7 $E\flat$ F^{sus} F $E\flat^2/G$ F/A $B\flat$ $B\flat/D$



VERSE 3

31 Eb F^{sus} F G^{sus} G G^{sus} C F⁶ C Dm C/E

3. Help me now to live a life that's de - pen - dent on Your

36 F C/G F⁶ C/E Dm G^{sus} G C G

grace. Keep my heart and guard my soul from the e - vils that — I face. You are

41 Am G/F C G Am⁷ F G^{sus} G F²/A G/B

wor - thy to be praised with my ev - ry thought and deed. O great God of high - est

46 C C/E F G^{sus} G

1.
C G

2.
C G

heav'n, glo - ri - fy Your Name — through me. You are me.

ENDING

50 Am⁷ G/F C/E Dm⁷ C/E G^{sus} G C

*Prayer of Adoration

WE HEAR FROM GOD'S WORD

New Testament Reading—Philippians 2:1-11

A call to Christ-like humility

So, if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

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—Exodus 17:1-4

All the congregation of the people of Israel moved on from the wilderness of Sin by stages, according to the commandment of the Lord, and camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. Therefore the people quarreled with Moses and said, "Give us water to drink." And Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?" But the people thirsted there for water, and the people grumbled against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us up out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and our livestock with thirst?" So Moses cried to the Lord, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me."

Silent Confession and Lament

WE ENCOUNTER AND REJOICE IN THE AMAZING GRACE OF GOD

Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace—John 1:14-17

And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth... For from his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.

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!

***Song of Rejoicing**

Blessed Assurance

Trinity Hymnal #693

"My worth is what I am worth to God, and that is a marvelous great deal, for Christ died for me." — William Temple

Sacrament of Covenant Baptism (10:45 service)

Charles Philip Waldron III

Baptismal Song (10:45 service)

Jesus Loves Me, This I Know

Trinity Hymnal #189

WE HUMBLE OURSELVES BEFORE THE LORD

Pastoral Prayer

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Song (Ensemble)

All Things Bright and Beautiful

Cecil Alexander. Arr. by Sandra McCracken

Sermon

"Made in the Image of God"

A Sermon Series on the Book of Genesis

Genesis 1:24-31

Rev. Chris Polski

***Song of Response**

All Creatures of Our God and King

Trinity Hymnal #115 (vv. 1, 2, 4, 5)

***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.
- **Volunteers next Sunday: Ushers:** Hendricks, Roberts, O'Neal, Lackey, Maglione. **Scripture Readers:** TBD (8:45), Glynn Schlitt (10:45).
- **Small Groups** are a great way to get connected. For more information pick up a flyer at the Welcome Center.
- **Ladies, our Tues. evening study meets two Tuesdays a month at 7pm.** This semester we will be going through Tim Keller's book, Generous Justice. You will have the option to meet at Trinity or via Zoom. Our next gathering **THIS TUESDAY**.
- **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** meets weekly 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. The ladies will be studying 1 & 2 Samuel this fall and spring.
- **Ladies Connect TOMORROW at Trinity at 6:30pm.** We will be having social distant fun at the picnic tables near the playground, while doing a secret service project for some of the more secluded women of the church. Please bring any drink and/or snack you'd like. **Please note the change in time and location from previous announcements.**
- 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.
- **Not registered to vote?** Barb Petty will be in the Narthex today and next Sunday to get you registered.
- The **Kirkwood area Life Chain will occur on Sun., Oct. 4th** from 2-3pm at the intersection of Manchester and Ballas Roads. All are invited to participate.

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.