

2 CORINTHIANS 4:5

June 20, 2021

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.



WEEKLY SERVICES & MEETINGS

SUNDAY

9:30am worship Sunday School | 11am Jr. High Small Group | 5:30pm

WEDNESDAY Sr. High Small Group | 7-8:30pm FRIDAY
Men's Bible Study | 6:30am

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WORSHIPING THE GOD WHO RIGHTS OUR WRONGS

Liturgist: Jerome Merritt

Scripture Reader: Peg Nichols

Pastoral Prayer: Ruling Elder, Bill Elzinga

Quotes and Reflections

"That God should pity the world I understand, because when I walk into a hospital and see a sick child, I pity the child...but that God should love the world—the more I think about it, the more staggered I am." — F.B. Meyer

Our guilty spirits dread To meet the wrath of heaven; But in his righteousness arrayed, We see our sins forgiven!

— Isaac Watts

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

WE READY OURSELVES FOR WORSHIP

Sinclair Ferguson on How to Mortify (Put to death) our Sin (Col. 3:1-7)

1. Learn to admit sin for what it really is.

Call a spade a spade — call it "sexual immorality," not "I'm being tempted a little"; call it "impurity," not "I'm struggling with my thought life"; call it "evil desire, which is idolatry," not "I think I need to order my priorities a bit better." This pattern runs right through this whole section. How powerfully this unmasks self-deceit — and helps us to unmask sin lurking in the hidden corners of our hearts!

2. See sin for what your sin really is in God's presence.

"On account of these the wrath of God is coming" (3:6). The masters of the spiritual life spoke of dragging our lusts (kicking and screaming, though they be) to the cross, to a wrath-bearing Christ. My sin leads to — not lasting pleasure — but holy divine displeasure. See the true nature of your sin in the light of its punishment. Too easily do we think that sin is less serious in Christians than it is in non-believers: "It's forgiven, isn't it?" Not if we continue in it (1 John 3:9)! Take a heaven's-eye view of sin and feel the shame of that in which you once walked (Col. 3:7; see also Rom. 6:21).

3. Recognize the inconsistency of your sin.

You put off the "old man," and have put on the "new man" (3:9–10). You are no longer the "old man." The identity you had "in Adam" is gone. The old man was "crucified with him [Christ] in order that the body of sin [probably "life in the body dominated by sin"] might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin" (Rom. 6:6). New men live new lives. Anything less than this is a contradiction of who I am "in Christ."

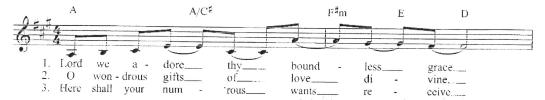
4. Put sin to death (Col. 3:5).

It is as "simple" as that. Refuse it, starve it, and reject it. You cannot "mortify" sin without the pain of the kill. There is no other way! But notice that Paul sets this in a very important, broader context. The *negative* task of putting sin to death will not be accomplished in isolation from the *positive* call of the Gospel to "put on" the Lord Jesus Christ (Rom. 13:14). Paul spells this out in Colossians 3:12–17. Sweeping the house clean simply leaves us open to a further invasion of sin. But when we understand the "glorious exchange" principle of the Gospel of grace, then we will begin to make some real advance in holiness.

As sinful desires and habits are not only *rejected*, but *exchanged* for Christ-like graces (3:12) and actions (3:13); as we are clothed in Christ's character and His graces are held together by love (v. 14), not only in our private life but also in the church fellowship (vv. 12–16), Christ's name and glory are manifested and exalted in and among us (3:17).

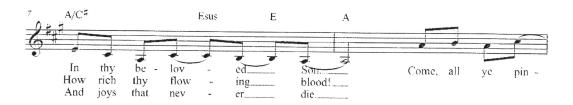
Song of Preparation

Come, All Ye Pining, Hungry, Poor Anne Steele I Brian Murphy













Call to Worship—Psalm 9 (selected)

Leader: The Lord is a stronghold for the oppressed, a

stronghold in times of trouble.

People: And those who know your name put their trust in you,

Leader: For you, O Lord, have not forsaken those who seek

you.

People: Sing praises to the Lord, who sits enthroned in Zion!

Leader: I will be glad and exult in you;

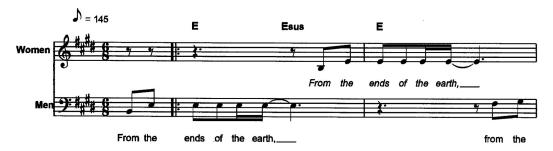
All: We will sing praise to your name, O Most High.

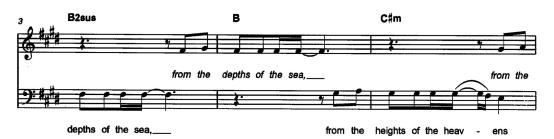
WE DECLARE THE ETERNAL WORTHINESS OF GOD

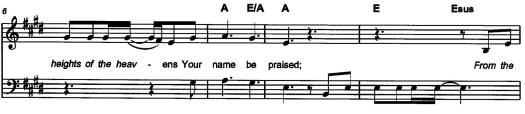
*Songs of Adoration

Lord Most High

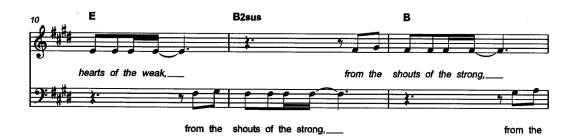
Words and Music by Don Harris and Gary Sadler







Your name be praised; From the hearts of the weak,___













Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

Text: Henry Lyte I Music: John Gross



*Prayer of Adoration

WE HEAR FROM GOD'S WORD

New Testament Reading—2 Corinthians 6:1-10

Now is the day of salvation!

Working together with him, then, we appeal to you not to receive the grace of God in vain. For he says,

"In a favorable time I listened to you, and in a day of salvation I have helped you."

Behold, now is the favorable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. We put no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: by great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, the Holy Spirit, genuine love; by truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; through honor and dishonor, through slander and praise. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold, we live; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, yet possessing everything.

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—Mark 4:35-41

On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, "Let us go across to the other side." And leaving the crowd, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. And other boats were with him. And a great windstorm arose, and the waves were breaking into the boat, so that the boat was already filling. But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion. And they woke him and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" And he awoke and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm. He said to them, "Why are you so afraid? Have you still no faith?" And they were filled with great fear and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

Silent Confession and Lament

WE ENCOUNTER AND REJOICE IN THE AMAZING GRACE OF GOD

Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace—Romans 4:5-8

And to the one who does not work but believes in him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is counted as righteousness, just as David also speaks of the blessing of the one to whom God counts righteousness apart from works. "Blessed are those whose lawless deeds are forgiven, and whose sins are covered; blessed is the man against whom the Lord will not count his sin "

Leader: People of God, give thanks to God for covering our sins!

People: Thanks be to God!

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

People: And also with you!

*Song of Rejoicing

WE HUMBLE OURSELVES BEFORE THE LORD **Pastoral Prayer**

Tithes and Offerings

(Children ages 4yr to 2nd grade may be excused for Children's Church)

Offertory Song (Ensemble)

Sun of My Soul

Words and Music by Kristyn Getty and Sandra McCracken

Sermon

"Amazing Grace for Assorted Sins" Genesis 20:1-18 Rev. Dr. Chris Polski

For today's sermon outline scan here with your phone camera:



*Song of Response

O Great God

Words and Music by Bob Kauflin





"No duty is more urgent than that of returning thanks!" — Ambrose

*Benediction

UPCOMING EVENTS

No Sunday school classes today. We will resume next Sunday.

Please be sure to **sign the Trinity Hymnal** in the Narthex for the Taylors.

Men's Bible Study this Fri. at 6:30am at Trinity or via Zoom.

Ladies, General Assembly is not just for the pastors and elders. There are lots of events for you too! Scan the QR code for more information and to register.



1000 plus pastors and elders will be coming to St. Louis for **General Assembly** Jun. 28-Jul. 2. If you would like to **volunteer** to help serve, scan the QR code with your phone camera.



If you do not receive our **weekly email updates** on Tuesday mornings, please send your email address to amymitchell@trinitystlouis.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 (PaulSchaffer1012@gmail.com), Children's Church: Melissa Kocher (medcalf.melissa@gmail.com), Greeters: Elisa Tharp (elisa.f.tharp@gmail.com), Nursery: Sarah Oehlerking, Deborah Moen, Alyssa Hall, and Ruth Harlow (nursery@trinitystlouis.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.

Congregational Meeting

The Session of Trinity Church, pursuant to BCO 23, is calling a congregational meeting for Sun., July 18 at 11:00am for the purpose of dissolving the pastoral relationship between Nate Taylor and the congregation of Trinity Church Kirkwood and recommending Nate, with great joy and thanksgiving for his service at Trinity, to the care of Mission to the World as he pursues his calling to overseas missions.

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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