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OCTOBER 29, 2023

Honor God.
Welcome All.
Embody Christ's Reign.

Order for the Worship of God

October 29, 2023 Reformation Day

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to all who will come, this church opens wide her doors and offers a welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Entering God's Presence

Prelude

*Call to Worship

Rev. Ryan Hudson

PASTOR: Blessed is the Kingdom of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

PEOPLE: Amen!

PASTOR: The LORD is good to all.

PEOPLE: And his mercy is over all that he has made.

PASTOR: 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!

PASTOR: Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice!

From Psalm 145

*Prayer of Adoration

*Hymn of Adoration

"A Mighty Fortress"

Verse 1, Trinity Children Congregation please join on verse 2

Confession of Sin

Rev. Mitchell Carter

PASTOR: Let us now confess our sins together:

All:

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the pattern of this world and the desires of our hearts. We have broken your holy laws. We have left undone those things we ought to have done, and we have done those things we ought not to have done. There is no health in us. O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Forgive our sins and restore to us the joy of your salvation; give light to our minds, strength to our wills, and rest to our souls, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Silent Confession

Song of Confession

"Trisagion"

*Assurance of Pardon and Comfort

PASTOR: There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, new creation! The old has passed away, ALL: behold, the new has come! 2 Corinthians 5:17

*Extending God's Welcome of Peace

PASTOR: The peace of Christ be with you!

PEOPLE: And also with you!

*Song of Renewal

"His Mercy Is More"

COMMITTING TO GOD'S KINGDOM

*Confession of Faith

PASTOR: Christian, what is your only comfort in life and death?

All:

That I am not my own, but belong with body and soul, both in life and in death, to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from all the power of the devil. He also preserves me in such a way that without the will of my heavenly Father not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, all things must work together for my salvation. Therefore, by his Holy Spirit he also assures me of eternal life and makes me heartily willing and ready from now on to live for him

Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 1

Kingdom Reading

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Psalm 130

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Colossians 2:6-15

LEADER: This is Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Prayer of Intercession

Peter Robertson

Common Prayer

Leader: Let us now join our voices together praying:

All:

Lord God, heavenly Father, you did not spare your only Son, but gave him up for us all to be our Savior, and along with him you have graciously given us all things. We thank you for your precious, saving gospel, and we pray that you would help us to believe in the name of our Savior faithfully and steadfastly, for he alone is our righteousness and wisdom, our comfort and peace, so that we may stand on the day of his appearing; through Jesus Christ, your dear Son, our Lord. Amen.

Kingdom Giving & Meditation

"This Is My Father's World"

*Doxology

LISTENING TO GOD'S WORD

"The Growth of the Kingdom" Matthew 13:24-43 Series: The Gospel According to Matthew Rev. Mitchell Carter (See insert for Sermon Notes)

FEASTING AT GOD'S TABLE

Holy Communion (see insert)

Trinity Presbyterian Church welcomes all baptized Christians who are willing to forsake their sins and trust in Christ for salvation, and who are members in good standing of a congregation that proclaims the gospel, to receive Holy Communion with us. Baptized covenant children who have not made profession of faith before the elders should abstain from communion until they are received as communing members by the session. TPC serves wine and grape juice for communion. The clear cups contain wine and the purple cups contain grape juice. The communion bread in the purple cups is gluten free.

Song of Communion

"The Church's One Foundation"

GOING OUT WITH GOD'S BLESSING

*Song of Sending

"We Will Feast in the House of Zion"

*The Sending

Pastor:

Then Jesus told his disciples, "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 will find it." Matthew 16:24-25

PEOPLE: With the Lord's help, we will do this!

*Benediction

PASTOR: The LORD bless you and keep you. The LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you. The LORD lift up his countenance upon you

Numbers 6:24-26 and give you peace.

PEOPLE: Amen!

*Postlude

Musicians: Jonathan Oldham, Jackie Pasarilla, & Callie Widener Song Leaders: Tim Dunn, Kimberly Robertson, & Laura Robertson

This Week at TPC

Sunday, October 29 Christian Education (CE) | 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

School of Christian Theology | 4:00 - 5:15 p.m. Trinity Choir Rehearsal | 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, October 31 Men's Fellowship | 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Wednesday, November 1 No TYG The Gathering

English Language Class (ELC) | 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Thursday, November 2 Thursday Morning Women's Bible Study | 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Thursday Evening Women's Bible Study | 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Upcoming Events

Children's Advent Choir

Children in 1st - 5th grade are invited to participate in preparing a special anthem to present at the Lessons & Carols service on Sunday, December 3, and during worship on Sunday, December 10. This will be different than the music done during the CE hour and will require time commitments outside of CE (see below).

- Rehearsals: Sundays at 8:45 a.m., November 5, 12, 19, 26, & December 10
- Lessons & Carols Service: Arrive at 5:30 p.m. on December 3 for the 6:00 p.m. service
- Sunday Worship: Arrive at 8:45 a.m. for worship on December 10

English Language Class (ELC)

ELC is growing! We are seeking volunteers to help in our English Language Class ministry. Volunteers are needed in several areas including teachers, conversation leaders, childcare workers, and snack providers. For more information, email Melodie Widener at elc@trinitymboro.com.

Thanksgiving Dinner, Sunday, November 12

Our TPC Thanksgiving Dinner is coming soon! Please join us for a wonderful family time of food, fun, and fellowship, on Sunday, November 12, at 5:00 p.m. at the church. Keep an eye out for a sign-up link next week.

Women's Retreat - Save the date!

Ladies, please join us for the 2024 Women's Retreat, February 16 - 17 at Deer Run Retreat Center in Thompson Station, TN. Details to follow soon!

Upcoming Preaching Schedule

Over the next few weeks, we will hear from Matthew 13:44-58 (Nov. 5), Matthew 14:1-12 (Nov. 12), and Matthew 14:13-21 (Nov. 19). Reading the sermon passage before coming to worship is a great way to prepare your heart and mind to receive God's word.

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Guests! We are especially glad that you have chosen to worship with us this morning. It is our hope that worship is an encouragement to you and that you will have opportunity to return soon. Please take time to fill out the Guest Info Slip on the insert and place it in the offering plate or in the box located in the foyer. If you have any questions about our church, feel free to email Pastor Mitchell at mitchell@trinitymboro.com

Located in the front foyer, our Welcome Center has resources available such as weekly sermon manuscripts, ministry brochures, sign-ups, and our most current church member directory. There are also Bibles for use on the side table including large print editions.

Hearing Assistive Devices are available at the sound booth.

Church Leadership

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TPC Family, please know that if you are in need of physical or financial help, let our deacons know by reaching out to them personally or by emailing the chair of the Diaconate, Charles McGaughy, at deacons@trinitymboro.com. And if you are in need of counsel or prayer, please let our elders know by reaching out personally or emailing Mitchell, who is the moderator of the Session, at mitchell@trinitymboro.com.

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SERMON NOTES

"The Growth of the Kingdom" Matthew 13:24-43

What does the growth of the kingdom of heaven look like?
• Contaminated for now, but pure when Jesus Returns (v. 24-30, 36-43)
• Insignificant and slow for now, but amazing in the end (v. 31-33)
Member/Guest Info
Please fill in form and place in the offering plate or box in the foyer. Thank you!
Name
Address
Phone

☐ I would like more information about Trinity Presbyterian Church.

■ *I want to receive the weekly E-news.

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FEASTING AT GOD'S TABLE

The Great Thanksgiving

PASTOR: The Lord be with you.
PEOPLE: And with your spirit.
PASTOR: Lift up your hearts.

PEOPLE: We lift them up to the Lord.

PASTOR: Let us give thanks to our Lord God.

PEOPLE: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

PASTOR: It is indeed good, right and our delight that we should at all times

and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we praise and magnify your glorious Name,

evermore praising You and singing...

ALL: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest!

Prayer of Consecration

Words of Institution

Response of the People

PASTOR: Christ our Passover was sacrificed for us!

People: Hallelujah!

PASTOR: Let us proclaim the mystery of the faith:

ALL: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Hallelujah!

Pastor: And now Our Holy Master, that with boldness and without

condemnation, we dare to call upon You, the Heavenly God, as our

Father, and to say:

ALL: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy

kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Pastor: The holy gifts of God for the holy people of God. Take them in

remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts

by faith and with thanksgiving. Let us partake of the feast!

Prayer I	Request			

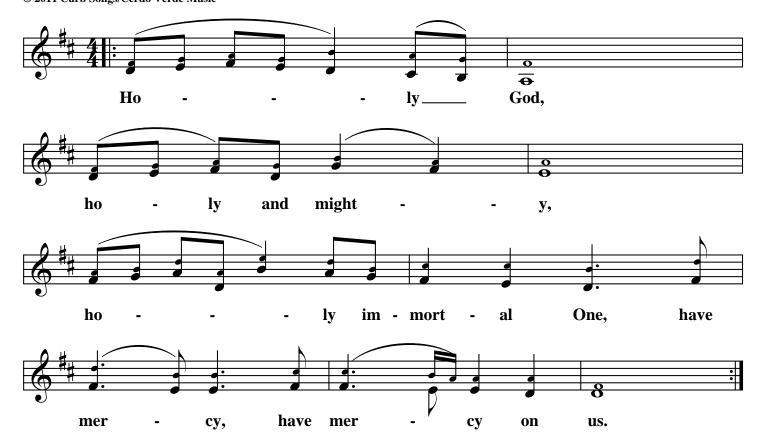
A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

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Trisagion (Holy God)

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Holy God, Holy and mighty, Holy immortal One, Have mercy, Have mercy...

Have mercy, Have mercy on us.

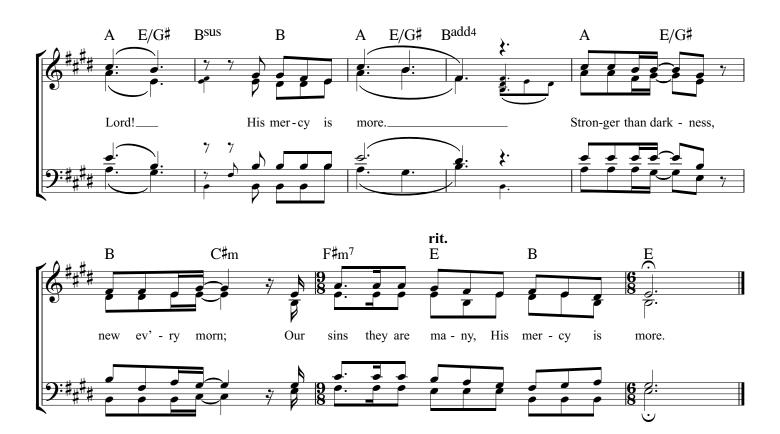
His Mercy is More

Words and Music by Matt Boswell and Matt Pana





His Mercy is More (Hymnal, Key of E)



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This Is My Father's World

Sovereign Lord ... you made the heaven and the earth and the sea, and everything in them. Acts 4:24



The Church's One Foundation

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- 3. Though with a scornful wonder, men see her sore oppressed by schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed; yet saints their watch are keeping, their cry goes up, "How long?" and soon the night of weeping, shall be the morn of song.
- 4. The church shall never perish, her dear Lord to defend, to guide, sustain and cherish, is with her to the end; though there be those that hate her, and false sons in her pale, against a foe or traitor, she ever shall prevail.
- 5. Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war, she waits the consummation of peace forevermore; till with the vision glorious, her longing eyes are blest, and the great Church victorious shall be the Church at rest
- 6. Yet she on earth hath union with God, the Three in One, and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won, O happy ones and holy, Lord give us grace that we like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with Thee.

We Will Feast In The House Of Zion

Words and Music by Sandra McCracken and Joshua Moore

