# TRINITY

PRESBYTERIAN (PCA) · MURFREESBORO



MARCH 3, 2024

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

# ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

March 3, 2024

Third Sunday in Lent

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

Blessed is the kingdom of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Pastor:

Spirit.

Amen! PEOPLE:

PASTOR: This is the day the that LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

PEOPLE: Out of my distress I called on the LORD; the LORD answered me

and set me free.

Pastor: The LORD is on my side; I will not fear. What can man do to me?

PEOPLE: You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God; I

will extol you.

ALL: Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love

> endures forever! Amen! From Psalm 118

\*Prayer of Adoration

\*Hymn of Adoration

"All Creatures of Our God and King"

Confession of Sin

Rev. Mitchell Carter

PASTOR: Let us now confess our sins together:

Almighty, eternal God and Father, we confess and acknowledge ALL: that we have sinned against you; we have given in to our temptation rather than resisting the devil; we have been quick to disregard your law and slow to obey it. We are sorry for our sins, and ask you to

> Have mercy upon us, most gracious and merciful Father, through your Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ. Increase the work of your Holy Spirit in us-that we may recognize our sin and unrighteousness, that we may have true repentance and sorrow for them, that we may die to them completely, and that we may please you entirely by new obedience and a godly life. Amen.

# **Silent Confession**

# Song of Confession

"Lord Have Mercy"

# \*Assurance of Pardon and Comfort

PASTOR: The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger

forever. He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from Psalm 103:8-12

Restore to us the joy of our salvation, and uphold us with a willing ALL: Psalm 51:12 spirit. Amen.

# \*Extending God's Welcome of Peace

The peace of Christ be with you! PASTOR:

And also with you! PEOPLE:

# \*Song of Renewal

"From the Depths of Woe"

# COMMITTING TO GOD'S KINGDOM

# \*Confession of Faith

PASTOR: Christian, in whom do we believe?

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, ALL:

> Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,

begotten of his Father before all worlds,

God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,

begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father;

by whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven

and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary,

and was made man;

and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered and was buried;

and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets; and we believe in one holy catholic1 and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins;

and we look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Nicene Creed - 381 AD

<sup>1</sup>The term "catholic" refers to the church universal, knowing no racial, economic, or geographic barriers.

# Kingdom Reading

Peter & Kimberly Robertson

Psalm 19

READER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God!

1 Corinthians 1:18-25

READER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God!

**Prayer of Intercession** (followed by a season of silent prayer)

Paul Shearer

# Common Prayer

PASTOR: Let us now join our voices together praying:

ALL: Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves

to help ourselves. Keep us, both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be kept through adversity and protected from the onslaughts of sin and Satan. Through

Jesus we pray, Amen.

**Kingdom Giving & Song of Meditation** "Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting"

\*Doxology

# LISTENING TO GOD'S WORD

"Little Faith"
Matthew 17:14-27
Series: The Gospel According to Matthew
Rev. Ryan Hudson
(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

"Be Thou My Vision"

#### GOING OUT WITH GOD'S BLESSING

# \*Song of Sending

"By Faith"

#### \*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 and give you peace.

Numbers 6:24-26

PEOPLE: Amen.

# \*Postlude

Musician: Jackie Pasarilla, Callie Widener, & Ella Widener Song Leaders: Rhonda McDaniel, Paul Pasarilla, & Kimberly Robertson

# This Week at TPC

Sunday, March 3 Children's Palm Sunday Choir Rehearsal | 8:45 – 9:15 a.m.

Corporate Worship | 9:30 a.m. Christian Education | 11:00 a.m. TPC 101 | 12:45 - 2:45 p.m.

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

Monday, March 4 Women's Evening Bible Study | 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Tuesday, March 5 Men's Fellowship | 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Wednesday, March 6 Women's Morning Bible Study | 9:45 - 11:30 a.m.

TYG The Gathering | 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

ELC | 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

# **Upcoming Events**

# Lenten Prayer Guides Available

Please take a guide for prayer and Scripture reading during the season of Lent. Hard copies are on the large table in lobby, and a digital version can be found on our website.

# Trinity Choir Rehearsals | 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

The Trinity Choir is rehearsing on Sunday evenings through March 24th for Holy Week. Tonight is the last night for new people to join us for this season. Sing for Good Friday or Resurrection Sunday or both. Contact Kimberly at music@trinitymboro.com for more information and to sign up.

# TPC 101 | Sundays, February 25 - March 10

This class is for those who would like to place membership at Trinity, or simply learn more about the church. It will take place on three consecutive Sundays (Feb. 25, Mar. 3, Mar. 10) from 12:45-2:45 p.m. We invite anyone coming to bring a sack lunch and stay after CE until the class if you would like to. Childcare will be offered for the class. Register via the link in enews or by emailing admin@trinitymboro.com.

## Children's Palm Sunday Choir Rehearsals

Children in 1st-5th grade are invited to join the Children's Palm Sunday Choir, which will be singing a song on Palm Sunday (March 24). Rehearsals will be Sundays, 8:45 - 9:15 a.m. Email children@trinitymboro.com for more information and to register.

# Ladies Art Evening & Paint Class | March 15 | 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Please join us for a painting class, or bring your own art or hand-craft project to work on, as we gather for a Ladies' Art Evening on March 15th from 6:30-8:30pm at Trinity. Lori White will lead up to twenty-four ladies in a guided painting. We will also have a spot to gather and work on your own art or craft project as we visit and snack. Please note: there are 24 spots for painting, but unlimited room for those who want to bring their own project to work on, or just visit. Looking forward to seeing you there!

# Children's Egg Hunt | March 16 | 10:00 a.m.

Kids, bring your baskets and come play some games and enjoy refreshments! Invite your friends!! Please let us know if you can join us at children@trinitymboro.com

# TPC Men's Softball Practice | Thursdays, beginning March 7

TPC Men's Softball practice begins Thursday, March 7. Games will be on Thursday evenings, April - June. Please contact Chris Nowlin at 615-513-9778 to join.

# Men's Retreat | March 22 - 23

All men are invited to join us for the Men's Retreat, March 22 - 23, at Trinity. Eric Klumpe will be speaking on a Christian approach to Creation and science. Meals will be provided. Email Matthew Alexander at matthewalexander 215@gmail.com to register.

# TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

1020 N. Rutherford Blvd, Murfreesboro TN 37130 Office (615) 895-2018 • Email: admin@trinitymboro.com www.trinitymboro.com

**Trinity Presbyterian Church** is a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA) and a member of the Nashville Presbytery. For more information about Trinity Presbyterian, visit www.trinitymboro.com. For more information about the Presbyterian Church in America, visit www.pcanet.org.

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, and sign-ups. There are also Bibles for use on the side table including large print editions. The church nursery is located through the foyer and to the right and serves children birth through Pre-K.

Hearing Assistive Devices are available at the sound booth.

# Church Leadership

# **ELDERS**

Mitchell Carter, Moderator

Jim Harris

Eric Klumpe †

Rick Malone, Clerk

Phil Newman

Paul Pasarilla †

Ron Phillips

Peter Robertson

Paul Shearer, Treasurer

Kim Sokoya †

Randy Thompson †

Pleun Troost †

†Not currently on the Session

#### **DEACONS**

Charles McGaughy, Chair

Dean Cardel

Monty Lee

Chris Nowlin

Allen Pfingsten

John Pipes

Paul Vitolins

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.

Senior Pastor: Rev. Mitchell Carter (mitchell@trinitymboro.com)

Assistant Pastor: Rev. Ryan Hudson (ryan@trinitymboro.com)

Director of Children's Christian Formation: Sherry Nowlin (children@trinitymboro.com)

Director of Music Ministries: Kimberly Robertson (music@trinitymboro.com)

A/V Coordinator: David White (tech@trinitymboro.com)

Nursery Coordinator: Kelley Pellegrin (nursery@trinitymboro.com)

Administrative Assistant: Sabrina Vlahos (admin@trinitymboro.com)

# SERMON NOTES

"LITTLE FAITH" MATTHEW 17:14-27

| Mean    | /Crream                | Ta area |
|---------|------------------------|---------|
| MEMBER. | $/(C_{\tau} \Box EST)$ | INF()   |

| MEMBER/ GUEST INFO  |  |  |
|---|--|--|
| Please fill in form and place in the offering plate or box in the foyer. Thank you! |  |  |
| Name  |  |  |
| Address   |  |  |
| Phone   |  |  |
| Email   |  |  |
| ☐ I would like more information about Trinity Presbyterian Church.                  |  |  |
| □ *I want to receive the weekly E-news.   |  |  |

#### 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 Request