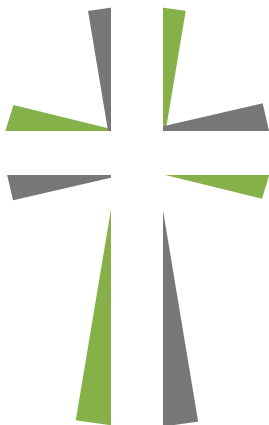


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AUGUST 6, 2023

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

A Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA)

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

August 6, 2023

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

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. Mitchell Carter

PASTOR: Our help is in the name of the LORD!

PEOPLE: **For he is the Maker of heaven and earth!**

PASTOR: Shout for joy in the LORD, O you righteous! Praise befits the upright. Give thanks to the LORD with the lyre; make melody to him with the harp of ten strings! Sing to him a new song; play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts.

PEOPLE: **For the word of the LORD is upright, and all his work is done in faithfulness. He loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of the steadfast love of the LORD. By the word of the LORD the heavens were made, and by the breath of his mouth all their host.**

PASTOR: The LORD looks down from heaven; he sees all the children of man; from where he sits enthroned he looks out on all the inhabitants of the earth, he who fashions the hearts of them all and observes all their deeds. Behold, the eye of the LORD is on those who fear him, on those who hope in his steadfast love, that he may deliver their soul from death and keep them alive in famine.

ALL: *Our soul waits for the LORD; he is our help and our shield. For our heart is glad in him, because we trust in his holy name. Let your steadfast love, O LORD, be upon us, even as we hope in you.*

From Psalm 33

*Prayer of Adoration

*Hymn of Adoration

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

Confession of Sin

Rev. Ryan Hudson

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: I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules.

Ezekiel 36:25-27

ALL: **Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, new creation! The old has passed away, 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** “Come Thou Fount”

COMMITTING TO GOD’S KINGDOM

***Confession of Faith**

PASTOR: Christian, in whom do we believe?
ALL: We believe in God the Father Almighty,
 Maker of heaven and earth.

We believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
 who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
 and born of the virgin Mary.
 He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, died, and was buried;
 he descended into hell.
 The third day he rose again from the dead.
 He ascended into heaven
 and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
 From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the holy catholic¹ church,
 the communion of saints,
 the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body,
 and the life everlasting. Amen.

Apostles’ Creed

¹The term “catholic” refers to the church universal, knowing no racial, economic, or geographic barriers.

Kingdom Reading Pleun Troost

Proverbs 13:1-14

READER: This is the Word of the Lord.
ALL: Thanks be to God!

John 20:1-18

READER: This is the glorious gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ!
ALL: Glory be to you, Lord Christ!

Prayer of Intercession Ron Phillips

Common Prayer

LEADER: Let us now join our voices together praying:
ALL: Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast in your mercy. Amen.

Kingdom Giving & Meditation “Amazing Grace”

***Doxology**

LISTENING TO GOD’S WORD

“Our Keeper”

Psalm 121

Series: The Psalms for the Christian Life

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 receiving 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

“Abide with Me”

GOING OUT WITH GOD’S BLESSING

*Song of Sending

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

*The Sending

PASTOR: Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Colossians 3:16-17

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

*Benediction

PASTOR: Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever.

Jude 24-25

PEOPLE: Amen!

*Postlude

Musicians: Barbara Ehresman & Anna Robertson

Song Leaders: Kimberly Robertson, Laura Robertson, & Paul Shearer

*The Congregation stands

This Week at TPC

Wednesday, August 9 Summer Youth Series - "Holy Spirit" | 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Upcoming Events

All Church Potluck & Ministry Fair on August 13

On Sunday, August 13 during the Christian Education (CE) hour, 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., we will be holding a Potluck & Ministry Fair in the sanctuary. During this time, our ministry leaders will give brief presentations on each of our church's ministries, including opportunities for you to get involved or serve. While our ministry leaders are presenting, we will also share a meal together. Email Sabrina at admin@trinitymboro.com for the potluck signup link.

Back to School Prayer

Today, during the Prayer of Intercession, a prayer will be said for students, teachers, and education staff of any age from Pre-K through college. This includes homeschool, public and private schools. After the service, those people can pick up a small gift on the table in the lobby to kick off their year.

Back to School Block Party Hosted by Trinity Youth Group

Calling all youth and their families to join us on Wednesday, August 16th, at 6:00 p.m. for a Back-to-School Block Party! We'll have food, music, and outdoor games and activities to kick off the school year right!

Children's CE Substitute Teachers Needed

We are so grateful to each of you who have stepped up to teach Children's CE this year. Praise God that all teaching slots have been filled! The Children's Ministry is still seeking to add names to our substitute teacher list. If you would be interested in subbing intermittently in Children's CE, please email Sherry Nowlin at children@trinitymboro.com.

Men's Fellowship Kick-Off

All men of the church are invited to join us on August 22, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. at Trinity for our Men's Fellowship Kick-Off. We will enjoy a low country boil provided by George Conlin. Please email admin@trinitymboro.com to RSVP by August 17.

Women's Fellowship Kick-Off

Ladies, save the date! Join us for some friendly competition at Trivia with Pastor Ryan on Saturday, August 26, 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. at Trinity. We will share hors d'oeuvres and fellowship with old friends and new. More details to come.

Financial Peace University, led by Chris & Sherry Nowlin

Chris & Sherry Nowlin are leading a Financial Peace University class starting on Monday, August 14, 2023. The class will take place at Trinity Presbyterian Church. This is an opportunity to learn how you can pay off debt and save money. You may email Chris Nowlin at cnowlin39@gmail.com for more information and to register.

Summer Youth Series - "Holy Spirit"

Our Summer Youth Series will meet on Wednesdays, from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. at Trinity. Each Wednesday we will have a time of worship and teaching on the Holy Spirit followed by a time of fellowship, food, and fun!

TYG Wednesday Meals

TYG (Trinity Youth Group) would love to have your contribution in providing meals for our Wednesday night gatherings! Email admin@trinitymboro.com for the signup link to provide a meal.

Upcoming Preaching Schedule

Next Sunday, August 13, we will come back to our series on the Gospel According to Matthew. A great way to prepare for hearing God's Word would be to read back through Matthew 1-9.

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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.

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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

“OUR KEEPER”

PSALM 121

INTRODUCTION

I. THE PROBLEM FOR GOD’S PEOPLE

II. THE SOLUTION GOD PROVIDES

III. HOW GOD’S PEOPLE SHOULD RESPOND

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

Praise To The Lord, The Almighty

Words by Joachim Neander (1685) Tune: Lobe Den Herren (1655)

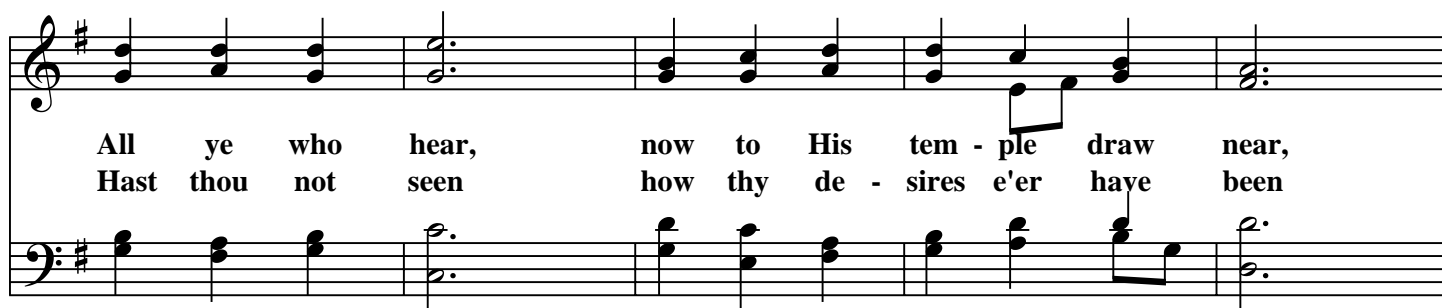
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1. Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre - a - tion!
2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so won - drous - ly reign - eth!



Oh my soul praise Him, for He is thy health and sal - va - tion!
Shel - ters thee un - der His wings, yea so gent - ly sus - tain - eth;



All ye who hear, now to His tem - ple draw near,
Hast thou not seen how thy de - sires e'er have been



Join me in glad ad - or - a - tion!
grant - ed in what He or - dain - eth?

3. Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee.
Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee.
Ponder anew what the Almighty will do if with His love He befriend thee.

4. Praise to the Lord, who with marvelous wisdom hath made thee.
Decked thee with health and with loving hand guided and stayed thee.
How oft in grief hath not He brought thee relief, Spreading His wings to o'ershade thee.

5. Praise to the Lord, oh let all that is in me adore Him!
All that hath life and breath come now with praises before Him!
Let the "Amen" sound from His people again! Gladly for e'er we adore Him!

Trisagion (Holy God)

Words from Traditional Greek Orthodox liturgical text

Music by Fernando Ortega

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The musical score is written for a single melodic line in treble clef, with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#) and a 4/4 time signature. The melody is composed of eighth and quarter notes, often beamed together in groups of four. The lyrics are written below the staff, with hyphens indicating syllables that span multiple notes. The score is divided into four lines of music, each corresponding to a line of lyrics. The first line ends with a double bar line and a repeat sign. The second line ends with a double bar line. The third line ends with a double bar line. The fourth line ends with a double bar line and a repeat sign.

Ho - - - ly God,

ho - ly and might - - y,

ho - - - ly im - mort - al One, have

mer - cy, have mer - cy on us.

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

Have mercy,
Have mercy on us.

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Words by Asahel Nettleton Music by Robert Robinson

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1. Come thou Fount of ev' - ry bles - sing, tune my heart to sing thy
2. Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer, hith - er by Thy help I'm
3. Oh to grace how great a debt - or, dail - y I'm con - strained to

grace. Streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est
come. And I hope by thy good pleas - ure safe - ly to ar - rive at
be. Let that grace now, like a fet - ter, bind my wand' - ring heart to

praise. Teach me some mel - o - dious son - net sung by
home. Je - sus sought me when a strang - er wan - der - ing
Thee. Prone to wan - der Lord I feel it; prone to

flam - ing tongues a - bove. Praise the mount I'm fixed up -
from the fold of God. He to res - cue me from
leave the God I love. Here's my heart Oh take and

on it, mount of God's un - chang - ing love.
dan - ger in - ter - posed His prec - ious blood.
seal it, seal it for Thy courts a - bove.

Amazing Grace!

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Who am I, O LORD God, and what is my family, that you have brought me this far?
1 Chron. 17:16

1. A - maz - ing grace!— how sweet the sound— that saved a wretch like me!
 2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears re - lieved;
 3. Thro' man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I have al - read - y come;
 4. The Lord has prom-ised good to me, his Word my hope se - cures;

I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.
 how pre - cious did that grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!
 'tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
 he will my shield and por - tion be, as long as life en - dures.

5. And when this flesh and heart shall fail,
 and mortal life shall cease,
 I shall possess within the veil
 a life of joy and peace.

6. When we've been there ten thousand years,
 bright shining as the sun,
 we've no less days to sing God's praise
 than when we've first begun.

St. 1-5, John Newton, 1779
 St. 6, *A Collection of Sacred Ballads*, 1790

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 Traditional American melody
 Arr. by Edwin O. Excell, 1900

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Abide with Me: Fast Falls the Eventide

This is how we know that he lives in us: We know it by the Spirit he gave us.
1 John 3:24

1. A - bide with me: fast falls the e - ven - tide; the dark - ness
2. Swift to its close ebbs out life's lit - tle day; earth's joys grow
3. I need thy pres - ence ev - ery pass - ing hour; what but thy
4. I fear no foe, with thee at hand to bless: ills have no
5. Hold thou thy cross be - fore my clos - ing eyes; shine through the

deep - ens; Lord, with me a - bide: when oth - er help - ers fail, and
dim, its glo - ries pass a - way; change and de - cay in all a -
• grace can foil the tempt - er's pow'r? Who like thy - self my guide and
weight, and tears no bit - ter - ness. Where is death's sting? where, grave, thy
gloom, and point me to the skies: heav'n's morn - ing breaks, and earth's vain

com - forts flee, help of the help - less, O a - bide with me.
round I see; O thou who chang - est not, a - bide with me.
• stay can be? Through cloud and sun - shine, O a - bide with me.
vic - to - ry? I tri - umph still, if thou a - bide with me.
shad - ows flee: in life, in death, O Lord, a - bide with me.

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Words by Thomas O. Chisholm

Music by William M. Runyan

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1. Great is Thy faith-ful-ness, O God my Fa-ther; there is no shad-ow of turn-ing with Thee;
Thou changest not, Thy com - pas-sions, they fail not; as Thou hast been Thou for - ev - er wilt be.

[Refrain]

Great is Thy faith - ful-ness! Great is Thy faith - ful-ness! morn-ing by morn-ing new
mer - cies I see: all I have need - ed Thy hand hath pro - vid - ed,
Great is Thy faith - ful - ness, Lord, un - to me!

2. Summer and winter and spring-time and harvest,
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above,
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.

(Refrain)

3. Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine with ten thousand beside!

(Refrain 2x)