



# TRINITY CHURCH

— KIRKWOOD —

2 CORINTHIANS 4:5

February 14, 2021

# WORSHIPING THE GOD OF COVENANT FAITHFULNESS

**Liturgist:** Rev. Chris Polski

**Scripture Reader:** Mickie Schmidt and Katie Polski

## **Quotes and Reflections**

And now my head shall be lifted up above my enemies all around me, and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy; I will sing and make melody to the Lord. — Psalm 27:6

O Lord, you have brought up my soul from Sheol; you restored me to life from among those who go down to the pit. — Psalm 30:3

"I will not glory because I am righteous, but because I am redeemed; not because I am clear of sin, but because my sins are forgiven!" — Ambrose

## **Prelude**

## **Welcome and Announcements**

# WE READY OURSELVES TO WORSHIP

**Reflect quietly and prayerfully on these words as we prepare to enter into worship.**

## **From the Worship Handbook:**

"The death and resurrection of Jesus Christ are at the heart of the Christian gospel, and Good Friday and Easter are two of the most significant celebrations of the Christian year. Lent is a season of preparation and repentance during which we anticipate Good Friday and Easter. Just as we carefully prepare for big events in our personal lives, such as a wedding or commencement, Lent invites us to make our hearts ready for remembering Jesus' passion and celebrating Jesus' resurrection.

"The practice of observing a forty-day preparation period began in the Christian church during the third and fourth centuries. The number forty carries biblical significance based on the forty years of Israel spent in the wilderness and Jesus' forty days in the wilderness. The forty days of Lent begin on Ash Wednesday and continue through the Holy Week, not counting Sunday's (which are reserved for celebratory worship). In practice, many congregations choose to focus Sunday worship on the themes of repentance and renewal and therefore during Lent many believers make an intentional effort to deepen their sense of repentance, piety and devotion in order to ready themselves to both mourn the death of Christ at Good Friday and celebrate the resurrection of Christ at Easter."

Here at Trinity we mark the beginning of Lent with a special participatory ceremony in which we have the opportunity to engage our own sin. If you would like to participate please come forward upon direction, but please do not feel pressure to participate if you would rather not do so.

# Song of Preparation

# I Stand Amazed (How Marvelous)

Charles H. Gabriel. Arr. by Norton Hall Band

♩ = 86 *Acoustic Guitar, fingerpicking*

G C G

1. I stand a - mazed in the pre - sence of  
took my sins and my sor - rows, he

D C G C G

Je - sus the Na - za - rene, and won - der how he could love me, a  
made them his ve - ry own; he bore the bur - den to Cal - vary, and

D G

sin - ner con - demned, un - clean. How mar - vel - ous! How won - der - ful!  
suf - fered and died a - lone.

D G Em

And my song shall e - ver be: How mar - ve - lous! How won - der - ful!

Am G/B C D G 1. C

is my Sa - vior's love for me! 2. He

## **\*Call to Worship—Psalm 30:4-5, 11-12**

Leader: Sing praises to the LORD, O you his saints, and give thanks to his holy name.

**People: For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a lifetime.**

Leader: Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

**All: You have turned for me my mourning into dancing; you have loosed my sackcloth and clothed me with gladness, that my glory may sing your praise and not be silent. O LORD my God, I will give thanks to you forever!**

## **WE DECLARE THE ETERNAL WORTHINESS OF GOD**

### **\*Songs of Adoration**

*All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!*

Trinity Hymnal #296 (vv. 1, 3, 5, 6)

# Oh Give Thanks! (Psalm 107)

Wendell Kimbrough



1. We were wan - d'ring in the de - sert with our souls  
 2. We were locked out of the gar - den and our backs  
 3. We were fools in our re - bell - ion with our hun -  
 4. We were far out on the o - cean ma - king wealth



so starved and weak; we were hun - gry for a home - land we did not  
 bend down with pain in the sha - dow of death's dark - ness we were slaves  
 - ger strike of pride; we were sick and grow - ing clos - er to the death  
 and cha - sing dreams but the waves of great de - struc - tion brought us trem -



know how to seek, but we lif - ted up our voi -  
 to sin and blame Then we cried out in our la -  
 we should have died Then he heard of our con - di -  
 - bling to our knees, and we cried like drun - ken sai -



- ces to the on - ly One who hears and the God  
 - bor to the on - ly One who hears and the God  
 - tion and He called us by our names and the God  
 - lors to the on - ly One who hears and the God



of mer - cy came and brought us near. Oh give thanks to the Lord  
 of mer - cy wiped a - way our tears.  
 of glo - ry took a - way our shame.  
 of com - fort took a - way our fears.



for His love en - dures fo - re - ver! We were wan - der - ing and lost and our Fa -



- ther brought us home to a safe dwe - lling place, to a feast



of joy and laugh - ter. Oh give thanks to the Lord for He is good.

## \*Prayer of Adoration

# WE HEAR FROM GOD'S WORD

## Old Testament Reading—2 Kings 5:1-14

*Naaman, the great general of Syria, is healed of leprosy by the Word of the prophet*

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Syria, was a great man with his master and in high favor, because by him the LORD had given victory to Syria. He was a mighty man of valor, but he was a leper. Now the Syrians on one of their raids had carried off a little girl from the land of Israel, and she worked in the service of Naaman's wife. She said to her mistress, "Would that my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy." So Naaman went in and told his lord, "Thus and so spoke the girl from the land of Israel." And the king of Syria said, "Go now, and I will send a letter to the king of Israel."

So he went, taking with him ten talents of silver, six thousand shekels of gold, and ten changes of clothing. And he brought the letter to the king of Israel, which read, "When this letter reaches you, know that I have sent to you Naaman my servant, that you may cure him of his leprosy." And when the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to kill and to make alive, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Only consider, and see how he is seeking a quarrel with me."

But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent to the king, saying, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come now to me, that he may know that there is a prophet in Israel." So Naaman came with his horses and chariots and stood at the door of Elisha's house. And Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go and wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored, and you shall be clean." But Naaman was angry and went away, saying, "Behold, I thought that he would surely come out to me and stand and call upon the name of the LORD his God, and wave his hand over the place and cure the leper. Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them and be clean?" So he turned and went away in a rage. But his servants came near and said to him, "My father, it is a great word the prophet has spoken to you; will you not do it? Has he actually said to you, 'Wash, and be clean'?" So he went down and dipped himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God, and his flesh was restored like the flesh of a little child, and he was clean.

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—1 Corinthians 9:24-27

Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one receives the prize? So run that you may obtain it. Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable. So I do not run aimlessly; I do not box as one beating the air. But I discipline my body and keep it under control, lest after preaching to others I myself should be disqualified.

## Silent Confession and Lament (Ensemble)

### *Lord Have Mercy (For What We Have Done)*

Matt Papa, Matt Boswell, Aaron Keyes, and James Tealy. Arr. by Dustin Loehrs & Grant Wall

*Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy on us.*

*Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy on us.*

For what we have done and left undone, we fall on Your countless mercies.

For sins that are known and those unknown, we call on Your name so holy.

For envy and pride, for closing our eyes, for scorning our very neighbor.

In thought, word, and deed we've failed You, our King; how deeply we need a Savior.

*Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy on us.*

*Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy on us.*

For what You have done, Your life of love, You perfectly lived, we praise You.

Though tempted and tried, You fixed Your eyes, You finished the work God gave You.

And there on the tree, a King among thieves, You bled for a world's betrayal.

You loved to the end, our merciful friend: how pure and forever faithful

**(Upon instruction, if you are willing, please come forward via the middle aisle and place your rock in the baskets at the front of the sanctuary.**

**Then, return to your seat via the side aisles)**



WE ENCOUNTER AND REJOICE IN THE AMAZING GRACE OF GOD

**Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace—2 Cor. 5:17**

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

Leader: People of God, give thanks to God for the new life he gives.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

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

**People: And also with you!**

# Song of Rejoicing

# Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

Words and Music by John Newton, Chris Tomlin, and Louie Giglio

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of two sharps (D major) and a 4/4 time signature. It consists of six systems of music, each with a line of lyrics below it. Chord symbols are placed above the staff lines. The lyrics are as follows:

1. A - maz - ing grace, how sweet the sound, that saved  
(2.) grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace

3 a wretch like me. I once was lost, but now  
my fears re - lieved. How pre - cious did that grace

6 I'm found, was blind but now I see. 2. 'Twas  
ap - pear, the hour

9 I first be - lieved. My chains are

11 gone. I've been set free, my God, my Sav - ior has ran - somed

14 me. And like a flood His mer - cy

19 **D** **G/D** **D**

— has prom - ised good — to me, His word —

21 **A/D** **D** **D/F#**

— my hope — se - cures. — He will — my — shield. and por -

24 **G** **D** **A/D** **D** **D/F#**

tion be, as long — as — life — en - dures. — My chains are —

27 **G** **D/F#** **G/B**

— gone. — I've been set — free, — my God, my Sav - ior has ran - somed —

30 **D/A** **D/F#** **G** **D/F#**

— me. — And like a — flood — His mer - cy — reigns, — un - end - ing — love, —

33 **Em7** **A7** **D** **D/F#** **D** **G/D**

— a - maz - ing grace. — My chains are — 4 The earth —

WE HUMBLE OURSELVES BEFORE THE LORD

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Tithes and Offerings**

*Children may be dismissed for Children's Church (8:45 service only)*

**Sermon**

"The Covenant with Noah"

Genesis 8:20-9:17

Rev. Nate Taylor

# Song of Response

# Christ the Sure and Steady Anchor

Words and Music by Matthew Papa and Matthew Boswell

♩=77

## VERSE

B♭ B♭/A Gm F/A

1. Christ the — sure and stead - y an - chor in the fu - ry of the  
 (2. Christ the) — sure and stead - y an - chor while the temp - est rag - es  
 (3. Christ the) — sure and stead - y an - chor through the floods of un - be -  
 (4. Christ the) — sure and stead - y an - chor as we face the wave of

4 B♭ F/A Gm F

storm, when the — winds of doubt blow through me and my sails have all been  
 on, when temp - ta - tion claims the bat - tle and it seems the night has  
 -lief. Hope - less, — some - how, O my soul, now lift your eyes to Cal - va -  
 death, when these — trials give way to glo - ry, as we draw our fi - nal

## CHORUS

8 F7 B♭/D E♭<sup>2</sup> B♭/D E♭<sup>2</sup> F

born. In the suf - fring, in the sor - row, when my sink - ing hopes are  
 won. Deep - er still, then goes the an - chor, though I just - ly stand ac -  
 -ry. This my bal - last of as - sur - ance— see His love for - ev - er  
 breath. We will cross that great hor - i - zon, clouds be - hind, and life se -  
 (D.S.) shore of our sal - va - tion, ev - er faith - ful, ev - er

12 Gm E♭<sup>2</sup> F/A Gm E♭maj<sup>7</sup> F<sup>sus</sup> B♭

few, I will — hold fast to the an - chor; it shall nev - er be re - moved.  
 -cused. I will — hold fast to the an - chor; it shall nev - er be re - moved.  
 proved. All my — hope is in the an - chor; it shall nev - er be re - moved.  
 -cured. And the — calm will be the bet - ter, for the storms that we en - dured.  
 true. We will — hold fast to the an - chor; it shall nev - er be re - moved.

17 B♭/A Gm<sup>7</sup> E♭<sup>2</sup> E♭<sup>2</sup> B♭/D D.S. E♭<sup>2</sup> B♭

2.3.4. Christ the — Christ 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](http://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.**

- **Small Groups** are a great way to get connected. For more information pick up a flyer at the Welcome Center.
- **The Wed. Women's Bible studies meet weekly.** We are studying 2 Samuel this semester. We will meet in a hybrid format at 9am or via Zoom only at 7pm.
- **Men's Bible Study** this Fri. at 6:30am either in person or via Zoom. This semester the men are studying the Book of Acts.
- **Men's Night this Wednesday** at 8pm at Chris Freeman's home.
- 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](mailto:amymitchell@trinitystlouis.org).
- There are **several easy ways to serve at Trinity**. Feel free to reach out to these ministry coordinators if you would like to get involved: **Ushers:** Paul Schaffer ([PaulSchaffer1012@gmail.com](mailto:PaulSchaffer1012@gmail.com)), **Children's Church:** Melissa Kocher ([medcalf.melissa@gmail.com](mailto:medcalf.melissa@gmail.com)), **Greeters:** Elisa Tharp ([elisa.f.tharp@gmail.com](mailto:elisa.f.tharp@gmail.com)), **Nursery:** Sarah Oehlerking, Deborah Moen, Alyssa Hall, and Ruth Harlow ([nursery@trinitystlouis.org](mailto:nursery@trinitystlouis.org)), **Sunday coffee:** Amy Mitchell ([amymitchell@trinitystlouis.org](mailto:amymitchell@trinitystlouis.org)).
- We are moving our on-line directory to the Church Center app. **Each member or regular attender needs to log in to Church Center and go to the directory link and click "share now"** to chose what contact information you would like to be included.



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.