



# TRINITY CHURCH

— KIRKWOOD —

*2 CORINTHIANS 4:5*

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# 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.



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# WORSHIPING THE GOD OF UNFORESEEN MERCIES

**Liturgist:** Pablo Rosales

**Scripture Reader:** Peg Nichols

**Pastoral Prayer:** Ruling Elder, Tom Schmidt

## **Prelude**

## **Welcome and Announcements**

## **Quotes and Reflections**

Morning by morning new mercies I see! — Thomas Chiselm

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our affliction, so that we may be able to comfort those who are in any affliction, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God. — 2 Cor. 1:2-4

"We must believe in the grace of sovereignty as well as the sovereignty of grace." — Augustus H. Strong

# WE READY OURSELVES FOR WORSHIP

**Abridged from "The Old Testament God of Compassion and Mercy"**

**by Miles Van Pelt Ligonier.org**

Perhaps you are one of those people, like me, who grew up thinking about the Old Testament as a book filled with wrath and judgment, doom and gloom, atrocity and injustice. To make matters worse, the New Testament appeared to be the product of the hippie movement of the 1970s, promoting peace, mercy, and brotherly love. Such a dichotomy, however, could not be further from the truth. The Old and New Testaments are united in their affirmation that the God of the Bible is a merciful and compassionate God. In fact, it would not be inappropriate to characterize the entire Bible as a book that journals God's mercy and compassion.

In the Old Testament, mercy, or its English synonym, compassion, constitutes a fundamental attribute of the divine character...The merciful and compassionate character of God must not remain on the dry and dusty pages of a textbook. God's merciful character is translated into hope for sinners, and this is, without a doubt, the most important application of God's compassionate character. But the Bible also teaches that God's mercy and compassion reaches into everyday life, especially for those who are needy and without help.

Mercy and compassion are rooted in the very character of God. His law commands it. Wisdom teaches it. The prophets enjoin it and the Psalms applaud it. Of course, the fullest expression of the mercy of God is found in the person and work of Jesus Christ, the compassion of God incarnate. But the New Testament does not represent a departure from the Old Testament at this point, but rather the arrival of its fullest expectation.

## Song of Preparation

*Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me*

Trinity Hymnal #500

### Call to Worship—Psalm 71 (selected)

Leader: I will praise you with the harp for your faithfulness, O my God;

**People: I will sing praises to you with the lyre, O Holy One of Israel.**

Leader: My lips will shout for joy, when I sing praises to you;

**People: For you, O Lord, are my hope, my trust, O Lord, from my youth.**

Leader: Upon you I have leaned from before my birth;

**All: My praise is continually of you.**

## WE DECLARE THE ETERNAL WORTHINESS OF GOD

**\*Songs of Adoration**

*O For A Thousand Tongues To Sing*

Trinity Hymnal #164

# Agnus Dei

Words and Music by Michael W. Smith

**G G2sus G C/G G G2sus G C/G D/G**

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu -

**C/G D/G C/G G C/G G G2sus G**

ia, for our Lord God Al - might - y reigns.

**G2sus G C/G G G2sus G C/G D/G**

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu -

**C/G D/G C/G D/G C/G G C/G G G2sus G**

ia, for our Lord God Al - might - y reigns.

**G2sus G C/G D/G C/G D**

Al - le - lu - ia. Ho -

**G D/G G C/G G Em D Am G/B**

ly, Ho - ly are You, Lord God Al - might - y. Wor - thy is the

**C Am G/B C G D/G**

Lamb; Wor - thy is the Lamb. You are Ho - ly. Ho -

**G C/G G Em D Am G/B**

ly are You, Lord God Al - might - y. Wor - thy is the

## **\*Prayer of Adoration**

### WE HEAR FROM GOD'S WORD

#### **New Testament Reading—Luke 4:21-30**

*Jesus Establishes His Ministry*

And he began to say to them, "Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." And all spoke well of him and marveled at the gracious words that were coming from his mouth. And they said, "Is not this Joseph's son?" And he said to them, "Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, "Physician, heal yourself." What we have heard you did at Capernaum, do here in your hometown as well.'" And he said, "Truly, I say to you, no prophet is acceptable in his hometown. But in truth, I tell you, there were many widows in Israel in the days of Elijah, when the heavens were shut up three years and six months, and a great famine came over all the land, and Elijah was sent to none of them but only to Zarephath, in the land of Sidon, to a woman who was a widow. And there were many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed, but only Naaman the Syrian." When they heard these things, all in the synagogue were filled with wrath. And they rose up and drove him out of the town and brought him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they could throw him down the cliff. But passing through their midst, he went away.

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 13:1-3**

If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. If I give away all I have, and if I deliver up my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing.

## **Silent Confession and Lament**

# WE ENCOUNTER AND REJOICE IN THE AMAZING GRACE OF GOD

## **Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace—Gal. 5:5-7**

For through the Spirit, by faith, we ourselves eagerly wait for the hope of righteousness. For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision counts for anything, but only faith working through love.

Leader: Christian, give thanks to God for loving us and giving us hope!

**People: Thanks be to God!**

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

**People: And also with you!**



# \*Song of Rejoicing

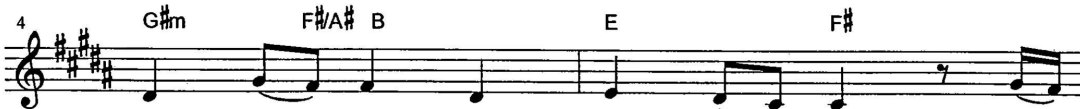
## O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

Words by George Matheson. Music by Christopher Miner

Real Key



1. O Love that will not let me go, I  
 2. O Light that fol- low'st all my way, I  
 3. O Joy that seek - est me through pain, I  
 4. O Cross that lift - est up my head, I



rest my wear - y soul in thee; I  
 yield my flick' - ring torch to thee; My  
 can - not close my heart to thee; I  
 dare not ask to fly from thee; I



give thee back the li - fe I owe, That  
 heart re - stores its bor - rowed ray, That  
 trace the rain - bow through the rain, And  
 lay in dust life's glo - ry dead, And



in thine o - cean depths its flow May  
 in thy sun - shine's blaze its day May  
 feel the prom - ise is not vain, That  
 from the ground there bless - oms red Life



ri - cher, full - er be.  
 brigh - ter, fair - er be.  
 morn shall tear - less be.  
 that shall end - less be.

WE HUMBLE OURSELVES BEFORE THE LORD

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Tithes and Offerings**

(No Children's Church on the 5th Sunday of the month)

**Offertory Song** (Ensemble)

*All Is Well*

Words and Music by Steve & Vikki Cook

**Sermon**

"The Dreamer Part 2"

Genesis 37:12-36

Rev. Dr. Chris Polski

# \*Song of Response

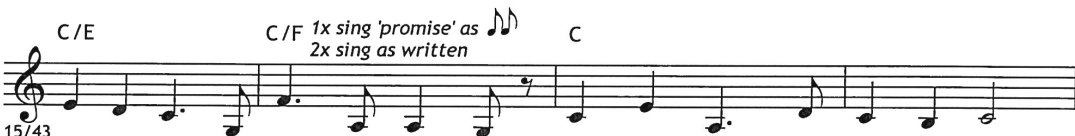
# 'Tis So Sweet To Trust In Jesus

Stead, Kirkpatrick. Arr. Page CXVI

**A** (2x add toms)  
C/G C/F C



11/39  
(1x solo) *p* 'Tis so sweet to trust in Je - sus, just to take him at\_\_\_ his\_ word;  
+ 1 voice) *mp* O how sweet to trust in Je - sus, just to trust his cleans - ing\_ blood;



15/43  
just to rest up - on his prom - ise; just to know, "Thus saith the Lord."  
just in sim - ple faith to plunge me 'neath the heal - ing, cleans-ing flood!



19/47  
(2x sing notes) (Oh, \_\_\_\_\_ Oh) \_\_\_\_\_

**B**



23/51  
*p* Je - sus, Je - sus, how I trust him! How I've proved him o'er and o'er!  
*mf*



(add elec)



31/59  
(1x no lead) *mp* And more, \_\_\_\_\_ and more \_\_\_\_\_  
(2x add cues) *mf*



35/63  
And more, \_\_\_\_\_ and more \_\_\_\_\_

**C** (building)  
C/G

C/F C

67 (add a voice) I'm so glad I learned to trust thee, pre-cious Je - sus, Sav - ior, Friend.  
(prime unison)

C/E C/F C

71 And I know that thou art with me, wilt be with me 'till the end.

C/A C/F C

(guys on bottom)

'Till the

C/A C/F C

79 end

**D** (big with drive)  
C/A

C/G C/F

83/91 (all in) *f* Je - sus, Je - sus, how I trust him! How I've proved him o'er\_ and\_ o'er!

C/A C/F C

87/95 Je - sus, Je - sus, pre - cious Je - sus! O for grace to trust him more!

C/A C/F C

(guys on bottom) And more, and more

C/A C/F

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And more, and more

# SERVICE OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

Doug Standerfer, Deacon

**\*Song of Response**

*Doxology*

Trinity Hymnal #731

**\*Benediction**

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Sunday school classes for all ages meet today.**

**Men's Bible Study resumes this Wed. at 6pm or Fri. at 6:30am.** Pastor Polski will be leading a study of the Book of Acts.

**Women's Bible Studies:** We offer two options: two Tues. a month a group meets at Melissa Jorgensen's home at 7pm to discuss the Sermon on the Mount (next gathering: Feb. 8th). The Wednesday studies meet weekly (9am and 6pm) with a look at the Book of Daniel.

**Men's Night this Wed.** at 7:30pm at Chris Freeman's.

**ACTION** bible studies and children's ministries meet THIS Wed. If you would like to register for the Jimmy John's dinner, you must do so on Church Center by Tues. at 10am.

**Kid's Connect:** Feb 12th from 9am-11am. This class is for kids who have an understanding of their faith in Jesus and are ready to join the Church as communing members. We generally ask that students be 3rd grade or above, but we do make exceptions for 1st and 2nd graders. Please contact Pastor Ben to sign up or if you have questions.

**Save the Date:** Trinity's youth are hosting a **Trivia Night** on Friday, Feb. 25th. Proceeds will help cover summer trips.

**Join a Small Group!** Sign up on Church Center.

**Camp Strong, for students in 4-6th grade** will take place April 22-24. Registration will open on Mar. 1st. More info to come.

**Volunteers next week: Nursery:** Hall, Oehlerking, Moen, SS: Oehlerking. **Ushers:** Oehlerking, Moen, Smith, Broughton. **Scripture Reader:** A. Mitchell.

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).

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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](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)).

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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.

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You can **sign up for all upcoming events** by scanning your phone camera over the QR code and then [following the link](#):



## SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday school classes for all ages will resume today. The adults will have three class options:

- The Gospel of Matthew- Ruling elders Jim Talent and Fielding Poe
- Called to Worship- Pastor Polski and Katie Polski, Director of Music Ministries
- The Heart of Evangelism-Pablo Rosales, Director of Outreach

# Adult Sunday School

## **The Gospel of Matthew**

Ruling Elders Jim Talent and Fielding Poe  
Classroom One

This eleven-week class (which may continue into the Spring Semester) seeks to provide an in-depth study of the book of Matthew by addressing the text and various key doctrines that emerge from its study toward the goal of helping church members develop a deeper and firmer understanding of the fundamentals of the faith while also providing encouragement and instruction for those who may be interested in leading their own bible studies in the future. The ultimate goal is that all who take part will come away with a renewed appreciation for the King of Kings!

## **The Heart of Evangelism**

Pablo Rosales, Director of Outreach  
Classroom Two

Every believer is called and sent. We are called by the grace of God to turn from our sin and live through Christ into eternity. That is the good news; that is the Gospel. Then we are sent to proclaim that very simple message. But how do we do that? A lot of us feel unequipped, and if we're honest, timid, about such a task. Join us as we consider not only the heart of the Sender, but our own hearts as those who are sent. We will explore the Great Commission, the Great Message, the Great Sender, reluctance and barriers to communicating, and making the Gospel known.

## **Called to Worship-Exploring Worship at Trinity Church**

Rev. Dr. Chris Polski and Katie Polski, Director of Music Ministries  
Fireplace Room

Have you ever wondered about why we worship the way we do or how worship gets planned or how we sort out which songs to sing and when? Join us for an eight-week exploration of worship. We will review the biblical parameters of worship, delve deeply into the way that worship is formed, and walk through some of the controversial issues surrounding worship. We may even spend some time singing.

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.