



TRINITY CHURCH

— KIRKWOOD —

2 CORINTHIANS 4:5

February 20, 2022

WORSHIPING THE GOD WHO RAISES THE DEAD

Liturgist: Rev. Ben Tharp

Scripture Reader: Glynn Schlitt

Pastoral Prayer: Ruling Elder, Bill Elzinga

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Quotes and Reflections

“His purposes will ripen fast, unfolding ev’ry hour;
the bud may have a bitter taste, but sweet will be the flow’r”
— William Cowper, *God Moves in Mysterious Ways*

“The movement of people throughout Scripture remind us that it is God who moves the peoples of the earth to fulfill God’s purposes, which include seeking God and finding God.” — Andrew Bush

“We are the Bibles the world is reading, we are the creeds the world is needing, we are the sermons the world is heeding.” — Billy Graham

WE READY OURSELVES FOR WORSHIP

From Burk Parsons, "Hope for the Broken," Ligonier.com, Dec. 1, 2011.

"Although perfect healing will only exist in our eternal home, our present hope for our broken homes is the redeeming, forgiving, reconciling, and transforming gospel of God for God's people.

We know the content of the gospel, but we fail to trust God's promises in the gospel, and we fail to apply God's gospel promises in our lives individually, affecting, in turn, our families. For example, as men, we sometimes think that all we need to do to raise good kids is simply be good dads, when, in fact, what every kid needs to see first and foremost is how his dad loves his mother with a repentant, patient, and sacrificial love that not only swears to die for her (which we'll likely never have the opportunity to do) but that strives to live for her each and every day, which is precisely what Jesus did for us. Our Lord didn't merely come and die, He lived for us as well. When we believe and apply the gospel, we will not need to pretend we are sinless but will instead be free to repent of our sins and ask forgiveness as we look to God's true and faithful Son, Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith."

This week, ask the Lord to show you the areas in your life where you have failed to apply God's love and promises. And ask Him to help you live a life that reflects the Gospel to your neighbors.

Song of Preparation

Dear Refuge of My Weary Soul

Words by Anne Steele. Music by Kevin Twitt

1. Dear re - fuge of my wear - y soul, On
 oh! When gloo - my doubts pre - vail, I
 Thou not bid me seek Thy face, And
 mer - cy seat is o - pen still, Here

5 Thee when sor - rows rise On Thee when waves of
 fear to call Thee mine On The springs of com - fort
 shall I seek in mine vain? And hum - ble ear of
 let my soul re - treat With can - ble hope at -

8 trou - ble roll, My fain - ting hope re - lies To
 seem to fail, And all my hopes de - cline Yet
 sov - ereign grace, Be deaf when I com - plain? No
 tend Thy will, And wait be - neath Thy - feet Thy

12 Thee I tell each ri - sing grief, For
 gra - cious the God where shall I flee? Thou
 still mer - cy the soul seat of is sov - ereign grace, At
 mer - let my soul re - t - t - pen still, Here

15 Thou a - lone canst hea - I Thy Word can bring a
 art my on - ly tru - st - And still my soul would
 tends the mour - ner's pray - er - Oh may I ev - er
 let my soul re - t - t - With hum - ble hope at -

19 sweet re - lief, For eve - ry pain I feel 2. But
 cleave to Thee Though pro - strate in the dust 3. Hast
 find ac - cess, To breathe my sor - rows there 4. Thy
 tend Thy will, And wait be - neath Thy - feet

Call to Worship—Psalm 37 (selected)

Leader: Wait for the Lord and keep his way, and he will exalt you to inherit the land

People: The salvation of the righteous is from the Lord.

Leader: He is their stronghold in the time of trouble.

People: The Lord helps them and delivers them.

Leader: He delivers them from the wicked and saves them.

All: Because they take refuge in him.

WE DECLARE THE ETERNAL WORTHINESS OF GOD

***Songs of Adoration**

Come, Christians, Join to Sing
Trinity Hymnal #302

*Songs of Adoration

He Will Hold Me Fast

Words by Ada Havershon. Alt. and Music by Matt Merker

5 G G/B C D G

1. When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast;
2. Those He saves are His de - light, Christ will hold me fast;

9 G/B C D G

When the tempt - er would pre - vail, He will hold me fast.
Pre - cious in His ho - ly sight, He will hold me fast.

13 Em D/F# G C B Em

I could nev - er keep my hold through life's fear - ful path;
He'll not let my soul be lost; His Prom - is - es shall last;

17 D/F# G/B C D G

For my love is oft - en cold; He must hold me fast.
Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast.

CHORUS

22 C D Em D/F# G

He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast;

26 Am' G/B C D Gmaj7 G/B

For my Sav - ior loves me so, He will hold me fast.

VERSE 3

30 C² Gmaj7 G/B C² Em⁹ C

3. For my life He bled and died,

35 C/E D/F# G Em⁹ C

Christ will hold me fast; Just - ice has been sat - is - fied;

39 D G Em D/F# G/B C

He will hold me fast. Raised with Him to end - less life,

43 B Em D/F# G/B C

He will hold me fast till our faith is turned to sight,

47 D G C D Em

CHORUS

when He comes at last! He will hold me fast,

52 D/F# G Am⁷ G/B C

He will hold me fast; For my Sav - ior loves me so,

56 1. D G 2. D G **ENDING**

He will hold me fast. He will hold me fast.

*Prayer of Adoration

WE HEAR FROM GOD'S WORD

New Testament Reading—1 Corinthians 15:35-43

The Resurrection Body

But someone will ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?" You foolish person! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. And what you sow is not the body that is to be, but a bare kernel, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body. For not all flesh is the same, but there is one kind for humans, another for animals, another for birds, and another for fish. There are heavenly bodies and earthly bodies, but the glory of the heavenly is of one kind, and the glory of the earthly is of another. There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars; for star differs from star in glory.

So is it with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable; what is raised is imperishable. It is sown in dishonor; it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness; it is raised in power.

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—Luke 6:32-34

"If you love those who love you, what benefit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what benefit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. And if you lend to those from whom you expect to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to get back the same amount."

Silent Confession and Lament

WE ENCOUNTER AND REJOICE IN THE AMAZING GRACE OF GOD

Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace—Luke 6:35-36

But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return, and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High, for he is kind to the ungrateful and the evil. Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful.

Leader: Christian, rejoice and give thanks for God's abundant mercy!

People: Thanks be to God!

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

People: And also with you!

*Song of Rejoicing

Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder

Words by John Newton. Music by Laura Taylor



1. Let us love and sing and won - der,
 2. Let us love the Lord who bought us,
 3. Let us sing through fierce temp - ta - tion



Let us praise the Sa - vior's name,
 Pit - ied us when en - vior's e - mies
 Threat - en hard to bear us down



He has hushed the law's loud thun - der,
 Called us by his grace and taught us
 For the Lord our strong sal - va - tion



He has quenched Mount Si - nai's flame, He has
 Gave us ears view and the gave us eyes, He has
 Holds in view the the cong - u'ror's crown He who



washed us with His blood, He has
 washed us with His blood, He has
 washed us with His blood, He who

11 Gm Eb

washed us with His blood, He has
 washed us with His blood, He has
 washed us with His blood, He who

13 Gm Eb

washed us with His blood, He has
 washed us with His blood, He pre -
 washed us with His blood, blood Soon will

15 F Bb

brought us nigh to God
 sends our souls to God
 bring us home to God

17 F Gm Eb

4. Let us wonder grace and justice
 Join and point to mercy's store
 When through grace in Christ our trust is
 Justice smiles and asks no more
 He who washed us with His blood
 He who washed us with His blood
 He who washed us with His blood
 Has secured our way to God

5. Let us praise and join the chorus
 Of the saints enthroned on high
 Here they trusted Him before us
 Now their praises fill the sky
 Thou hast washed us with Thy blood
 Thou hast washed us with Thy blood
 Thou hast washed us with Thy blood
 Thou art worthy Lamb of God

WE HUMBLE OURSELVES BEFORE THE LORD

Pastoral Prayer

Tithes and Offerings

(Children ages 4yr to 2nd grade may be excused for Children's Church)

Offertory Song (Ensemble)

Creation Sings

Rebekah Marsh

Sermon

"Living to God's Glory"

Genesis 41:37-57

Pablo Rosales

*Song of Response

Mighty To Save

Words and Music by Reuben Morgan and Ben Fielding

B \flat F

1. Ev-'ry - one needs com - pas - sion, love that's nev - er fail -
 2. So take _ me as You find _ me, all my fears and fail -

3 Dm C B \flat

- ing. _ Let mer - cy fall on _ me. _ Ev - 'ry - one needs for - give
 - ures. _ Fill my life a - gain. _ I give _ my life to fol -

6 F Dm C

- ness, _ the kind - ness of a Sav - iour. _ The hope of na - tions. _
 - low, _ ev - 'ry - thing I be - lieve _ in. _ Now I sur - ren - der. _

9 B \flat C B \flat C F C

CHORUS

— Sav - iour, He can move the _ moun - tains. My God is

13 B \flat F Dm C F

might - y to save. _ He is might - y to save. _ For - ev - er, Au - thor of sal -

16 C B \flat F Dm C

- va - tion. He rose and con - quered the grave. _ Je - sus con - quered the grave. _

*Benediction

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday school classes for all ages meet today.

Men's Bible Study: 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. 22nd). The Wednesday studies meet weekly (9am and 6pm) with a look at the Book of Daniel.

ACTION bible studies and children's ministries meet this Wed. If you would like to register for the Chik-fil-a dinner, you must do so on Church Center by Tues. at 10am or email Amy Mitchell.

Mom's of toddlers and babies, come out for taco night on Monday, Feb. 21 at 6:30pm at Carly Waldron's home. Food provided. RSVP or questions, see Alyce Bava.

Trinity's youth are hosting a **Trivia Night** on **Friday, Feb. 25th.** Proceeds will help cover summer trips. Sign up for a table of 8 or individually on Church Center (QR code to the right)

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.

If you are participating in the **Thrive baby bottle collection,** please return your donation bottles by the end of February to the welcome table.

Ladies Connect: Join us for an "I Hate Winter" party. Dress in your summer garb and we will pretend winter is over. Mon., Feb. 28th at 7:30pm at Mickie Schmidt's. We will also be collecting gently used spring and summer clothing for local ministries.

Volunteers next week: Nursery: McCall, Nichols, Oehlerking, Younger SS: Harlow and Bava.
Ushers: Younger, Standerfer, Kocher, S. Thompson. **Scripture Reader:** P. Nichols.

If you do not receive our **weekly email updates** on Tuesday mornings, please send your email address to amymitchell@trinitystlouis.org.

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), **Children's Church:** Melissa Kocher (medcalf.melissa@gmail.com), **Greeters:** Elisa Tharp (elisa.f.tharp@gmail.com), **Nursery:** Sarah Oehlerking, Deborah Moen, Alyssa Hall, and Ruth Harlow (nursery@trinitystlouis.org).

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.

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



CONCERT

Save the Date: **Sun., March 13th at 6:30pm, Trinity will host Poor Bishop Hooper in concert.** They wrote the song, *Christ* performed at the Christmas Concert. The concert will be free, but donations are gratefully accepted to help support their prison ministry. RSVP on Church Center. Invite your family and friends!

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

*Please note: This Sunday school will not meet today. We will resume next Sunday. We encourage you to take this opportunity to visit one of the other classes.

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.



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.

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