



TRINITY CHURCH

— KIRKWOOD —

2 CORINTHIANS 4:5

May 22, 2022

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 WHO EQUIPS US WITH EVERY GOOD WORK

Liturgist: Rev. Ben Tharp

Scripture Reader: Beth Thorpe

Pastoral Prayer: Ruling Elder, Steve O'Neal

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Quotes and Reflections

"Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth." — Jesus, *John 17:17*

"As God's very words, the words of Scripture are more than simply true; they are truth itself (John 17:17). They are the final measure by which all supposed truth is to be gauged." — Wayne Grudem, *Christian Beliefs*

"The whole of Scripture is the heart of God, the mouth of God, the tongue of God, the pen of God" — Bonaventure (13th century)

WE READY OURSELVES FOR WORSHIP

From *Ligonier.org* — Feb. 28, 2017

The Reformers held to a view of sola Scriptura that embraced the work of the Holy Spirit in illumining His Word in the hearts and minds of His people. Word and Spirit must go together in order for people to know, believe, and be transformed by divine revelation.

In noting that the illumining work of the Holy Spirit is necessary when we read Scripture, we are not saying that unbelievers are wholly unable to gain an understanding of the meaning of the biblical text. Non-Christians often are able to comprehend at least part of what a particular passage of Scripture means. Without the work of the Holy Spirit, however, a non-Christian cannot truly understand the significance of a particular text for salvation or come to saving faith. There is an understanding of Scripture that unbelievers can gain, but it is limited in its scope, and its efficacy will be only to harden the heart of the reader unless the Spirit does His work of changing the reader's heart and mind. John Calvin comments on today's passage: "It is not owing simply to the obstinacy of the human will, but to the impotency, also, of the understanding, that man does not attain to the things of the Spirit. Had he said that men are not willing to be wise, that indeed would have been true, but he states farther that they are not able. Hence we infer, that faith is not in one's own power, but is divinely conferred."

We require divine assistance to understand the full import of Scripture and to apply it rightly to our lives. The Holy Spirit must do His work of illumination, for as Paul says in 1 Corinthians 2:10b–16, only spiritual men and women can discern the things of God. And while the Holy Spirit certainly does this on an individual level, we must remember that the Spirit is given to all of God's people (12:13). We need one another to enjoy the full benefit of the Spirit's work of illumination, for the Spirit is often pleased to speak, as it were, through others, giving them insights to help us all know His Word.

This week pray that the Holy Spirit would illuminate the Scriptures to you, so that you would be sanctified in His truth.

Song of Preparation

Psalm 1

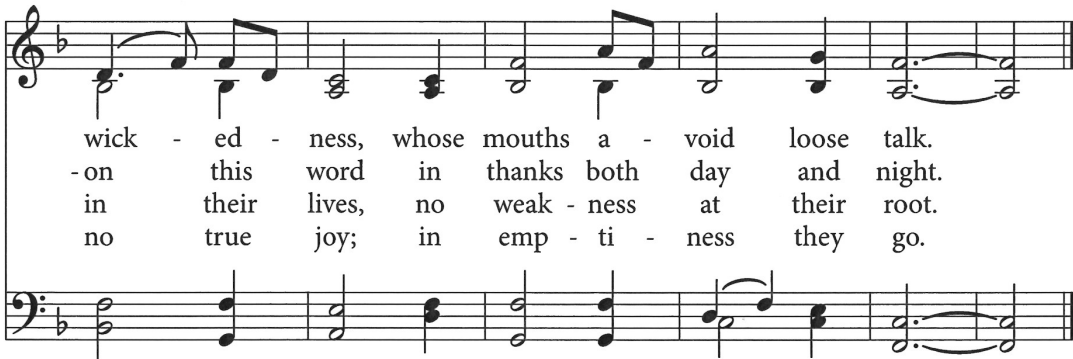
(From the Psalter: To the tune of Amazing Grace) Words: Fred R. Anderson. Music: William Walker



1. The blest are those whose foot - steps shun the
2. In God's in - struc - tions they find health; His
3. Like might - y trees by flow - ing streams, their
4. The wick - ed sing a dif - ferent song, like



path the sin - ful walk, whose lives turn from all
laws are their de - light. They med - i - tate up -
liv - ing bears good fruit. There is no dry - ness
dried - up leaves they blow from place to place with



wick - ed - ness, whose mouths a - void loose talk.
- on this word in thanks both day and night.
in their lives, no weak - ness at their root.
no true joy; in emp - ti - ness they go.

***Call to Worship—Psalm 103:8-13**

Leader: May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us,

People: That your way may be known on earth, your saving power among all nations.

Leader: Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

People: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.

Leader: Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

People: The earth has yielded its increase; God, our God, shall bless us.

All: God shall bless us; let all the ends of the earth fear him!

WE DECLARE THE ETERNAL WORTHINESS OF GOD

*Songs of Adoration

Psalm 150 (Praise The Lord)

Words and Music by Matt Papa and Matt Boswell

$\text{♩} = 74$ G C/G G

1. You made the star - ry host, You traced the moun - tain peaks, You paint the eve - ning skies with
2. Let sym - pho - nies re - sound, let drums and choirs rung out, all heav - en hear the sound of
3. You spoke in - to the dark, the si - lence of the womb, and wove a liv - ing soul to -

4 C/G G C/G Em

won - der. The earth, it is Your throne, from des - ert to the sea; all na - ture test - i - fies Your
wor - ship. Let eve - ry na - tion bring its hon - ors to the King; a roar of har - mo - nies e -
- geth - er. A life, a beat - ing heart; Lord, I was made for You. Your glo - ry to re - store for -

8 C D G Am7 G/B C Dsus Em

Chorus

splen - dor.
- ter - nal. Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, all cre - a - tion sing His prais - es, praise the Lord, raise your
- ev - er.

14 Dsus G/B C 1.2. G/B Am7 Dsus

voice, you heights and all you depths, from furth - est east to west, let eve - ry - thing that has breath praise the

18 G C/G 3. G/B C

Lord!
2. Let west, you dis - tant burn - ing stars, all crea - tures near and
3. You

22 G/B Am7 G/B C Em Dsus G rit.....

far, from sky to sea to shore, sing out for ev - er - more, let eve - ry - thing that has breath praise the Lord!

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

Words by Henry Lyte. Music by John Goss

1. Praise, my soul, the King of heav - en; to His feet your
2. Praise Him for His grace and fa - vor to our fa - thers
3. Fa - ther - like, He tends and spares us; well our fee - ble
4. Frail as sum - mer's flower we flour - ish— blows the wind, and
5. An - gels in the heights, a - dore Him— ye be - hold Him

trib - ute bring. Ran-somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en,
in dis - tress. Praise Him, still the same for - ev - er,
frame He knows. In His hands He gen - tly bears us,
it is gone. But while mor - tals rise and per - ish,
face to face. Saints tri - um - phant, bow be - fore Him,

ev - er - more His prais - es sing. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
slow to chide and swift to bless. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
res - cues us from all our foes. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
God en - dures un - chang - ing on! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
gath - ered in from eve - ry race. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Praise the ev - er - last - ing King! Al - le - lu - ia,
Glo - rious in His faith - ful - ness. Al - le - lu - ia,
Wide - ly yet His mer - cy flows. Al - le - lu - ia,
Praise the High E - ter - nal One! Al - le - lu - ia,
Praise with us the God of grace! Al - le - lu - ia,

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***Prayer of Adoration**

WE HEAR FROM GOD'S WORD

New Testament Reading—John 14:23-29

Jesus answered him, "If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words. And the word that you hear is not mine but the Father's who sent me.

"These things I have spoken to you while I am still with you. But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I will come to you.' If you loved me, you would have rejoiced, because I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you before it takes place, so that when it does take place you may believe."

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—Psalm 1:1

Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers.

Silent Confession and Lament

Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace—Psalm 1:2-3

But his delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law he meditates day and night. He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither. In all that he does, he prospers.

Leader: Christian, give thanks to God for the Law of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

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

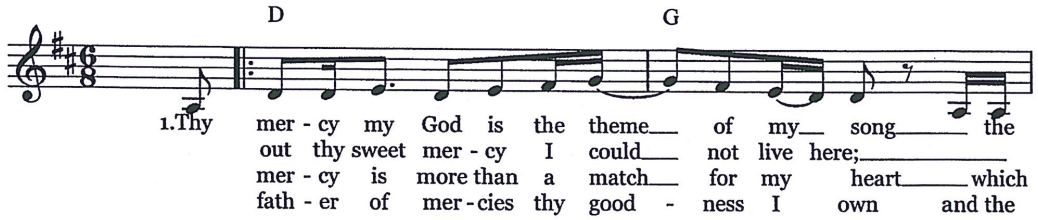
People: And also with you!

*Song of Rejoicing

Thy Mercy My God Is the Theme of My Song

Sandra McCracken

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1. Thy mer - cy my God is the theme of my song the
out thy sweet mer - cy I could not live here;
mer - cy is more than a match for my heart which
fath - er of mer - cies thy good - ness I own and the

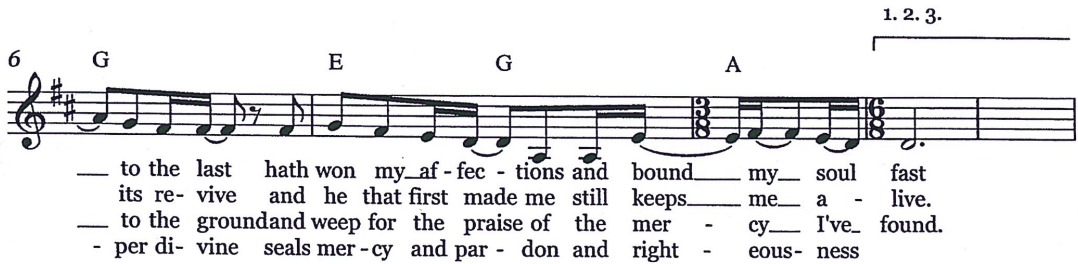
3 B G A E D/F#



joy of my heart and the boast of my tongue thy free grace a - lone from the first
Sin would re - duce me to ut - ter des - pair; but through thy free good - ness my spir -
won - ders to feel its own hard - ness de - part; dis - solved by thy good - ness I fall
cov - e - nant love of thy cruc - i - fied son; all praise to the spi - rit whose whis

6 G E G A

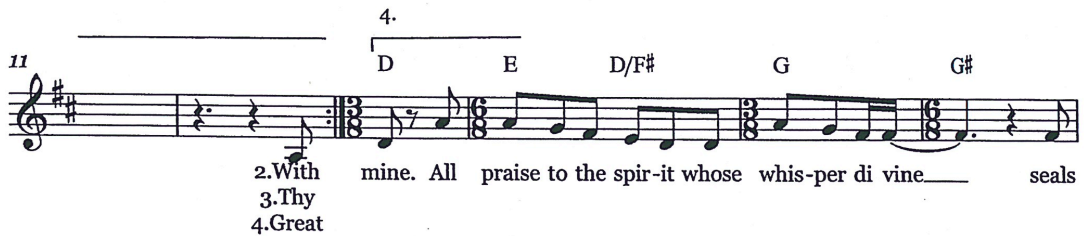
1. 2. 3.



to the last hath won my af - fec - tions and bound my soul fast
its re - vive and he that first made me still keeps me a - live.
to the ground and weep for the praise of the mer - cy I've found.
- per di - vine seals mer - cy and par - don and right - eous - ness

11 D E D/F# G G#

4.



mine. All praise to the spir - it whose whis - per di vine seals

2. With
3. Thy
4. Great

17 E G A



mer - cy and par don and right - eous - ness mine.

Recognition of Graduates

WE HUMBLE OURSELVES BEFORE THE LORD

Pastoral Prayer

Tithes and Offerings

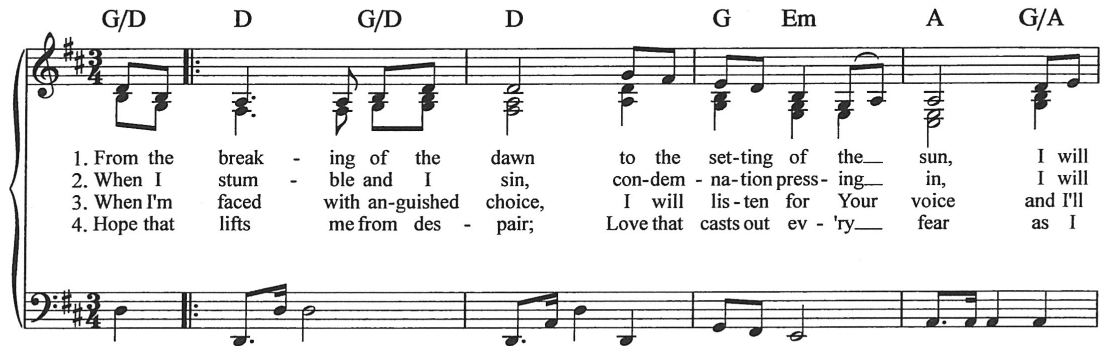
(Children ages 4yr to 2nd grade may be excused for Children's Church)

Offertory Song

Every Promise of Your Word

Words and Music by Keith Getty and Stuart Townend (Congregation to join on vs. 3-4)

G/D D G/D D G Em A G/A



1. From the break - ing of the dawn to the set-ting of the sun, I will
2. When I stum - ble and I sin, con-dem - na-tion press - ing in, I will
3. When I'm faced with an-guished choice, I will lis - ten for Your voice and I'll
4. Hope that lifts me from des - pair; Love that casts out ev - 'ry fear as I

5 D G G/A D G/D D⁵ G/D D G/D



stand on ev-'ry pro-mise of Your Word. Words of po - wer, strong to
stand on ev-'ry pro-mise of Your Word. You are faith - ful to for
stand on ev-'ry pro-mise of Your Word. Through this dark and troub-led
stand on ev-'ry pro-mise of Your Word. Not for - sa - ken, not a -



10 D G Em A G/A D

save, that will ne - ver pass a - way; I will stand on ev - 'ry
 give, that in free - dom I might live, so I stand on ev - 'ry
 land, You will guide me with Your hand as I stand on ev - 'ry
 lone, for the Com - for - ter has come; And I stand on ev - 'ry

14 Em⁷ G/A D G/D D⁵ D/F# G

pro-mise of Your Word. For Your co - ve - nant is
 pro-mise of Your Word. Guilt to inn - o - cence re -
 pro-mise of Your Word. And You've pro - mised to comp -
 pro-mise of Your Word. Grace suf - fi - cient, grace for

18 F#m Bm⁷ Em G Asus A G/A D

sure and on this I am se - cure - I can stand on ev - 'ry
 stored; You re - mem - ber sins no more. So I'll stand on ev - 'ry
 lete ev - 'ry work be - gun in me. So I'll stand on ev - 'ry
 me; Grace for all who will be - lieve. We will stand on ev - 'ry

22 Em⁷ G/A D G/D D⁵ G/D D⁵

pro-mise of Your Word. 2. When I
 pro-mise of Your Word. 3. When I'm
 pro-mise of Your Word. 4. Hope that
 pro-mise of Your Word.

Sermon

"What Time Is It?"

Part of a Series on The Foundations of the Christian Faith

2 Timothy 3:16-17

Pablo Rosales

***Song of Response**

How Firm a Foundation
Trinity Hymnal #94

***Benediction**

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday school classes for all ages meet today.

Nursery workers NEEDED! Volunteering in one of our two nursery rooms is such a great way to care for your church family. Please see Sarah Oehlerking if you are interested.

Men's Bible Study will resume on Fri., Jun. 10 (we will not meet on Wednesdays in the summer).

Women's Bible Studies: The Tues. Evening group meets at Melissa Jorgensen's at 7pm (next gathering: 5/24) to discuss the Sermon on the Mount. The Wed. studies are on hiatus until Aug.

Student Ministry midweek schedule: No gathering this Wed. We will resume youth group on Wed., Jun. 1st. New Summer times: Jr High from 5:45-7pm. and Sr High from 7-8:30pm

VBS: registration is now open for this Summer's VBS, July 11-15 from 6-7:30pm for kids pre-k through 5th gr. Register on Church Center.

Volunteers next week: Nursery: McCall, Oehlerking, Jorgensen. **Ushers:** Oehlerking, Moen, Smith, Broughton.

Missionaries, Hatem and Lisa Botros will be in St. Louis with their two children Jul. 18-Aug. 31st. They are looking for a place to stay during that time. Please contact the church office if you are able to help.

Trinity Ladies: Be sure to take home the Summer Schedule of fun events. If you didn't get one on your way in, pick one up at the welcome table.

OASIS Coffee: Oasis has partnered with Cherry Street Roasters in Illinois to provide a smooth, Fairtrade Sumatra bean coffee. Bags of coffee are available to purchase directly from our new coffee area through the QR code. ALL of the proceeds go directly to support Oasis' work with newly-arriving refugees right here in St. Louis.

NEXT SUNDAY: Pablo's Service of Ordination and Installation on Sunday, May 29th during the morning worship service. Join us for a reception to follow. We will not have SS next week.

New Small Group: join us on the 1st & 3rd Thurs. from 10-11:130am at Trinity, beginning Jun. 2nd. Contact the church office for more info.

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](#):



PROMOTION SUNDAY

Today we celebrate an end to the Sunday school year for our children's ministry. Thank you to all of our amazing teachers! We also want to extend a "congratulations" to all the graduates.

Officer **nominations for elder or deacon** can be filled out here through May 29, 2022:



YOUTH & ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Jr High Sunday School, grades 6th-8th, meet downstairs in room LL4. This spring the Jr. High are going through a study on Prayer.

Sr. High Sunday School, (9th-12th), meet downstairs in room LL1. The Sr. High are going through a study of the book of Daniel.

The Essential Truths of the Christian Faith

Rev. Dr. Chris Polski & Pablo Rosales

Classroom Two

Continuing through the summer, we will be embarking on a new preaching series entitled, The Essential Truths of the Christian Faith. Alongside of this preaching series we will be hosting a Sunday school that continues on with the theological themes covered in each week's sermon.

Why take the time to do a preaching series on theology?

Because basic theological understanding is eroding in modern Christianity and with it, an ability to clearly articulate the reasons why the gospel is so compelling. Theology, as John Frame says, is "applying scripture to life!" To that end we not only want you to better understand the various doctrines of the Christian faith, but to realize their significance for Christian living and their value in evangelism.

So please join us as we dialogue about the application of the doctrine covered in each week's sermon.

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!

MISSION UPDATE

Trinity Gifts Survey

Every one of us has a gift (or many). Are you an artist? A coach? Do you teach/tutor math, science, English, or bible? Can you paint? Rewire a home? Are you a plumber? A landscaper? A singer or musician, etc., etc.? Where are you gifted?

We would love to know what your gifts are. We want to pray for you and encourage you in using the unique gifts that God has blessed you with. "For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them." (Eph 2:10)

We have made a "Trinity Gifts Survey" available for every member to fill out. Please take 5 minutes...just 5 minutes, to fill it out. Our goal is to create a gifts inventory, sort of like the way Joseph stored up the grain. When/If needs arise within the church or in the local community, we will know who is gifted in the areas of need so we can better serve one another and be a blessing to the world. (We completely understand that when a need arises you may not be available and that is completely okay).

The instructions are very simple.

- (1) Scan the QR code below or click on link in the upcoming email.
- (2) Find your area of gifting and click/fill in the boxes that apply.
*If you do not see your area of gifting listed, please fill in your gift near the bottom of the survey.
- (3) Submit survey
- (4) Pray with us that the Lord would guide Trinity Church in walking in the works that he would have for us.



Please contact Pablo with any questions, comments, or problems accessing the survey.

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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