



TRINITY CHURCH

— KIRKWOOD —

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WORSHIPING THE GOD WHO SHEPHERDS HIS PEOPLE

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Scripture Reader: Cheryl Poe

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Quotes and Reflections

"The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still water. He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake." — David, *Psalms 23*

"Depth and strength underlie the simplicity of this psalm. Its peace is not escape; its contentment is not complacency: there is a readiness to face deep darkness and imminent attack, and the climax reveals a love which homes towards no material goal but to the Lord Himself." — Derek Kidner, *Psalms 23, Shepherd and Friend*

"I have found over and over again how hard it is to be truly faithful to Jesus when I am alone. I need my brothers or sisters to pray with me, to speak with me about the spiritual task at hand, and to challenge me to stay pure in mind, heart, and body. But far more importantly, it is Jesus who heals, not I; Jesus who speaks words of truth, not I; Jesus who is Lord, not I. This is very clearly made visible when we proclaim the redeeming power of God together. Indeed, whenever we minister together, it is easier for people to recognize that we do not come in our own name, but in the name of the Lord Jesus who sent us."
— Henri Nouwen, *In the Name of Jesus*

WE READY OURSELVES FOR WORSHIP

From Donald Williams, *Mastering the Old Testament—The Shepherd's Psalm*

"In our highly specialized culture we are dependent upon professionals for our education, protection, medical care, legal advice—the list grows and grows. We can easily attach dependency needs to authority figures, from the president of the United States to our teacher or our employer or to our local pastor. We create substitute father and mother figures that meet our needs for order, direction, nurturing, and security. Some of the figures are vague and distant. Others are close and demanding. To assert that we should outgrow such dependency is absurd. The question is not whether to have these needs, but rather what to do with them. Certainly we must gain a major degree of independence by internalizing the ability to meet our security and acceptance needs for the sake of our adult health. At the same time, God calls us to shift our basic dependency from people to Himself. Psalm 23 is an exposition of our proper dependency upon the living Lord who wants to care for us in the way a shepherd cares for his sheep.

This psalm is the best loved single passage in the Old Testament. Untold millions have found comfort here in times of sorrow. The images are serene, pastoral, timeless. The psalm evokes a mood of meditative security. It ends with a ringing triumph: "And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever."

Psalm 23 reminds "sheep" that the Lord, the Great Shepherd, both provides and protects. This week, meditate on how the Lord has shepherded you. How has he protected you and provided for your needs? As you reflect on God's past actions in your life, thank God for his steadfast love, even in the valley of death's shadow. And also rejoice! Be glad and comforted that the one who holds the keys to Death and Hades, will soon shepherd us into His house forever.

Song of Preparation

Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us

Trinity Hymnal #599 (vv. 1-2)

***Call to Worship—Psalm 150:1-2**

Leader: Praise the Lord!

People: Praise God in his sanctuary;

Leader: Praise him in his mighty heavens!

People: Praise him for his mighty deeds;

All: Praise him according to his excellent greatness! Praise the Lord!

WE DECLARE THE ETERNAL WORTHINESS OF GOD

*Songs of Adoration

Pslam 150 (Praise the Lord)

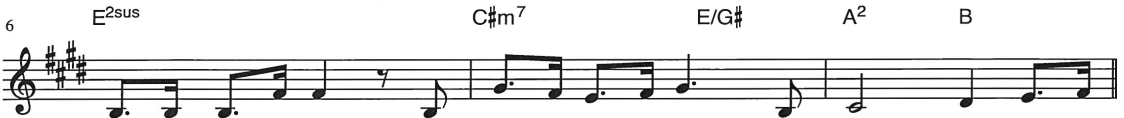
Words and Music by Matt Papa and Matt Boswell



1. You made the star - ry hosts, You traced the moun - tain peaks, You
 2. You reached in - to the dust, in love Your Spir - it breathed. You



paint the ev - 'ning skies with won - ders. The earth, it is Your throne from
 formed us in Your ver - y like - ness to know Your won - drous works, to



des - ert to the sea. All na - ture tes - ti - fies Your splen - dor. Praise the
 tell Your might - y deeds, to join the ev - er - last - ing cho - rus.

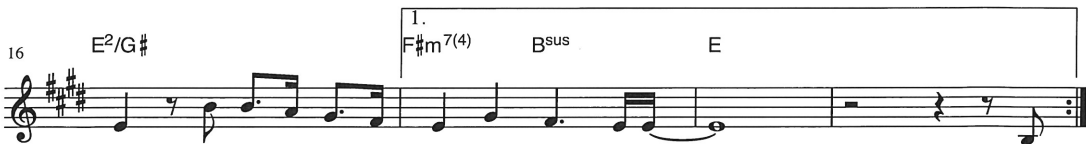
CHORUS 1



Lord, praise the Lord, sing His great - ness, all cre - a - tion. Praise the



Lord, raise your voice, you heights and all you depths, from furth - est east to



west, let ev - 'ry-thing that has breath praise the Lord. — 2. You



has breath praise the Lord. —

24 A F F^{2sus}

3. Let sym - phon - ies re - sound, let drums and choirs ring out, all

27 F F^{2sus} F F

heav - en hear the sound of wor - ship. Let ev - 'ry na - tion bring its

30 F^{2sus} Dm⁷ F/A B^b2 C

hon - ors to the King, a roar of har - mon - ies e - ter - nal. Praise the

CHORUS 2

33 F Gm⁷⁽⁴⁾ F/A B^b2(no3) C^{sus}

Lord, praise the Lord, sing His great - ness, all cre - a - tion. Praise the

37 Dm⁷ C/E F/A B^b2(no3)

Lord, raise your voice, you heights and all you depths, from furth - est east to

40 F/C B^b2/D F/C

west, you dis - tant burn - ing stars, all crea - tures near and far, from sky to sea to

43 Gm⁷⁽⁴⁾ F/A B^b C F

shore, sing out for ev - er - more, let ev - 'ry-thing that has breath praise the Lord. _

***Prayer of Adoration**

WE HEAR FROM GOD'S WORD

New Testament Reading—Luke 14:1; 7-14

Parable of the Wedding Feast and Great Banquet

One Sabbath, when he went to dine at the house of a ruler of the Pharisees, they were watching him carefully

Now he told a parable to those who were invited, when he noticed how they chose the places of honor, saying to them, “When you are invited by someone to a wedding feast, do not sit down in a place of honor, lest someone more distinguished than you be invited by him, and he who invited you both will come and say to you, ‘Give your place to this person,’ and then you will begin with shame to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit in the lowest place, so that when your host comes he may say to you, ‘Friend, move up higher.’ Then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at table with you. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted.”

He said also to the man who had invited him, “When you give a dinner or a banquet, do not invite your friends or your brothers[b] or your relatives or rich neighbors, lest they also invite you in return and you be repaid. But when you give a feast, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, and you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you. For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the just.

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—Hebrews 13:7

Remember your leaders, those who spoke to you the word of God.
Consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith.

Silent Confession and Lament

Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace—Hebrews 13:8

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever; Through him then let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God.

Leader: People of God, give thanks be to God for His unchanging nature in spite of our sin.

People: Thanks be to God!

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

People: And also with you!

***Song of Rejoicing**

It Is Well With My Soul
Trinity Hymnal #691

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)

Lily in the Valley

Kristyn Getty and Ben Shive

Lily in the valley, sparrows in skies above,
the sun now slowly setting held in Father's love.
O child, do not be troubled. You are worth more than these!
His face is shone upon you; He is the pearl you seek.
And worry adds no single hour but He knows every need.

Sermon

"Living with the Shepherd"

Psalm 23

Rev. Dr. Paul Kooistra

*Song of Response

Isaiah 43

Composer Unknown

Musical staff 1 with chords: Dm, Dm/C, Bb

1. When you pass through the wa - ters, I will be with you
2. When you walk through the fire, You'll not be burned.

Musical staff 2 with chords: Eb, Bb, Dm, Dm/C, Bb, C, Bb, F

And the waves will not ov - er - come you. Do not fear. For
And the flames will not con - sume you. Do not fear For

Musical staff 3 with chords: C, Bb, Eb, Bb, Dm, Dm/C, Bb

I have re - deemed you. I have called you by name, you are mine
I have re - deemed you. I have called you by name, you are mine.

Musical staff 4 with chords: C, F, Ebadd9

17 Women: I am the Lord your God

Men: For I am the Lord your God I am the Lord Your

Musical staff 5 with chords: God, Gm, C, Gm, C

Unison:

God I am the Ho - ly One of Is - ra - el Your

Musical staff 6 with chords: Bb, Ebadd9, C, F

24 Women: I am the Lord your

Sa - vior. Men: For I am the Lord your God

28 Ebadd9 God God Gm C

I am the Lord Your God Unison: I am the Ho - ly One of

31 Gm C Bb Ebadd9 C F F/E
Women: Do not

Is - ra - el Your Sa - vior Men: I am the Lord

35 F/D fear F/C Bb Do not F/A Gm fear C F Do F/E not

I am the Lord I am the Lord

39 F/D fear F/C Bb Do not Gm fear C

I am the Lord

The image shows a musical score for a song. It consists of four staves of music in G minor, with a key signature of one flat. The first staff starts at measure 28 and ends at measure 30. The second staff starts at measure 31 and ends at measure 34. The third staff starts at measure 35 and ends at measure 38. The fourth staff starts at measure 39 and ends at measure 42. The lyrics are: 'I am the Lord Your God I am the Holy One of Israel Your Savior I am the Lord I am the Lord I am the Lord'. There are three vocal parts: Unison, Women, and Men. Chords are indicated above the notes. The score ends with a double bar line at the end of the fourth staff.

***Benediction**

UPCOMING EVENTS

Join us today after the service **as we walk thru how to use Church Center** to access the directory, giving, calendar, sign ups, and more!

Children's Sunday school classes kickoff TODAY. We will have 3 classes: Preschool through Kindergarten (must be 3 years old by July 31st and potty trained), 1st through 3rd grade, and 4th through 5th grade.

Wed. night dinner: Register today for dinner at 5:30. We will have a taco bar from Chipotle. Adult-\$8.25, Children-\$4.25. **Deadline to register is Tue. at 10am.** Go to events in Church Center or email Amy Mitchell.

Jr. & Sr. High Students: Join us for the **Fall Kickoff this Wed.** Jr. High from 5:45-7:15pm and Sr. High from 7:15-8:45pm

Men's Bible study will begin on Wed., Aug. 31 at 6pm (they will not meet on Fri. mornings), continuing with a look at the Book of Acts.

Women, meet weekly beginning Aug. 31 at 9am or 6pm to study 1, 2, 3 John, or on Tuesdays at 7pm twice a month we will meet to discuss Ecclesiastes at Melissa Jorgensen's home (9/14)

Both **Children and Adult Choirs** will be starting up in the next few weeks. The children will meet on Wed. nights during ACTION and the adult choir will meet during Sunday school starting Sept. 11. See Katie Polski if you are interested.

Men's Breakfast: Monthly breakfasts will kick off Sat., Sept. 10 from 8-9:30am in the Narthex. Please RSVP to kirblues2@yahoo.com. Attendance needed for food preparation.

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), **Greeters:** James Broughton (jlbroughton12@gmail.com), **Nursery:** Alyce Bava (jimnalyce@yahoo.com). **Children's SS:** Michelle Goldstein or Melissa Kocker (medcalf.melissa@gmail.com)

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:](#)



A C T I O N

All Church Things In One Night will THIS Wed. There will be something for all ages: children's choir, games, lessons (ages 4yr-5th gr.), jr. high, men's and women's bible studies, and nursery (*please let the church office know if you have a child 3 and under*). We will start with dinner at 5:30 (order thru the weekly email, Church Center, or bring your own), followed by the above ministries from 6-7:15pm. This is a great opportunity for your whole family to grow and enjoy church fellowship!

MISSION UPDATE


Robinson Elementary Food Pantry — 2022-2023

Robinson Elementary hosts a food pantry every month during the school year. They collect and distribute food and supplies to families in need. Trinity Church has partnered with them and assists in greeting, meeting, and providing necessary items to families. During COVID, when public schools were forced to close, Trinity Church hosted the pantry at our location. Since returning to the school, we have the privilege and opportunity to come alongside Robinson Elementary and serve our community. Two volunteers are needed this upcoming month.

This service opportunity is limited to 2 volunteers per month. Registration is now open for all dates during the school year on our Events page in Church Center.

Praying for MO Missionaries – September 17, 2022

The Concert of Prayer will be hosted by the MTW Committee of the Missouri Presbytery and the MTW Midwest Hub. We will be highlighting some of our missionaries that will be sent out from the MO Presbytery. This will be a time of praying for the regions the missionaries will be serving in, for unreached people, and for our cross-cultural workers. This is a free family friendly event that we hope many families from your churches will consider attending. This event will be held at The Commons (Chesterfield PCA's East campus) at 5:00 PM on September 17, 2022. Registration for this event closes on September 12th. We hope to see you all there. If you have any questions, please feel free to email Pastor Pablo.

Register here: 

Mark Your Calendar and Invite Your Neighbors

We will be gathering in the evening of Sept. 24th for some fun on our beautiful property. **Mark your calendar and invite your neighbors.** Here are some things that are happening that you will not want to miss:

- Bouncy House
- Dunk Tank (Dunk a Pastor(s) / Yankees Fan)
- Petting Zoo (Donkey, Goats, Sheep, Rabbits, Piggy)
- Pony Rides (I know what you're thinking...No, grown-ups...not for you!)
- Face painting
- Pig Roast

Coming Soon — **Oasis BBQ has been rescheduled.** 2023 will be here before we know it (Costco has already put out Christmas trees!!!). Start praying for good weather.

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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