



TRINITY

P R E S B Y T E R I A N

A S H E V I L L E

Order of Worship
February 2, 2025

Welcome

In the name of Jesus, this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are spiritually weak and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to whomsoever will come.

We are glad that you have joined us to worship the Living God! Please stay after the service and get to know others in our community who are calling Trinity “home.” If you have any questions about our church, feel free to contact us using the information in the back of the bulletin.

Our Worship Service has an intentional structure designed to reflect our belief that worship is a conversation between God and His people. The service begins as we all respond to God’s **calling** us to worship Him. But upon responding to that call, we realize that we must be reminded of the **cleansing** given to us through Christ. God then gives us His **charter** as we hear Him speak through Scripture. This is followed by the heavenly feast called **communion**. Finally, God dismisses us with His blessing in the **commission**.

There are a few options for your children. Whole families worshipping together is one of the chief values of Trinity. While our kids may not grasp everything that takes place, their hearts are being formed through participating in the weekly act of worship and observing the people of God singing, praying, and giving their hearts to God! We have children’s bulletins and Bibles available in the foyer. For our youngest kids, a staffed nursery is available, Room 101 is a dedicated cry room for nursing mothers, and children ages two through five are given the choice of attending children’s worship in Room 104; dismissal is before the sermon.

TPC welcomes to the Lord’s Table all baptized Christians who are trusting in Christ alone for their salvation, have made a public profession of faith, and belong to a church where the Gospel is proclaimed and cherished. The Lord’s Supper is a time of fellowship between the risen Lord Jesus Christ and His church. It is not a private take-out meal. To receive the Supper rightly you must belong to Him by faith, and to His covenant people.

* Gathering Song

Rejoice

Rejoice in the Lord, now and always; sing it again, we rejoice.
Delight in the love he has shown us, gratefully lift up your voice.
His gentleness among us will join our hearts with praise.
We gather in his goodness; a family of grace.

(Chorus)

*With each breath he's given, praise the Lord!
In these times we live in, we will praise the Lord.
Throughout ev'ry season, I am sure
we have every reason to praise the Lord.*

Rejoice and be anxious for nothing, praying for all that you need.
Come with a song of thanksgiving; lay your requests at his feet.
His peace will fall upon us, to guard our hearts and minds
in Christ, who reigns eternal; the Shepherd of our lives.

Chorus

Rejoice in the Lord, now and always; tell of the good he has done.
Worship the Lord to remember all of the joy yet to come.
The hope that burns within us the dark cannot destroy.
With praise that's never ending, we say again, "Rejoice!"

Chorus

... We have every reason to praise the Lord.

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Welcome and Announcements

(See rear pages for more information)

Calling

* Call to Worship

Colossians 1:15-20

Leader: He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation.

All: For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

Leader: And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent.

All: For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

* Hymn of Praise

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ the head and cornerstone,
chosen of the Lord and precious, binding all the church in one;
holy Zion's help forever and her confidence alone.

All that dedicated city, dearly loved of God on high,
in exultant jubilation pours perpetual melody;
God the One in Three adoring in glad hymns eternally.

To this temple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of hosts today:
with thy wonted loving-kindness hear thy people as they pray;
and thy fullest benediction shed within its walls away.

Laud and honor to the Father, laud and honor to the Son,
laud and honor to the Spirit, ever Three and ever One,
One in might, and One in glory, while unending ages run.

Cleansing

The Law of God

Ephesians 2:1-3

And you were dead in the trespasses and sins in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience—among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind.

Unison Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, King, and Creator: we confess that we have sinned against you by following after a lesser prince who promised us a greater life but brought with him instead death and disobedience. Having given him our allegiance we were in bondage to him and existed like the living dead, without hope in this world, and by our very nature the objects of your displeasure and wrath. Father, the severity of our situation demanded a severe mercy which you gave to us in Christ, and it is to him alone that we look for the forgiveness of sins—past, present, and future. It is to him alone that we look for the transformation of our beings so that we partake of the divine nature. It is to him alone that we look for our salvation. Hear our prayers for his sake. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Ephesians 2:4-9

Leader: But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved—and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

* Response Song

Approach, My Soul

Approach, my soul, the mercy seat, where Jesus answers prayer;
there humbly fall before his feet, for none can perish there.
Thy promise is my only plea, with this I venture nigh;
thou calls our burdened souls to thee, and such, O Lord, am I.

(Chorus)

*Oh wondrous love! Oh boundless grace!
Rejoice my soul forever, Christ has made a way!*

Bowed down beneath a load of sin, by Satan sorely pressed,
by wars without, and fears within, I come to thee for rest.
Be thou my shield and hiding place, that, sheltered near thy side,
I may my fierce accuser face, and tell him thou hast died.

Chorus

O wondrous love, to bleed and die, to bear the cross and shame,
that guilty sinners such as I, might plead thy gracious name.
The tempted soul he tells, "Be still, my promised grace receive."
'Tis Jesus speaks; I must, I will, I can, I do believe.
'Tis Jesus speaks; I must, I will, I can, I do believe.

Oh wondrous love! Oh boundless grace!
Rejoice my soul forever, Christ has made a way!

(Repeat)

Pastoral Prayer (concluding with the Lord's Prayer)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Offering

Children's Church (ages two through Kindergarten) may dismiss at this time.

Hymn of Preparation

The Gospel Brings Tidings

The gospel brings tidings, glad tidings indeed,
to mourners in Zion, who want to be freed
from sin, and from Satan, and Mount Sinai's flame,
good news of salvation, through Jesus the Lamb.

What sweet invitations the gospel contains,
to men heavy laden with bondage and chains;
it welcomes the weary to come and be blessed
with ease from their burdens, in Jesus to rest.

For every poor mourner, who thirsts for the Lord,
a fountain is opened in Jesus the Word;
their poor parchèd conscience to cool and to wash
from guilt and pollution, from dead works and dross.

A robe is provided, their shame now to hide,
in which none are clothèd but Jesus' bride;
and though it be costly, yet is the robe free,
and all Zion's mourners shall decked with it be.

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* Scripture Reading

Zechariah 9:1-11:3

9 The oracle of the word of the LORD is against the land of Hadrach and Damascus is its resting place. For the LORD has an eye on mankind and on all the tribes of Israel, ²and on Hamath also, which borders on it, Tyre and Sidon, though they are very wise.³ Tyre has built herself a rampart and heaped up silver like dust, and fine gold like the mud of the streets. ⁴But behold, the LORD will strip her of her possessions and strike down her power on the sea, and she shall be devoured by fire.⁵ Ashkelon shall see it, and be afraid; Gaza too, and shall writhe in anguish; Ekron also, because its hopes are confounded. The king shall perish from Gaza; Ashkelon shall be uninhabited; ⁶a mixed people shall dwell in Ashdod, and I will cut off the pride of Philistia. ⁷I will take away its blood from its mouth, and its abominations from between its teeth; it too shall be a remnant for our God; it shall be like a clan in Judah, and Ekron shall be like the Jebusites. ⁸Then I will encamp at my house as a guard, so that none shall march to and fro; no oppressor shall again march over them, for now I see with my own eyes.

⁹Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. ¹⁰I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall speak peace to the nations; his rule shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. ¹¹As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. ¹²Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double. ¹³For I have bent

Judah as my bow; I have made Ephraim its arrow. I will stir up your sons, O Zion, against your sons, O Greece, and wield you like a warrior's sword.

¹⁴Then the LORD will appear over them, and his arrow will go forth like lightning; the LORD God will sound the trumpet and will march forth in the whirlwinds of the south. ¹⁵The LORD of hosts will protect them, and they shall devour, and tread down the sling stones and they shall drink and roar as if drunk with wine, and be full like a bowl, drenched like the corners of the altar. ¹⁶On that day the LORD their God will save them, as the flock of his people; for like the jewels of a crown they shall shine on his land. ¹⁷For how great is his goodness, and how great his beauty! Grain shall make the young men flourish, and new wine the young women.

10 Ask rain from the LORD in the season of the spring rain, from the LORD who makes the storm clouds, and he will give them showers of rain, to everyone the vegetation in the field. ²For the household gods utter nonsense, and the diviners see lies; they tell false dreams and give empty consolation. Therefore the people wander like sheep; they are afflicted for lack of a shepherd. ³"My anger is hot against the shepherds, and I will punish the leaders; for the LORD of hosts cares for his flock, the house of Judah, and will make them like his majestic steed in battle. ⁴From him shall come the cornerstone, from him the tent peg, from him the battle bow, from him every ruler—all of them together. ⁵They shall be like mighty men in battle, trampling the foe in the mud of the streets; they shall fight because the LORD is with them, and they shall put to shame the riders on horses. ⁶"I will strengthen the house of Judah, and

I will save the house of Joseph. I will bring them back because I have compassion on them, and they shall be as though I had not rejected them, for I am the LORD their God and I will answer them.⁷ Then Ephraim shall become like a mighty warrior, and their hearts shall be glad as with wine. Their children shall see it and be glad; their hearts shall rejoice in the LORD.⁸ "I will whistle for them and gather them in, for I have redeemed them, and they shall be as many as they were before."⁹ Though I scattered them among the nations, yet in far countries they shall remember me, and with their children they shall live and return.¹⁰ I will bring them home from the land of Egypt, and gather them from Assyria, and I will bring them to the land of Gilead and to Lebanon, till there is no room for them.

¹¹ He shall pass through the sea of troubles and strike down the waves of the sea, and all the depths of the Nile shall be dried up. The pride of Assyria shall be laid low, and the scepter of Egypt shall depart.¹² "I will make them strong in the Lord, and they shall walk in his name," declares the LORD.

11 Open your doors, O Lebanon, that the fire may devour your cedars!² Wail, O cypress, for the cedar has fallen, for the glorious trees are ruined! Wail, oaks of Bashan, for the thick forest has been felled!³ The sound of the wail of the shepherds, for their glory is ruined! The sound of the roar of the lions, for the thicket of the Jordan is ruined!

Sermon Notes

Prisoners of Hope | Rev. Robert Recio

Communion

Confession of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord:
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell.†
The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic‡ church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

† “descended into hell” means his literally experiencing God’s wrath

‡ “catholic church” means the universal church

Celebration of the Lord’s Supper

We welcome to the table all baptized Christians who are trusting in Christ alone for their salvation, have made a public profession of faith, and are accountable members of a Gospel-believing church.

The bread and wine will be passed to you.

Please hold the elements so that we partake of them together.

We offer gluten free crackers in the paper liners of each tray.

Please note that grape juice is in the grape-colored cups and wine is in the clear cups.

Closing Song (CUP)

And Can It Be That I Should Gain

And can it be that I should gain an int'rest in the Savior's blood?
Died he for me, who caused his pain? For me, who him to death pursued?
Amazing love! How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

(Refrain)

Amazing love! How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

He left his Father's throne above (so free, so infinite his grace!),
humbled himself (so great his love!) and bled for all his chosen race!
'Tis mercy all, immense and free, for, O my God, it found out me! (Ref.)

Long my imprisoned spirit lay fast bound in sin and nature's night;
thine eye diffused a quick'ning ray; I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;
my chains fell off, my heart was free; I rose, went forth, and followed thee. (Ref.)

No condemnation now I dread; Jesus, and all in him, is mine!
Alive in him, my living Head, and clothed in righteousness divine,
bold I approach th'eternal throne, and claim the crown, through Christ, my own. (Ref.)

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* Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him, above, ye heav'nly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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Commission

* Benediction

Announcements and Contact

This week...

- 2/5 Prayer meeting at 5:45 PM
Wednesday Night Gathering at 6 PM
Choir Rehearsal at 6:30 PM
- 2/6 Men's Bible Study at 7:30 AM
Women's From Garden to Glory Study at 9:45 AM
Band Rehearsal at 7 PM
- 2/8 Men's Breakfast at 8 AM

Save the Dates:

- 3/21 Family Game Night
6/17-19 Theological Foundations for Youth
7/21-25 Vacation Bible School

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