



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
March 23, 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.

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*** Please stand as you are able.**

* Gathering Song

Only a Holy God

Who else commands all the hosts of heaven?
Who else could make every king bow down?
Who else can whisper and darkness trembles?
Only a holy God.

What other beauty demands such praises?
What other splendor outshines the sun?
What other majesty rules with justice?
Only a holy God.

(Chorus)

*Come and behold him, the one and the only.
Cry out, sing "Holy, forever a holy God."
Come and worship the holy God.*

What other glory consumes like fire?
What other power can raise the dead?
What other name remains undefeated?
Only a holy God.

Chorus

Who else could rescue me from my failing?
Who else would offer His only Son?
Who else invites me to call him Father?
Only a holy God.
Only my holy God!

Chorus

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Welcome and Announcements

(See rear pages for more information)

Calling

* Call to Worship

Psalm 96:1-4

Leader: Oh sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth!

ALL: Sing to the LORD, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day.

Leader: Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples!

ALL: For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; he is to be feared above all gods.

* Hymn of Praise

Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim

Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim,
and publish abroad his wonderful name;
the name, all victorious, of Jesus extol;
his kingdom is glorious and rules over all.

God ruleth on high, almighty to save;
and still he is nigh – his presence we have.
The great congregation his triumph shall sing,
ascribing salvation to Jesus, our King.

Salvation to God, who sits on the throne!
Let all cry aloud and honor the Son.
The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim,
fall down on their faces and worship the Lamb.

Then let us adore, and give him his right,
all glory and pow'r, and wisdom and might,
all honor and blessing, with angels above,
and thanks never ceasing for infinite love.

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* Prayer of Invocation

Cleansing

Unison Prayer of Confession

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry, and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Jeremiah 31:33-34

Leader: This is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they shall be my people. For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.

* Response Song

All I Have Is Christ

I once was lost in darkest night, yet thought I knew the way;
the sin that promised joy and life had led me to the grave.
I had no hope that you would own a rebel to your will,
and if you had not loved me first, I would refuse you still.

But as I ran my hell-bound race, indifferent to the cost,
You looked upon my helpless state and led me to the cross.
And I beheld God's love displayed, you suffered in my place;
you bore the wrath reserved for me; now all I know is grace!

(Chorus)

*Hallelujah! All I have is Christ!
Hallelujah! Jesus is my life!*

Now, Lord, I would be yours alone and live so all might see
the strength to follow your commands could never come from me.
O Father, use my ransomed life in any way you choose,
and let my song forever be: my only boast is you.

Chorus

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Old Testament Reading

Psalm 90

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 King of Love My Shepherd Is (Psalm 23)

The King of love my Shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never;
I nothing lack if I am his and he is mine forever.

Where streams of living water flow my ransomed soul he leadeth,
and where the verdant pastures grow, with food celestial feedeth.

Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, but yet in love he sought me,
and on his shoulder gently laid, and home, rejoicing, brought me.

In death's dark vale I fear no ill with thee, dear Lord, beside me;
thy rod and staff my comfort still, thy cross before to guide me.

Thou spread'st a table in my sight; thine unction grace bestoweth;
and O what transport of delight from thy pure chalice floweth.

And so through all the length of days thy goodness faileth never:
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise within thy house forever.

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* Scripture Reading

John 8:48-59

⁴⁸ The Jews answered him, "Are we not right in saying that you are a Samaritan and have a demon?" ⁴⁹ Jesus answered, "I do not have a demon, but I honor my Father, and you dishonor me. ⁵⁰ Yet I do not seek my own glory; there is One who seeks it, and he is the judge. ⁵¹ Truly, truly, I say to you, if anyone keeps my word, he will never see death." ⁵² The Jews said to him, "Now we know that you have a demon! Abraham died, as did the prophets, yet you say, 'If anyone keeps my word, he will never taste death.'" ⁵³ Are you greater than our father Abraham, who died? And the prophets died! Who do you make yourself out to be?" ⁵⁴ Jesus answered, "If I glorify myself, my glory is nothing. It is my Father who glorifies me, of whom you say, 'He is our God.'" ⁵⁵ But you have not known him. I know him. If I were to say that I do not know him, I would be a liar like you, but I do know him and I keep his word. ⁵⁶ Your father Abraham rejoiced that he would see my day. He saw it and was glad." ⁵⁷ So the Jews said to him, "You are not yet fifty years old, and have you seen Abraham?" ⁵⁸ Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I am." ⁵⁹ So they picked up stones to throw at him, but Jesus hid himself and went out of the temple.

Sermon Notes

You Will Never Taste Death | 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)

See the Destined Day Arise

See the destined day arise! See a willing sacrifice!
Jesus, to redeem our loss, hangs upon the shameful cross;
Jesus, who but you could bear wrath so great and justice fair?
Every pang and bitter throe, finishing your life of woe?

(Chorus)

*Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Lamb of God for sinners slain!
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Jesus Christ, we praise your name!*

Who but Christ had dared to drain, steeped in gall, the cup of pain,
and with tender body bear, thorns and nails and piercing spear?
Slain for us, the water flowed, mingled from your side with blood;
sign to all attesting eyes of the finished sacrifice.

Chorus

Holy Jesus, grant us grace in that sacrifice to place
all our trust for life renewed, pardoned sin, and promised good.
Grant us grace to sing your praise, 'round your throne through endless days,
Ever with the sons of light: "Blessing, honor, glory, might!"

Chorus

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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:

- 3/25 Missions Team meeting at 4PM
- 3/26 Prayer meeting at 5:45PM
Youth Group at 6PM
Choir Rehearsal at 6:30PM
- 3/27 Band Rehearsal at 7PM
- 3/30 Spring Gathering registration fee increase

Next Wednesday, our **children's and adult discipleship classes** resume. Hope to see you!

Ladies, Pastor Robert will be teaching **"The Heart of the Gospel"** on Thursday mornings 10AM-Noon, April 3-24. (See a study description in the flyers in the foyer and in the Weekly.) If you would like to attend, please register via the Weekly or the signup sheet in the foyer.

Save the Dates:

- 4/2 Wednesday Evening Discipleship resumes
- 4/3 Men's and Women's Bible Studies begin
- 4/5 Highlands Women's Spring Gathering
- 4/6 Youth Families: Sunday Night Sundaes
- 4/18 Good Friday service
- 4/27 Congregational Meeting to elect officers
- 6/17-19 Theological Foundations for Youth
- 7/21-25 Vacation Bible School

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