

April 21, 2024

Welcome to Trinity Presbyterian Church! (Presbyterian Church in America)

We are glad that you are with us this morning. We hope you feel welcome. Please let us know if we can help you in any way.

Our Worship Service lasts for about 75 minutes. Please use this worship bulletin as an aid in following the service. We hope you will find the service accessible whether you have spent your whole life in church or are attending for the very first time. Christian Education classes are available for all ages following the worship service.

Devices for the hearing impaired are available. Please go to the sound booth in the sanctuary if you would like one.

There are a few options for your children. We welcome children of all ages and abilities to remain with their parents in worship. We have children's bulletins and Bibles available in the foyer. Room 101 is a dedicated cry room for nursing mothers. Children ages two through five are given the choice of attending a children's worship time in Room 104; dismissal is before the sermon. We love children here at Trinity. For their safety, please do not leave them unattended in or outside the building.

The Trinity 'Weekly' is an email that comes out every Thursday evening. It is the central line of communication for our church. To receive the Weekly, please subscribe at the bottom of the church website home page.

To connect with our church, please feel free to speak with our pastor, elders, or greeters. They can give you information on our small group Bible studies and other ministry opportunities. You may also complete a contact card (found on the back page of this bulletin) or send an email to <u>tish@trinityasheville.com</u>. Additional information may also be found at the welcome table in the foyer or on our website: trinityasheville.com.

GOD CALLS US

* Please stand as you are able.

* Gathering Song

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall; bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all; bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all.

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, ye ransomed from the fall; hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all; hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all.

> Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe on this terrestrial ball, to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all; to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all.

O that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall; we'll join the everlasting song and crown him Lord of all; we'll join the everlasting song and crown him Lord of all.

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Welcome and Announcements

(See rear pages for more information)

* Call to Worship

- Psalm 24:7-10
- Leader: Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in. Who is this king of glory?

All: The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle!

Leader: Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in. Who is this king of glory?

All: The LORD of hosts, He is the King of glory!

* Hymn of Praise

O Worship the King

O worship the King all glorious above, O gratefully sing his pow'r and his love; our Shield and Defender the Ancient of Days, pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.

O tell of his might, O sing of his grace, whose robe is the light, whose canopy space. His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form, and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.

Your bountiful care what tongue can recite? It breathes in the air; it shines in the light; it streams from the hills; it descends to the plain; and sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail, in you do we trust, nor find you to fail; your mercies how tender, how firm to the end, our Maker, Defender, Redeemer and Friend!

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* Prayer of Invocation & Adoration

GOD CLEANSES US

Unison Prayer of Confession

I, poor sinner, confess myself before God Almighty, that I have gravely sinned by the transgression of his commandments; that I have done many things which I should have left undone, and I have left undone that which I should have done, through unbelief and distrust in God and weakness of love toward my fellow servants. God knows the guilt I have incurred, for which I am grieved. Be gracious to me, Lord. Be merciful to me, a poor sinner.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

* Response Song

There is one gospel on which I stand for all eternity. It is my story, my Father's plan, the Son has rescued me. Oh, what a gospel, oh what a peace. My highest joy and my deepest need. Now and forever, he is my light. I stand in the gospel of Jesus Christ.

There is one gospel to which I cling, all else I count as loss. For there, where justice and mercy meet, he saved me on the cross. No more I boast in what I can bring, no more I carry the weight of sin. For he has brought me from death to life. I stand in the gospel of lesus Christ.

There is one gospel where hope is found, the empty tomb still speaks. For death could not keep my Savior down, he lives and I am free. Now on my Savior I fix my eyes, my life is his and his hope is mine. For he has promised I too, will rise. I stand in the gospel of Jesus Christ.

There Is One Gospel

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Romans 5:1-2

And in this gospel, the church is one, we do not walk alone. We have his Spirit as we press on to lead us safely home. And when in glory still I will sing of this old story that rescued me. Praise to my Savior, the King of life. I stand in the gospel of Jesus Christ. I stand in the gospel of Jesus Christ.

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New Testament Scripture Reading

Matthew 11:25-30

²⁵ At that time Jesus declared, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children; ²⁶ yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. ²⁷ All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. ²⁸ Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰ For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

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

The offering isn't about our monetary gifts alone, since the Gospel demands a much deeper response: God demands "our all" – every ounce of who we are. This act of 'worship through giving' is a spiritual discipline – and a joy – in offering ourselves as "living sacrifices" to God (Romans 12:1), and giving cheerfully out of our thankfulness to him. (2 Corinthians 9:7).

Online Giving: Text any dollar amount to 84321

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

Hymn of Preparation

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise, the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace.

My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim, to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of thy name.

Jesus, the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease; 'tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.

He breaks the pow'r of reigning sin, he sets the pris'ner free; his blood can make the foulest clean, his blood availed for me.

He speaks and, list'ning to his voice, new life the dead receive; the mournful, broken hearts rejoice; the humble poor believe.

Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb, your loosen'd tongues employ; ye blind, behold your Savior come; and leap, ye lame, for joy.

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GOD SPEAKS TO US

Please stand for the reading of God's Word.

 ⁵ Offer right sacrifices, and put your trust in the Lord. ⁶ There are many who say, "Who will show us some good? 					

Sermon Notes

Psalm 4 *Confidence in the Rest Giver* Mr. Arie Van Weelden

GOD STRENGTHENS US

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 Jesus Christ literally experiencing God's wrath ‡ "catholic church" means the universal church

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Trinity Presbyterian Church welcomes all baptized Christians who have made a public profession of faith and are members of any Bible-believing church to participate in the sacrament of the Lord's Supper with us.

Gluten free crackers are in the paper liners of each tray.

Understanding the Gospel

John 3:16 tells us: "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life."

This passage answers basic questions of who, what, why, when, and how. Please ask any of our church leaders to talk with you about what the Bible says about Jesus.

- · God so loved the world...
 - God loved the world in such a way to rescue people from their sins against Him (John 3:17; Il Corinthians 5:21).
- · He gave His only begotten Son...
 - He sent His Son to live among us, to show us His love, and to pay the penalty for our sins through His death on the cross (Romans 5:8; 6:23).
- That whoever believes in Him...
 - Believing in Christ means trusting in Him as the One who fully paid for our sins, and turning from our sins (including trusting in ourselves). It means receiving His free gift of salvation and full forgiveness, and trusting His Lordship in our lives (John 1:12; Ephesians 2:8-10; I John 5:11,12).
- Shall not perish, but have everlasting life.

Through faith in Jesus, we have eternal life and a family relationship with God as our Father. Because we trust Jesus as the One who died for our sins, we are rescued from God's judgment and have new life in His name (John 5:24; John 10:10; John 11:25,26).

* Closing Song

We Will Feast in the House of Zion

(Chorus)

We will feast in the house of Zion. We will sing with our hearts restored. "He has done great things," we will say together. We will feast and weep no more.

We will not be burned by the fire; he is the Lord our God. We are not consumed by the flood; upheld, protected, gathered up.

Chorus

In the dark of night, before the dawn, my soul, be not afraid. For the promised morning, oh how long? Oh, God of Jacob, be my strength.

Chorus

Every vow we've broken and betrayed; you are the faithful one. And from the garden to the grave, bind us together, bring shalom.

Chorus x 2

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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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GOD SENDS US

* Benediction and Dismissal

The LORD always has the final word in our worship service. This "bene" (good) "dictos" (word) is always a promise of His presence and blessing for all those who are in Him.

Western Carolina Rescue Ministries

Dear Trinity Presbyterian Church,

Thank you for creating testimonies of wholeness. It has always fascinated me how as humans, though our bodies are whole, our internal thoughts, feelings, and emotions are so fragmented.

Returning to wholeness for things like these is not easy. I have observed it takes time, dedication, community, and a special kind of love. Every day I am blessed to be here; it is my biggest priority to love our guests with a love that not only meets their needs but also helps them stay on the path to success. To meet them with love that can come only from Christ.

Every day when I see your gifts, I am blessed to see that this love will continue to exist for our guests. That through your support and love for these incredible individuals, you are showing them what it means to finally feel whole again. That is a gift no amount of money could purchase. Thank you.

If wholeness feels further than a distant friend for you, we want this to be a community you can heal in, too. If there is anything our dedicated team can pray about for you, or if you'd like to witness the impact of your generosity firsthand, please don't hesitate to contact Amanda Putnam at <u>amandap@westerncarolinarescue.org</u> or 828-570-5279.

Again, thank you for changing lives with us. May your blessings be abundant and your heart be full.

Faithfully serving,

Micheal Woods Executive Director

"Jesus saved my life, and Western Carolina Rescue Ministries helped me put it back together." – Brad, Men's Recovery Program Client

THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, April 21

Worship Service 9:30AM in Worship Area					
Sunday School for Children and Youth 11:00AM in Classrooms					
Twos and Threes (Room 102), Pre-K and K (Room 104), 1 st -2 nd (Room 105), 3 rd -5 th (Room 107)					
MS and HS with Arie Van Weelden (Modular Room 501)					
Sunday School for Adults 11:00AM in Worship Area					
Western Carolina Rescue Ministries					
Sunday Night Gathering with the Van Weeldens5:00PM in Room 205					
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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24

Praye	er Meeting		5:45PM in For	yer
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THURSDAY, April 25

"I AM" Bible Study	9:45 AM in Room 205
Band Rehearsal	7:00PM in Worship Area

UPCOMING DATES

April 28 - Congregational Meeting (following worship)

April 28 - Mountain Highway concert (6-8PM)

April 28 - Young Adult Hangout (5-7M)

May 12 – Congregational Meeting

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GENERAL

The Session is pleased to announce that Arie Van Weelden, candidate for the **Assistant Pastor for Youth and Families**, and his wife Mary are with us this morning. Arie will preach and lead the youth class Sunday morning. This evening's Sunday Night Gathering also will serve as a meet and greet for the Van Weeldens. Youth families, in particular, are encouraged to attend the Sunday Night Gathering in order to get to meet Arie and Mary.

The Session has called for a **Congregational Meeting** next Sunday, April 28, in order to dissolve the relationship between Trinity and Joe Mullen, as Associate Pastor, in the light of his retirement, effective June 28, 2024. We will also vote on electing Joe as Pastor Emeritus.

The Session has scheduled a **Congregational Meeting** for Sunday, May 12, for the purpose of electing elders. The following names will be on the ballot: Randy Bartlett, Conley Brown, Tim Carlson, Steve Eargle, Bryson Fleming, Jay Pratt, Norman Riddle, and Stephen Todd.

<u>WOMEN</u>

Join us this summer for a study of the classic **"Pilgrim's Progress"** by John Bunyan. Mariana Glass will facilitate our discussion on what the Lord is teaching us through this study. 6:30-8PM, Tuesdays, May 14 – August 6. Participant cost of materials: \$15 (cash or check, payable to Trinity). Your payment is your registration. More details in the Weekly.

OFFICERS

ELDERS: Zach Ashton, Randy Bartlett, Bill Brown, Conley Brown, Bryson Fleming, Joe Mullen, Brandon Ray, Robert Recio, Stephen Todd **DEACONS:** Harold Frost, Steve Miner, Dale Slusser

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Jonah Sensitive area

Joel & Kate Ledbetter Campus Outreach – Georgia

Chuck & Jimmie Lynn Linkston Paraclete Mission

Flavien & Inyange Sensitive area

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Andrew & Trish Shank RUF – Western Carolina

Dale Slusser Helps Ministries

Donnie & Kara West Africa

Steve & Rita Williams MTW – New Zealand

SUPPORTED ORGANIZATIONS

Asheville Buncombe Com Christian Ministry Highlands Presbytery Mountain Area Pregnancy Support Services PCA | Administrative Committee Swannanoa Valley Christian Ministry Western Carolina Rescue Ministries

CONTACT CARD

We are thankful to have you with us this morning. Please fill out this card if you would like to let us know you were here or if you would like to update your contact information with us. We ask that you place contact cards in the offering plate or turn them in at the welcome table or church office.

□ I am new to church

- □ I am new to Trinity
- □ I am a regular attendee
- Please update my contact info

□ Mr. □ Mrs. □ Ms. □ Miss. Name:

Email:

Spouse:

Spouse email:

Children (names & ages):

Street Address:

City/State/ZIP:

Home Phone:

Cell Phone:

I would like to receive more info about:

- Learning about Christianity
- □ Joining a growth group
- □ Becoming a church member
- □ Volunteering at Trinity
- □ I would like to receive church emails