



Welcome to our church!

We're glad you're here! We hope you experience the warmth and welcome of Christ our Savior in this community.



If this is your first time visiting, please fill out a **Visitor's Card**, we would love to meet you and help you get connected. Please visit **tcpca.org/visitor** or scan the QR code to the left with your smartphone camera.

Preparing Our Hearts for Worship...

Beauty now for ashes wear,
Perfumes for the garb of woe,
Chaplets for dishevelled hair,
Dances for sad footsteps slow;
Open wide your hearts that they
Let in joy this Easter Day.

Seek God's house in happy throng;
Crowded let His table be;
Mingle praises, prayer, and song,
Singing to the Trinity.
Henceforth let your souls always
Make each morn an Easter Day.

- Gerard Manley Hopkins

COVER ARTWORK

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Liturgy Notes

Do you have questions about how we worship? This column answers the “what” and “why” of each element of our liturgy.

Call to Worship

The Call to Worship is traditionally the first element in a Christian liturgy, serving as the moment of consecration. God’s word is used to invite us into the sacred time of corporate worship, and we respond with our voices as an answer to His call.

Congregational Singing

A unique aspect of Christian worship is that we sing together. Our singing is an expression of love for God and joy in his gospel. Singing strong hymns grounded in the truths of our theology raises our eyes from awe of the created to awe of the Creator. Scripture commands us to sing. Beautiful voices are not required, but a community joining together to sing truth and to sing it with passion and conviction is beautiful to our God.

Order of Worship

April 4, 2021 at 9:00AM, 11:00AM, and 1:00PM

Easter Sunday

REJOICE Declare the praises of God

Prelude

Call to Worship

LEADER: Christ is risen.

ALL: He is risen indeed!

LEADER: In His great mercy He has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. *(1 Peter 1:3)*

ALL: He is risen indeed!

LEADER: Jesus has come that we may have life, and have it to the fullest. *(John 10:10)*

ALL: He is risen indeed!

LEADER: If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come! *(2 Corinthians 5:17)*

ALL: He is risen indeed!

LEADER: God raised Him from the dead, freeing Him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for death to keep its hold on Him. *(Acts 2:24)*

ALL: He is risen indeed!

LEADER: Christ is risen.

ALL: He is risen indeed!

Hymn of Rejoicing *Christ The Lord Is Risen Today*

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Christ the Lord is risen today alleluia!
Sons of men and angels say alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high alleluia!
Sing ye heav’ns and earth reply alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King alleluia!
Where O death is now thy sting alleluia!
Dying once He all doth save alleluia!
Where thy victory O grave alleluia!

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Love's redeeming work is done alleluia!
Fought the fight the battle won alleluia!
Death in vain forbids Him rise alleluia!
Christ has opened paradise alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ has led alleluia!
Foll'wing our exalted Head alleluia!
Made like Him like Him we rise alleluia!
Ours the cross the grave the skies alleluia!

Welcome & Announcements

RENEW Receive the grace of God

Scripture Reading Ezekiel 36:33-36

“Thus says the Lord GOD: On the day that I cleanse you from all your iniquities, I will cause the cities to be inhabited, and the waste places shall be rebuilt. And the land that was desolate shall be tilled, instead of being the desolation that it was in the sight of all who passed by. And they will say, ‘This land that was desolate has become like the garden of Eden, and the waste and desolate and ruined cities are now fortified and inhabited.’ Then the nations that are left all around you shall know that I am the LORD; I have rebuilt the ruined places and replanted that which was desolate. I am the LORD; I have spoken, and I will do it.”

All men are like grass, their glory like flowers of the field. The grass withers and the flowers fall, **but the Word of the Lord stands forever.**

Confession of God's People

LEADER: O Risen Christ, we have dishonored the truth of your resurrection.
Victory is certain...

PEOPLE: ...yet we are anxious.

LEADER: Hope is secured...

PEOPLE: ...yet we are doubtful.

LEADER: Blessings are boundless...

PEOPLE: ...yet we are ungrateful.

LEADER: New life is offered...

PEOPLE: ...yet we resist it.

LEADER: Death is defeated...

PEOPLE: ...yet we fear it.

LEADER: Jesus is King...

PEOPLE: ...yet we fail him.

LEADER: Forgive our unfaithfulness, show us again the empty tomb, and transform our lives according to the power of the Spirit who raised Christ Jesus from the dead.

- Silent Prayers of Confession -

Confession of God's People

In the Confession of Sin we humbly agree with Scripture's claim that all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. This is the most honest moment of our week, as we confess our sin and shame together. We do this corporately through a unison litany or prayer and individually through a moment of silence for private confession.

Repentance of God's People

Our time of confession becomes a time of fresh commitment through corporate repentance. Together we boldly turn from all evil and offer our lives again to God. Only say these words if you are indeed willing to repent of your sins.

Assurance of God's Pardon

Confession and repentance is always met with the surety of God's grace. The minister proclaims to the penitent community words of pardon from Scripture, assuring our hearts of the grace that is already ours in Christ Jesus.

Confession of Faith

We confess together the convictional truths of orthodoxy by reciting the ancient creeds of our faith. We share these words with saints throughout the centuries as well as those throughout the world today. This also serves as a bold proclamation to the watching world of what we believe is true.

Offering

The offering is received, not merely as a way to pay the bills, but as an act of worship. In response to the God from whom all blessings flow, we give freely, joyfully, and sacrificially to His beloved bride, the Church.

Repentance of God's People

LEADER: Do you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord?

PEOPLE: **We do.**

LEADER: Do you believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead?

PEOPLE: **We do.**

Assurance of God's Pardon

 from Romans 10:9

LEADER: If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.

Hymn of Renewal *Joy To The Heart* (Music on Page 10)

John Bennet

RESPOND

 Embrace the call of God

Confession of Faith

 Heidelberg Catechism #57 and #58

LEADER: How does the resurrection comfort you?

PEOPLE: **Not only will my soul be taken immediately after this life to Christ its head, but also my very flesh will be raised by the power of Christ, reunited with my soul, and made like Christ's glorious body.**

LEADER: How does everlasting life comfort you?

PEOPLE: **Even as I already now experience in my heart the beginning of eternal joy, so after this life I will have perfect blessedness such as no eye has seen, no ear has heard, no heart has ever imagined: a blessedness in which to praise God forever.**

Doxology

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

Offertory Prayer

Offertory Hymn *Behold Our God* (Music on Page 11)

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SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Communion

The sacrament of the Lord's Supper is a holy ordinance, wherein Christ and his gospel are represented and applied to His people. Though the bread and wine are not literally the body and blood of Jesus, this meal is far more than a sentimental reminder. It is spiritual nourishment to our souls and a means of growth in His grace. Communion is the family meal of Christians, and all followers of Jesus who are in good standing with His Church are invited to partake.

PLEASE NOTE:

Communion elements were passed out as you entered the Sanctuary. If you did not receive elements, please raise your hand and they will be brought to you. A gluten-free option is available as well.

Words of Institution

MINISTER: Let us together proclaim the hope of the Church:

UNISON: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ shall come again!

MINISTER: I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when He was betrayed took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it, and said, "This is my body which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way, after supper, He took the cup saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

Holy Communion

Hymn of Response *In Christ Alone*

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In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light my strength my song
This Cornerstone this solid Ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love what depths of peace
When fears are stilled when strivings cease
My Comforter my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

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There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

*No power of hell no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand*

Benediction

MINISTER: Go love your God; **PEOPLE: Go love your neighbor.**



Giving Report: For more info, visit tcpca.org/give

February Giving:	\$221,971	Total FY Giving (Oct-Feb):	\$1,082,670
February Goal:	\$170,098	Total FY Expenses (Oct-Feb):	\$1,118,456
Difference:	+\$51,873	Difference:	-\$35,786

Benediction

The minister raises His hands and pronounces God's benediction over the congregation, sending them forth with assurance from on high. Stretch forth your hands and open wide your hearts to receive the abundant blessings that are yours in Christ Jesus!

Prayer Chain

If you would like to share prayer requests with our church prayer chain, we would love to pray for you. Please feel free to send an email to:

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Announcements

Would You Like to Become a Member at TCPC?

The membership process for Tates Creek Presbyterian Church begins by attending the Foundations Weekend. This class covers the foundations of our faith and church membership, and is offered periodically on a Friday evening (including dinner) and Saturday morning (including breakfast). Learn more at tcpca.org/foundations where you can sign up to be notified when the next Foundations Weekend has been scheduled.

Mom's Day Out Registration Is Open!

TCPC's MDO program has open spots for next year! There are three open spots for 12-23-month-olds, two spots left for 24-35-month-olds and seven spots left in the 3- & 4-year-old classroom (students at this age must be potty-trained). A day at MDO is filled with Bible stories, songs, crafts, outdoor play, and lots of interpersonal sanctification. Please call or email the director, Malisa Anderson, at 706-877-2114 or mdo@tcpca.org for more information or to set up a tour. The schedule, fees, and online registration are available at tcpca.org/mdo. We look forward to next year and showing your sweet babes the love of Christ!

Join the Welcome Team!

Each Sunday, you probably have noticed smiling faces welcoming you at the door, handing out bulletins, and helping you find your seat before each worship service. These men and women are part of our Welcome Team. We are looking for more men and women to help greet people at the door and seat people as they enter the sanctuary. If you want to help TCPC become the warmest place on earth on Sunday mornings, please email Brooke Blackwell at bblackwell@tcpca.org.

Trinity Job Openings

Trinity is looking for qualified, experienced applicants for the following positions for the 2021-22 school year: PreK Teacher; Kindergarten - 3rd Grade Teachers; Lower School PE Teacher; Music Teacher; Lower School - 6th Grade Teacher; Upper School - Algebra I and II; Statistics; Upper School Science - Earth Science, Physical Science, Physics; Instrumental Music Teacher; Theatre Arts Teacher; Director of Fine and Performing Arts; Substitute Teachers. Visit their website to learn more and to apply ("About" menu > "Employment").

Joy to the Heart

John Bennett, 1920-1991

Tilton

Tune and setting by K. Lee Scott



1. Look there! the Christ, our Broth-er, comes re - splen-dent from the gal - lows
2. Good Je - sus Christ in - side his pain looked down Gol - go - tha's ston - y
3. Good Je - sus Christ, our Broth-er, died in dark - est hurt up - on the
4. Look there! the Christ, our Broth-er, comes re - splen-dent from the gal - lows



tree and what he brings in his hurt hands is life on life for you and me.
slope and let the blood flow from his flesh to fill the springs of liv - ing hope.
tree to of - fer us the worlds of light that live in - side the Trin - i - ty.
tree and what he brings in his hurt hands is life on life for you and me.

Refrain



Joy! joy! joy to the heart all in this good day's dawn - ing!



Joy! joy! joy to the heart all in this good day's dawn - ing!

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Behold Our God

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Who has held the o - ceans in His hands? Who has num - bered
Who has giv - en coun - sel to the Lord? Who can ques - tion
Who has felt the nails up - on His hands, bear - ing all the



4 ev - 'ry grain of sand? Kings and na - tions trem - ble at His voice.
an - y of His words? Who can teach the One who knows all things?
guilt of sin - ful man? God e - ter - nal hum - bled to the grave,



7 All cre - a - tion ris - es to re - joice! Be - hold our
Who can fath - om all His won - drous deeds?
Je - sus, Sav - ior ris - en now to reign!



11 God seat - ed on His throne. Come let us a - dore Him. Be - hold our



15 King, no - thing can com - pare, come let us a - dore _____ Him!

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