



# *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.

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## *Preparing Our Hearts for Worship...*

“There are 59 ‘one anothers’ in the New Testament.

It’s hard to imagine that we were meant to live them all out  
in one hour, one day a week.

Life is more bearable when others bear it with us.”

- Ian Simkins

### **COVER ARTWORK**

*Pear Tree*

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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

August 22, 2021 at 9:00AM and 11:15AM

## REJOICE Declare the praises of God

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### Call to Worship from Revelation 15:3–4

LEADER: Great and amazing are Your deeds,  
O Lord God the Almighty!

**PEOPLE: Just and true are Your ways,  
O King of the nations!**

LEADER: Who will not fear, O Lord,  
and glorify Your name?

**PEOPLE: For You alone are holy.  
All nations will come  
and worship You,  
for Your righteous acts have been revealed.**

### Hymn of Rejoicing *Oh How Good It Is* (Sheet Music on Page 9)

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**Oh how good it is  
When the family of God  
Dwells together in spirit  
In faith and unity  
Where the bonds of peace  
Of acceptance and love  
Are the fruit of His presence  
Here among us**

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**REFRAIN:**

**So with one voice we'll sing to the Lord  
And with one heart we'll live out His word  
Till the whole earth sees  
The Redeemer has come  
For He dwells in the presence of His people**

Oh how good it is  
On this journey we share  
To rejoice with the happy  
And weep with those who mourn  
For the weak find strength  
The afflicted find grace  
When we offer the blessing  
Of belonging (**REFRAIN**)

Oh how good it is  
To embrace His command  
To prefer one another  
Forgive as He forgives  
When we live as one  
We all share in the love  
Of the Son with the Father  
And the Spirit (**REFRAIN**)

**Welcome & Announcements****Pastoral Prayer**

Pray for God's blessing on all things related to the situation in Afghanistan.

**UNISON: 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.**

## Scripture Reading Isaiah 42:1-8

Behold my servant, whom I uphold,  
my chosen, in whom my soul delights;  
I have put my Spirit upon Him;  
He will bring forth justice to the nations.  
He will not cry aloud or lift up His voice,  
or make it heard in the street;  
a bruised reed He will not break,  
and a faintly burning wick He will not quench;  
He will faithfully bring forth justice.  
He will not grow faint or be discouraged  
till He has established justice in the earth;  
and the coastlands wait for His law.

Thus says God, the LORD,  
who created the heavens and stretched them out,  
who spread out the earth and what comes from it,  
who gives breath to the people on it  
and spirit to those who walk in it:  
“I am the LORD; I have called you in righteousness;  
I will take you by the hand and keep you;  
I will give you as a covenant for the people,  
a light for the nations,  
to open the eyes that are blind,  
to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon,  
from the prison those who sit in darkness.  
I am the LORD; that is my name;  
my glory I give to no other,  
nor my praise to carved idols.

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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

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.

## Confession of God's People

**UNISON: Lord Jesus,  
Though You should guide us, we inform ourselves;  
Though You should rule us, we control ourselves;  
Though You should fulfill us, we console ourselves.  
We think Your truth too high, Your will too hard, Your strength too limited,  
Your path too difficult, and Your grace too weak. Forgive us Lord and hear  
our cry for mercy.**

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**Heal our confused minds with Your Word;  
our divided wills with Your law;  
our troubled souls with Your love;  
our anxious hearts with Your presence;  
and our sinful deeds with Your grace...**

- Silent Prayers of Confession -

## **Repentance of God's People**

LEADER: Do you renounce the vanity of your own authority?

**PEOPLE: We do.**

LEADER: Do you return the surety of Christ's authority?

**PEOPLE: We do.**

## **Assurance of God's Pardon** from Acts 13

LEADER: Let it be known to you therefore, brothers and sisters, that through Jesus forgiveness of sins is proclaimed to you

## **Hymn of Renewal** *He Will Hold Me Fast*

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**When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast  
When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast  
I could never keep my hold through life's fearful path  
For my love is often cold, He must hold me fast**

### **REFRAIN:**

**He will hold me fast  
He will hold me fast  
For my Savior loves me so  
He will hold me fast**

**Those He saves are His delight, Christ will hold me fast  
Precious in His holy sight, He will hold me fast  
He'll not let my soul be lost, His Promises shall last  
Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast (REFRAIN)**

**For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast  
Justice has been satisfied, He will hold me fast  
Raised with Him to endless life, He will hold me fast  
Till our faith is turned to sight when He comes at last (REFRAIN)**

## **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.

## Confession of Faith from Westminster Catechism

LEADER: Who is the Redeemer of God's elect?

**PEOPLE: The only Redeemer of God's elect is the Lord Jesus Christ, who, being the eternal Son of God, became man, and so was, and continues to be, God and man in two distinct natures, and one person, forever.**

LEADER: What offices does Christ execute as our Redeemer?

**PEOPLE: The offices of a prophet, of a priest, and of a king, both in His estate of humiliation and exaltation.**

LEADER: How does Christ execute the office of a prophet?

**PEOPLE: In revealing to us, by His Word and Spirit, the will of God for our salvation.**

LEADER: How does Christ execute the office of a priest?

**PEOPLE: In His once offering up of Himself a sacrifice to satisfy divine justice and reconcile us to God, and in making continual intercession for us.**

LEADER: How does Christ execute the office of a king?

**PEOPLE: In subduing us to Himself, in ruling and defending us, and in restraining and conquering all His and our enemies.**

## 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

### Hymn of Preparation *Quiet Hour* (Sheet Music on Page 10)

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In the quiet of this hour  
As I bow before You Lord  
May I hear You softly speaking  
Through the power of Your Word

May my thoughts be filled  
With no one else  
And my heart be open still  
As You speak to me this hour  
May I listen for Your will.

## Scripture Reading Matthew 28:18-20

**18**And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. **19**Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, **20**teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

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LEADER: The Word of the Lord.     **PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon** Rev. Robert Cunningham

**“For the Glory of Christ”**

## SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

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### 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 *Fairest Lord Jesus* (Music on Page 11)

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Verse 2: Ruth Gregornik | Erik Dewar

Music: Silesian Folk Song

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## Benediction

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

## Sermon

The preaching of God’s Word in the context of holy worship is the primary means of God’s voice to His people. Our trust is not in the ability of the preacher, but in the promise that God, by His Spirit working in and through His word, is speaking to us in exceptional ways. Therefore, we open our minds and hearts to the uniquely formative power of ordained preaching.

## 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.

## 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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# Oh How Good It Is

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1. Oh how good it is, when the fam - 'ly of God dwells to -  
2. Oh how good it is, on this jour - ney we share, to re -  
3. Oh how good it is to em - brace His com - mand to pre -



geth - er in Spi - rit, in faith and un - i - ty. Where the  
joyce with the hap - py, and to weep with those who mourn. For the  
fer one a - noth - er, to for - give as He for - gives. When we



bonds of peace, of ac - cept - ance and love, are the fruit of His  
weak find strength, the af - flict - ed find grace, when we of - fer the  
live as one, we all share in the love of the Son with the



pre - sence here a - mong us. So with one voice we'll  
bles - sing of be - long - ing.  
Fa - ther and the Spi - rit.



sing to the Lord, and with one heart we'll live out His



Word. 'Till the whole world sees The Re - deem - er has come, for He



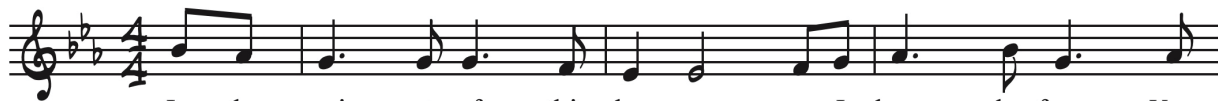
dwells in the pre - sence of His peo - ple.

# Quiet Hour

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In the qui - et of this ho - ur as I bow be-fore You,



Lord, May I hear You soft - ly speak - ing through the



pow-er of Your Word. May my thoughts be filled with



no one else, and my heart be o - pen still. As You



speak to me this ho - ur, may I lis-ten for Your will.

# Fairest Lord Jesus

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Unison until last stanza

1. Fair - est Lord Je - sus, Ru - ler of all na - ture,

Thou of God and Man the Son! Thee will I cher - ish,

Thee will I hon - or, Thou, my soul's glo - ry, joy, and crown.

2. Humble in spirit, emptied as a servant,  
Thou, Living Bread, from heav'n came down;  
Food for the hungry, Truth for the simple,  
to show Thy steadfast love abounds.

3. Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight,  
And all the twinkling, starry host.  
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer  
Than all the angels heav'n can boast.

4. Beautiful Savior! Lord of all nations!  
Son of God and Son of Man!  
Glory and honor, praise, adoration,  
now and forevermore be Thine.

# Announcements

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## Kona Ice & Kickball Today at 4:00 PM!

Join us today at 4:00 PM for an outdoor church-wide gathering! There will be Kona Ice for everyone to enjoy while we watch our summer Kickball League finish their season with a playoff tournament.

## Volunteer at Richmond Church Plant

The church plant in Richmond (which will be called Covenant Community Church) is launching their worship services this morning, and they are looking for volunteers over the next three months to help with various needs (setup, childcare, prayer, greeting, etc). Volunteers would be in Richmond from 8:45-11:45. If you are interested in helping one or two times during the next three months, please email Will Witherington at [wwitherington@tcpca.org](mailto:wwitherington@tcpca.org).

## Trinity Job Openings

Trinity Christian Academy currently has openings for several positions. If you are interested in applying to be a Lower School Classroom Aide, contact Vicki White ([vwhite@trinitylex.org](mailto:vwhite@trinitylex.org)) and Brooks Ward ([bward@trinitylex.org](mailto:bward@trinitylex.org)). If you are interested in applying to be the Upper School piano accompanist, please contact Nick LaCasse ([nlacasse@trinitylex.org](mailto:nlacasse@trinitylex.org)).

**Giving Report:** For more information, visit [tcpca.org/give](http://tcpca.org/give).

July Giving:	\$159,811	Total FY Giving (Oct-Jul):	\$1,912,652
July Goal:	\$185,478	Giving Goal (Oct-Jul):	\$2,100,701
<b>Difference:</b>	<b>-\$25,667</b>	<b>Difference:</b>	<b>-\$188,050</b>

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