

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...

"Earlier in this century someone claimed that we work at our play and play at our work. Today the confusion has deepened: we worship our work, work at our play, and play in our worship."

- Leland Ryken

COVER ARTWORK

Sheaves of Wheat in a Field, Vincent van Gogh, 1885

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

call.

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

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 convic-

tion is beautiful to our God.

Order of Worship

January 31, 2021 at 9:00AM and 11:00AM

REJOICE Declare the praises of God

Prelude

Call to Worship

LEADER: Let us worship God.

PEOPLE: "He is our refuge and our fortress, our God, in whom we trust."

LEADER: Let us confess with our mouths, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in our hearts that God raised Him from the dead.

PEOPLE: "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

LEADER: Let us call upon our true God, believing Him in our hearts, confessing Him with our mouths, worshiping Him in spirit and in truth.

Hymn of Rejoicing And Can It Be

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> And can it be that I should gain An interest 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? Amazing love! How can it be That Thou my God shouldst die for me!

Tis myst'ry all! Th'Im-mor-tal dies. Who can explore His strange design? In vain the first-born seraph tries To sound the depths of love divine.

Tis mercy all, let earth adore.

Let angel minds inquire no more. Amazing love! How can it be

That Thou my God shouldst die for me!

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He left His Father's throne above
So free so infinite His grace
Emptied Himself of all but love
And bled for Adam's helpless race
'Tis mercy all immense and free
For O my God it found out me
Amazing love! How can it be
That Thou my God shouldst die for me!

Long my imprisoned spirit lay

No condemnation now I dread

Fast bound in sin and nature's night
Thine eye diffused a quickening ray
I woke the dungeon flamed with light
My chains fell off my heart was free
I rose went forth and followed Thee
Amazing love! How can it be
That Thou my God shouldst die for me!

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
Amazing love! How can it be
That Thou my God shouldst die for me!
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That Thou my God shouldst die for me!

Welcome & Announcements

Pastoral Prayer

THIS WEEK'S PRAYER EMPHASIS:

God's grace for churches in our community navigating Covid-19.

The Lord's Prayer

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.

RENEW Receive the grace of God

Scripture Reading Romans 8:18-25

For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God. For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of him who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to corruption and obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together in the pains of childbirth until now. And

not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit,

Confession of God's People

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

In the Confession of Sin we humbly

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 will-

Assurance of God's Pardon

ing to repent of your sins.

Confession and repentance is always met with the surety of God's grace. The minister proclaims to the penitent community words of

ready ours in Christ Jesus.

pardon from Scripture, assuring our hearts of the grace that is al-

hope. For who hopes for what he sees? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

LEADER: The Word of the Lord. **Confession of God's People**

- Silent Prayers of Confession -

UNISON: Lord Jesus, we confess that we know in our minds that Your love

struggle to believe You are good and Your plans for us are good. Teach us to trust Your future providences and convict our hearts again this morning of our failure to wholly follow You. We are not God and we are unable to provide salvation. You alone are strong and You alone are good.

Repentance of God's People

LEADER: Do you turn from your sin of spiritual apathy?

PEOPLE: We do.

LEADER: Do you turn from your sin of failing to trust in the good, acceptable

and perfect plan of God?

PEOPLE: We do.

Assurance of God's Pardon from Romans 5:1

LEADER: Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies. For in this hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not

for us is real. We confess that we have heard Your truths proclaimed to us

many times and in various ways. And yet, O God, we confess that we still

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

Hymn of Renewal Christ Is Mine Forevermore (Music on Page 10)

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RESPOND Embrace the call of God

Confession of Faith The Nicene Creed

UNISON: We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,

of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the onlybegotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets; and we believe in one holy catholic† and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

† Worldwide communion of faith, past, present, and future.

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 Solo There Is A Hope

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There is a hope that burns within my heart That gives me strength for ev'ry passing day A glimpse of glory now revealed in meager part Yet drives all doubt away I stand in Christ with sins forgiv'n And Christ in me the hope of heav'n My highest calling and my deepest joy To make His will my home

Offering

Confession of Faith

We confess together the convic-

tional 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 procla-

mation to the watching world of

what we believe is true.

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.

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There is a hope that lifts my weary head A consolation strong against despair That when the world has plunged me In its deepest pit I find the Savior there Through present suff'rings future's fear He whispers courage in my ear For I am safe in everlasting arms And they will lead me home

There is a hope that stands the test of time
That lifts my eyes beyond the beck'ning grave
To see the matchless beauty of a day divine
When I behold His face
When suff'rings cease and sorrows die
And ev'ry longing satisfied
Then joy unspeakable will flood my soul
For I am truly home

Scripture Reading Isaiah 61

The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me to bring good news to the poor; he has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to those who are bound;
2to proclaim the year of the LORD'S favor, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn;

3to grant to those who mourn in Zion—
to give them a beautiful headdress instead of ashes,
the oil of gladness instead of mourning,
the garment of praise instead of a faint spirit;
that they may be called oaks of righteousness,
the planting of the LORD, that he may be glorified.

4 They shall build up the ancient ruins:

4They shall build up the ancient ruins; they shall raise up the former devastations; they shall repair the ruined cities, the devastations of many generations.

5Strangers shall stand and tend your flocks; foreigners shall be your plowmen and vinedressers;

6but you shall be called the priests of the LORD; they shall speak of you as the ministers of our God;

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they shall have everlasting joy. 8For I the LORD love justice; I hate robbery and wrong: I will faithfully give them their recompense, and I will make an everlasting covenant with them. Their offspring shall be known among the nations, and their descendants in the midst of the peoples: all who see them shall acknowledge them, that they are an offspring the LORD has blessed. 10 will greatly rejoice in the LORD; my soul shall exult in my God, for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation; he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself like a priest with a beautiful headdress, Sermon and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. The preaching of God's Word in 11 For as the earth brings forth its sprouts, the context of holy worship is the and as a garden causes what is sown in it to sprout up, primary means of God's voice to so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise His people. Our trust is not in the to sprout up before all the nations. ability of the preacher, but in the promise that God, by His Spirit working in and through His word, is All men are like grass, their glory like flowers of the field. The grass withers speaking to us in exceptional ways. and the flowers fall, but the Word of the Lord stands forever. Therefore, we open our minds and hearts to the uniquely formative **Sermon** Rev. Mark Randle. Associate Minister power of ordained preaching. "A Reminder of God's Loving Plan" Communion SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION The sacrament of the Lord's Supper is a holy ordinance, wherein Christ **PLEASE NOTE:** and his gospel are represented and Communion elements were passed out as you entered the Sanctuary. If you did not applied to His people. Though the receive elements, please raise your hand and they will be brought to you. A glutenbread and wine are not literally the free option is available as well. body and blood of Jesus, this meal is far more than a sentimental **Words of Institution** reminder. It is spiritual nourishment to our souls and a means of MINISTER: Let us together proclaim the hope of the Church:

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

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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.

you shall eat the wealth of the nations, and in their glory you shall boast.

7Instead of your shame there shall be a double portion; instead of dishonor they shall rejoice in their lot; therefore in their land they shall possess a double portion;

Holy Communion

Hymn of Response Holy Holy Holy

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Holy holy, Lord God Almighty

Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee Holy holy, merciful and mighty God in three persons, blessed Trinity

Holy holy, all the saints adore Thee

Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee Which wert and art and evermore shalt be

Holy holy holy, though the darkness hide Thee Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see Only Thou art holy, there is none beside Thee Perfect in power, in love and purity

Holy holy, Lord God Almighty All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea Holy holy, merciful and mighty God in three persons, blessed Trinity

Benediction MINISTER: Go love your God;

PEOPLE: Go love your neighbor.

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

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Benediction

in Christ Jesus!

email to:

Prayer Chain

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

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

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December Giving: December Goal: Difference:

\$354.557 \$446,000

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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.

Total FY Giving (Oct-Dec):

Difference:

\$722,496

Total FY Expenses (Oct-Dec): \$813,417 -\$90,920

Christ Is Mine Forevermore

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Announcements

Family Worship in the Fellowship Hall

The pandemic has been difficult on everyone, especially young families. We are still unable to open the nursery at this time, but we do want to offer an option that would be beneficial for children and parents alike. That is why we are hosting Family Worship in the Fellowship Hall, which started today during the 9:00 service. We want this to feel as much like being in the Sanctuary as possible, while at the same time giving children a little more freedom to worship alongside you. Plus, there will be a five-minute children's time after the service specifically to minister to your children. We hope to have as many families as possible while also maintaing safe COVID practices of social distancing and mask-wearing, so be sure to fill out the Family Worship RSVP form in advance.

Reopening In-Person Ministry Activities

The session prayerfully discussed the reopening of ministries impacted by the pandemic last night. It was decided that each ministry may reopen on a case-by-case basis while operating under CDC guidelines. If you have a question about how your small group, Parish Group, or ministry can safely and successfully operate during these times, please reach out to Will Witherington at wwitherington@tcpca.org.

Foundations Weekend for Membership

Registration is now open for our next membership class on March 5-6. The sessions will be Friday night and Saturday morning, and breakfast and dinner are provided. We invite anyone who is interested in pursuing membership and learning more about our church history and theology. To sign up, go to tcpca.org/foundations, or email Nate Jones with any questions at njones@tcpca.org

Your 2020 Giving Statement for Tax-Filing Purposes

All giving statements are now accessible through TouchPoint, our online giving platform. You can also see your giving history to ensure that all of your 2020 gifts were recorded accurately. Visit tcpca.tpsdb.com to log in to your profile. Select the "Giving" tab on your profile, and then click "Statements." Your 2020 Statement should be listed on that screen.

Substitute Teachers for MDO

The Mom's Day Out program is looking for substitute teachers who can fill in when our teachers cannot attend. Send an email to mdo@tcpca.org if you would like more information.

Trinity Job Openings

Trinity is looking for substitute teachers, a classroom aide (7:30AM - 3:30PM) and an after-school aide (3:00 - 5:30PM). Send an email to Vicki White (vwhite@trinitylex.org) if you would like more information.