



# *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...*

“The heart must be applied to understanding. It won't happen by accident. This wisdom, discernment, and understanding must be sought out as if it were silver and hidden treasures.”

- David Guzik

### **COVER ARTWORK**

*The Straight Path*, Nicholas Roerich, 1912  
Nizhny Novgorod State Museum of Fine Arts

## 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

February 21, 2021 at 9:00AM and 11:00AM

## REJOICE Declare the praises of God

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### Prelude

### Call to Worship

LEADER: In your wisdom, O God, You call us here to worship You.

**PEOPLE: We gather, alive to the Word of God.**

LEADER: You call us to be fully alive with Your life abundant, ready to listen and respond with heart, soul, strength, and mind.

**PEOPLE: We listen, alive to the Word of God.**

LEADER: You call us to be always watchful for Your Word of wisdom, sometimes startling and unexpected, sometimes still and quiet, but always dwelling among us.

**PEOPLE: We watch and wait for the Word of God.**

### Hymn of Rejoicing *Come Behold The Wondrous Mystery* (Page 10)

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### Welcome & Announcements

### Pastoral Prayer

**THIS WEEK’S PRAYER EMPHASIS:**

Pray for the Marlowe family as Sandra fights against ALS

### 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.**

### Musical Reflection *Christ the Sure and Steady Anchor*

Matthew Boswell | Matthew Papa © 2015 Messenger Hymns

Christ the sure and steady anchor in the fury of the storm  
When the winds of doubt blow through me and my sails have all been torn  
In the suffering in the sorrow when my sinking hopes are few  
I will hold fast to the anchor it shall never be removed

## Scripture Reading 1 Corinthians 2:14-16

**14**The natural person does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are folly to him, and he is not able to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. **15**The spiritual person judges all things, but is himself to be judged by no one. **16**“For who has understood the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?” But we have the mind of Christ.

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

## Confession of God’s People

**UNISON: Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against Your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us. O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent; according to Your promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. Grant that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life; to the glory of His holy name. Amen.**

- Silent Prayers of Confession -

## 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 loving created things more than the Creator?**

PEOPLE: We do.

## Assurance of God’s Pardon from 1 John 1:9

LEADER: If we confess our sins, He will be faithful and just, and will forgive us our sins, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

## 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.

## Hymn of Renewal *Be Thou My Vision*

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Be Thou my vision O Lord of my heart  
Naught be all else to me save that Thou art  
Thou my best thought by day or by night  
Waking or sleeping Thy presence my light

Be Thou my wisdom and Thou my true word  
I ever with Thee and Thou with me Lord  
Thou my great Father and I Thy true son  
Thou in me dwelling and I with Thee one

Riches I heed not nor man's empty praise  
Thou mine inheritance now and always  
Thou and Thou only first in my heart  
High King of heaven my treasure Thou art

High King of heaven my victory won  
May I reach heaven's joys O bright heaven's Sun  
Heart of my own heart whatever befall  
Still be my vision o Ruler of all  
Still be my vision o Ruler of all

## RESPOND Embrace the call of God

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### 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.

### Confession of Faith from Westminster Catechism

LEADER: What is the chief end of man?

**PEOPLE: The chief end of man is to glorify God and to enjoy Him forever.**

LEADER: What is God?

**PEOPLE: God is a spirit, infinite, eternal, and unchangeable, in His being, wisdom, power, holiness, justice, goodness, and truth.**

LEADER: Are there more Gods than one?

**PEOPLE: There is but only one, the living and true God.**

LEADER: How many persons are there in the Godhead?

**PEOPLE: There are three persons in the Godhead; the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost; and these three are one God, the same in substance, equal in power and glory.**

## 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 *The Perfect Wisdom Of Our God*

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The perfect wisdom of our God  
Revealed in all the universe  
All things created by His hand  
And held together at His command  
He knows the myst'ries of the seas  
The secrets of the stars are His  
He guides the planets on their way  
And turns the earth through another day

The matchless wisdom of His ways  
That mark the path of righteousness  
His word a lamp unto my feet  
His Spirit teaching and guiding me  
And O the mystery of the cross  
That God should suffer for the lost  
So that the fool might shame the wise  
And all the glory might go to Christ

O grant me wisdom from above  
To pray for peace and cling to love  
And teach me humbly to receive  
The sun and rain of Your sovereignty  
Each strand of sorrow has a place  
Within this tapestry of grace  
So through the trials I choose to say  
Your perfect will in Your perfect way

## Scripture Reading Proverbs 2

- 1 My son, if you receive my words  
and treasure up my commandments with you,
- 2 making your ear attentive to wisdom  
and inclining your heart to understanding;
- 3 yes, if you call out for insight  
and raise your voice for understanding,

## 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.

**4**if you seek it like silver  
 and search for it as for hidden treasures,  
**5**then you will understand the fear of the LORD  
 and find the knowledge of God.  
**6**For the LORD gives wisdom;  
 from His mouth come knowledge and understanding;  
**7**He stores up sound wisdom for the upright;  
 He is a shield to those who walk in integrity,  
**8**guarding the paths of justice  
 and watching over the way of his saints.  
**9**Then you will understand righteousness and justice  
 and equity, every good path;  
**10**for wisdom will come into your heart,  
 and knowledge will be pleasant to your soul;  
**11**discretion will watch over you,  
 understanding will guard you,  
**12**delivering you from the way of evil,  
 from men of perverted speech,  
**13**who forsake the paths of uprightness  
 to walk in the ways of darkness,  
**14**who rejoice in doing evil  
 and delight in the perverseness of evil,  
**15**men whose paths are crooked,  
 and who are devious in their ways.  
**16**So you will be delivered from the forbidden woman,  
 from the adulteress with her smooth words,  
**17**who forsakes the companion of her youth  
 and forgets the covenant of her God;  
**18**for her house sinks down to death,  
 and her paths to the departed;  
**19**none who go to her come back,  
 nor do they regain the paths of life.  
**20**So you will walk in the way of the good  
 and keep to the paths of the righteous.  
**21**For the upright will inhabit the land,  
 and those with integrity will remain in it,  
**22**but the wicked will be cut off from the land,  
 and the treacherous will be rooted out of it.

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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.**

**Sermon** Rev. Mark Randle, Associate Minister

**“Living with the Mind of Christ”**

## 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.



# 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 *May The Mind of Christ My Savior*

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May the mind of Christ, my Savior,  
Live in me from day to day,  
By His love and pow'r controlling  
All I do and say.

May the Word of God dwell richly  
In my heart from hour to hour,  
So that all may see I triumph  
Only through His pow'r.

May the peace of God my Father  
Rule my life in ev'rything,  
That I may be calm to comfort  
Sick and sorrowing.

May the love of Jesus fill me  
As the waters fill the sea;  
Him exalting, self abasing:  
This is victory.

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## 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.



May I run the race before me,  
Strong and brave to face the foe,  
Looking only unto Jesus  
As I onward go.

May His beauty rest upon me  
As I seek the lost to win,  
And may they forget the channel,  
Seeing only Him.

### **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!

### **Benediction**

MINISTER: Go love your God;

**PEOPLE: Go love your neighbor.**



### **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:

Kathryn Lyon  
**KRL40502@aol.com**

Janet Whitley  
**janetjwhitley@gmail.com**

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

January Giving:	\$402,437	Total FY Giving (Oct-Jan):	\$1,122,984
January Goal:	\$134,940	Total FY Expenses (Oct-Jan):	\$948,357
<b>Difference:</b>	<b>+\$267,497</b>	<b>Difference:</b>	<b>+\$174,627</b>

# Come Behold The Wondrous Mystery

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1. Come be - hold the won-drous mys - t'ry: in the dawn - ing of the King. He, the  
2. Come be - hold the won-drous mys - t'ry: He the per - fect Son of Man. In His  
3. Come be - hold the won-drous mys - t'ry: Christ the Lord up - on the tree; In the  
4. Come be - hold the won-drous mys - t'ry: Slain by death, the God of life; But no



theme of heav-en's praise - es, robed in frail hu - man - i - ty. In our  
liv - ing, in His suf - f'ring, nev - er trace nor stain of sin. See the  
stead of ru - ined sin - ners hangs the Lamb in vic - to - ry. See the  
grave could e'er re - strain Him, Praise the Lord! He is a - live! What a



long - ing, in our dark - ness, now the light of life has  
true and bet - ter Ad - am come to save the hell - bound  
price of our re - demp - tion; see the Fa - ther's plan un -  
fore - taste of de - liv - 'rance; how un - wav - er - ing our



come; Look to Christ, who con - de - scend - ed, took on flesh to ran - som us.  
man, Christ, the great and sure ful - fill - ment of the law, in Him we stand.  
fold, bring - ing man - y sons to glo - ry, grace un - meas - ured, love un - told!  
hope: Christ in pow - er, res - ur - rect - ed, as we will be when He comes!

# Announcements

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## 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! We want this to feel as much like being in the Sanctuary as possible, while 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. Be sure to fill out the Family Worship RSVP form in advance!

## 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 (dinner and breakfast are both provided at no cost). 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](http://tcpca.org/foundations), or email Nate Jones with any questions at [njones@tcpca.org](mailto: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](http://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.

## Preschool Teacher Needed for MDO

The TCPC Mother's Day Out Program is looking for a full-time preschool teacher! The hours are 8:30-1:30 on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The teacher would work with a very sweet, small group of 3 and 4 year olds. Plus, if a candidate has a child 3- or 4-year-old, he or she is welcome to attend the program for free. If you would like to apply, please email Malisa Anderson at [mdo@tcpca.org](mailto:mdo@tcpca.org).

## Company of Men

Company of Men will continue this week on Thursdays at 7:00 am. We will be meeting at TCPC in the lower level. Company of Men is a wonderful way for men to enjoy fellowship, study the Bible and pray for one another (we also discuss various other topics!). If you have any questions, please email Mark Randle at [mrandle@tcpca.org](mailto:mrandle@tcpca.org).

## Trinity Open House

Trinity will be hosting an open house on February 25th at 7:00 PM for anyone interested in enrolling their children at the school. RSVP today on the Open House Facebook Event.

## Trinity Job Openings

Trinity is looking for substitute teachers for all grades.. Send an email to Vicki White ([vwhite@trinitylex.org](mailto:vwhite@trinitylex.org)) if you would like more information.

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