



# *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 Lord discovered to me a sense of my unbelief that, though late, I should remember my transgressions and that I should be converted with my whole heart to the Lord my God.”

- Patrick of Ireland

### **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

March 14, 2021 at 9:00AM and 11:00AM

## REJOICE Declare the praises of God

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### Prelude

### Call to Worship

LEADER: This is the day that You have made, Lord.

**PEOPLE: Help us to rejoice in it and be glad!**

LEADER: Remind us of the privileges we enjoy as Your people:

**PEOPLE: to come to You in these moments, to confess our sins, to receive forgiveness and give it, to pray and sing and listen, to renew our fainting spirit, to rest in all Your promises.**

LEADER: Open our eyes to see You, Lord.

**PEOPLE: Open our ears to hear Your Word.**

LEADER: Visit us through Your Holy Spirit,

**PEOPLE: and help us to celebrate our faith. Amen.**

### Hymn of Rejoicing *Christ Beside Me* (Music on Page 10)

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### Welcome & Announcements

### Pastoral Prayer

**THIS WEEK’S PRAYER EMPHASIS:**

Pray for our missions partners in Belarus.

### 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.**

## Scripture Reading

 Isaiah 40:28-31

Have you not known? Have you not heard?  
The LORD is the everlasting God,  
the Creator of the ends of the earth.  
He does not faint or grow weary;  
his understanding is unsearchable.  
He gives power to the faint,  
and to him who has no might he increases strength.  
Even youths shall faint and be weary,  
and young men shall fall exhausted;  
but they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength;  
they shall mount up with wings like eagles;  
they shall run and not be weary;  
they shall walk and not faint.

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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

**UNISON: O Lord, we come before you to confess our pride. We are tempted to trust in ourselves, but this is an empty trust. Our self-righteousness is worthless merit, our self-sufficiency is worthless power, and our self-exaltation is worthless glory. We are exhausted by the weakness of our own strength and beg you to have mercy upon our helpless estate. As we bring to you our individual failures, we trust that your grace is greater than all our sins...**

- Silent Prayers of Confession -

## Repentance of God's People

LEADER: Has your strength failed you?

**PEOPLE: Always.**

LEADER: Has your Savior failed you?

**PEOPLE: Never.**

LEADER: Do you return to Christ as your sure and steady anchor?

**PEOPLE: We do.**

## Assurance of God's Pardon

 from Exodus 14

LEADER: The Lord will fight for you, you need only to be still.

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

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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

Christ the sure and steady anchor  
While the tempest rages on  
When temptation claims the battle  
And it seems the night has won  
Deeper still then goes the anchor  
Though I justly stand accused  
I will hold fast to the anchor  
It shall never be removed

Christ the sure and steady anchor  
Through the floods of unbelief  
Hopeless somehow O my soul now  
Lift your eyes to Calvary  
This my ballast of assurance  
See His love forever proved  
All my hope is in the anchor  
It shall never be removed

Christ the sure and steady anchor  
As we face the wave of death  
When these trials give way to glory  
As we draw our final breath  
We will cross that great horizon  
Clouds behind and life secured  
And the calm will be the better  
For the storms that we endured

Christ the shore of our salvation  
Ever faithful ever true  
We will hold fast to the anchor  
It shall never be removed

## Confession of Faith Heidelberg Catechism Question 1

LEADER: What is your only comfort in life and in death?

**UNISON: That I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with His precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to Him, Christ, by His Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for Him.**

## 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 *The Servant King* (Music on Page 11)

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## Scripture Reading Matthew 26:47-56

**47**While he was still speaking, Judas came, one of the twelve, and with him a great crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests and the elders of the people. **48**Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, "The one I will kiss is the man; seize him." **49**And he came up to Jesus at once and said, "Greetings, Rabbi!" And he kissed him. **50**Jesus said to him, "Friend, do what you came to do." Then they came up and laid hands on Jesus and seized him. **51**And behold, one of those who were with Jesus stretched out his hand and drew his sword and struck the servant of the high priest and cut off his ear. **52**Then Jesus said to him, "Put your sword back into its place. For all who take the sword will perish by the sword. **53**Do you think that I cannot appeal to my Father, and he will at once send me more than twelve legions of angels? **54**But how then should the Scriptures be fulfilled, that it must be so?" **55**At that hour Jesus said to the crowds, "Have you come out as against a robber, with swords and clubs to capture me? Day after day I sat in the temple teaching, and you did not seize me. **56**But all this has taken place that the Scriptures of the prophets might be fulfilled." Then all the disciples left him and fled.

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

## 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.

## 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.

## Sermon Rev. Robert Cunningham, Senior Minister

### “Jesus Arrested”

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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.

## 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.

### Profession of Faith and Baptism

9:00 AM - Katelyn, Cole and Nathan Iverson

### Profession of Faith

11:00 AM - Charlie Cunningham

### Holy Communion

# Hymn of Response *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**)

## **Benediction**

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



## **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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Janet Whitley  
[janetjwhitley@gmail.com](mailto:janetjwhitley@gmail.com)



# Announcements

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## Holy Week Schedule

All services will be in-person in the Sanctuary (RSVP forms coming soon) and also live-streamed on our website.

- March 28 - Palm Sunday Services (9:00 and 11:00 AM)
- April 1 - Maundy Thursday Service (7:00 PM)
- April 2 - Good Friday Service (12:00 PM)
- April 4 - Easter Sunday Services (9:00 AM, 11:00 AM, and 1:00 PM)

## Nursery Reopening Survey

In order to prepare for reopening our nursery during worship, we would like to survey our congregation regarding who would feel comfortable dropping off their child(ren) and who would feel comfortable volunteering in the nursery. Please check your email for links to these surveys, as well as the COVID Nursery Guidelines we are following for reopening. If you did not receive this email, please send an email to [contact@tcpca.org](mailto:contact@tcpca.org) to be added to the email list.

## 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; Substitute Teachers. Visit their website to learn more and to apply (“About” menu > “Employment”).

## Giving Report: For more info, visit [tcpca.org/give](http://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
<b>Difference:</b>	<b>+\$51,873</b>	<b>Difference:</b>	<b>-\$35,786</b>

# Christ Beside Me

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Christ\_\_ be - side me, Christ\_\_ be - fore me, Christ\_\_ be -  
Christ on my right hand Christ on my left hand, Christ all a -  
Christ be in all hearts think - ing a - bout me, Christ be on



hind me, King of my heart. Christ\_\_ with - in me, Christ\_\_ be -  
round me, shield in the strife. Christ in my sleep - ing, Christ in my  
all tongues tell - ing of me. Christ be the vis - ion in eyes that



low me, Christ\_\_ a - bove me, ne - ver to part.  
sitt - ing, Christ in my ri - sing, light of my heart.  
see me, In ears that hear me Christ ev - er be.

# The Servant King

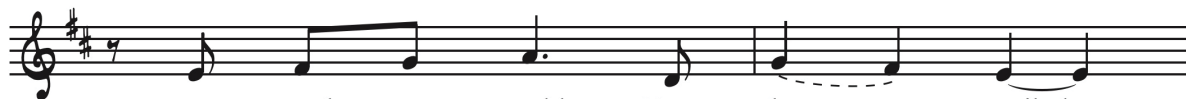
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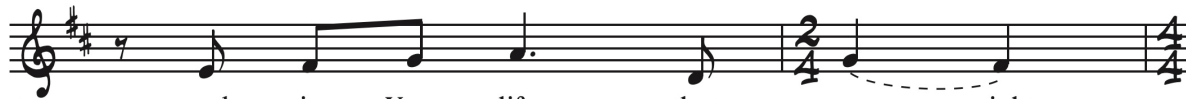
From heav'n You came, help - less babe,  
There in the gar - den of tears  
Come see His hands and His feet,  
So let us learn how to serve



3 en - tered our world, Your glo - ry veiled,  
my hea - vy load, He chose to bear;—  
the scars that speak of sac - ri - fice,—  
and in our lives en - throne— Him,—



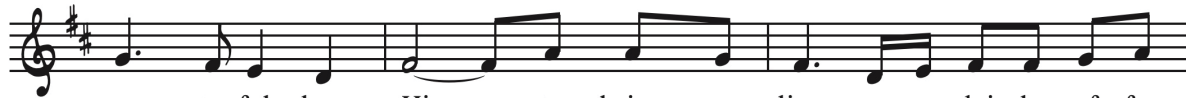
5 not to be served - but to serve,  
His heart with sor - row was torn,  
hands that flung stars in - to space  
each o - ther's needs to pre - fer,



7 and give Your life that we might  
'Yet not my will but yours,' He  
to cru - el nails sur - rend -  
for it is Christ we're serv -



9 live, said, ered.  
ing. This is our God,— the Ser - vant King, He calls us



12 now to fol - low Him,— to bring our lives as a dai - ly of - fer -



15 ing — of wor - ship to — the Ser - vant King.

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