



# *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...*

On the cross love is shown  
Through Christ, only Christ  
Debt is paid, sin atoned  
Through Christ, only Christ  
Pilate mocked, "What is truth?"  
As the nails pierced Him through  
See the veil torn in two  
Through Christ, only Christ

- Erik Dewar, "Only Christ"

### **COVER ARTWORK**

*What Is Truth. Christ And Pilate*, Nikolai Ge, 1890

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

## REJOICE Declare the praises of God

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### Prelude

### Call to Worship

**LEADER:** The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah.

**PEOPLE: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.**

### Hymn of Rejoicing *How Great Thou Art*

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O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder  
Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made  
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder  
Thy pow’r thru’out the universe displayed

#### REFRAIN:

**Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee  
How great Thou art, how great Thou art  
Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee  
How great Thou art, how great Thou art**

When through the woods and forest glades I wander  
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees  
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur  
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze (**REFRAIN**)

And when I think that God His Son not sparing  
Sent Him to die I scarce can take it in  
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing  
He bled and died to take away my sin (**REFRAIN**)

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation  
And take me home what joy shall fill my heart  
Then I shall bow in humble adoration  
And there proclaim, “My God how great Thou art!” (**REFRAIN**)

## Welcome & Announcements

## Pastoral Prayer

### THIS WEEK'S PRAYER EMPHASIS:

Prayer for wisdom for TCPC leadership as Elders & Deacons meet this week.

## 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.**

## Baptism

9:00 - Mabel Davis Jackson, daughter of Nicholas & Kristen

## Declaration to Our Covenant Children from the Church of Scotland

**UNISON: For you Jesus Christ came into the world. For you He lived and showed God's love. For you He suffered the darkness of Calvary. For you He triumphed over death and rose to new life. For you He reigns at God's right hand. All this He did for you, Mabel, though you do not know it yet.**

## RENEW Receive the grace of God

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### Scripture Reading Isaiah 53:4-7

Surely he has borne our griefs  
and carried our sorrows;  
yet we esteemed him stricken,  
smitten by God, and afflicted.  
But he was pierced for our transgressions;  
he was crushed for our iniquities;  
upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace,  
and with his wounds we are healed.  
All we like sheep have gone astray;  
we have turned—every one—to his own way;  
and the LORD has laid on him  
the iniquity of us all.  
He was oppressed, and he was afflicted,  
yet he opened not his mouth;  
like a lamb that is led to the slaughter,  
and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent,  
so he opened not his mouth.

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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.

## 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 God's People (from *Valley of Vision*)

**UNISON: God of all Grace, I have no robe of righteousness to bring to cover my sins, and no skill to weave my own. But you have clothed me with the Savior's robe, and decked me with the jewels of His righteousness. Every morning let me wear it, every evening return in it, go out to the day's work in it, be wound in death in it, stand before the great throne of judgment in it, and enter glory in it shining as the sun. Grant me to never lose sight of the exceeding wickedness of sin, the exceeding righteousness of salvation, the exceeding glory of Christ, the exceeding beauty of holiness, and the exceeding wonder of grace.**

- Silent Prayers of Confession -

## Repentance of God's People

LEADER: Do you renounce your sinful thoughts, words, and deeds that offend God, harm others, and ruin creation?

**PEOPLE: We do.**

LEADER: Do you renounce the ways and idols of this fallen world that oppose God's Kingdom and glory

**PEOPLE: We do.**

LEADER: Do you renounce Satan and all spiritual force of darkness that rebel against the one true God?

**PEOPLE: We do.**

## Assurance of God's Pardon from 2 Corinthians 5

LEADER: God made him who knew no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

## Hymn of Renewal *When I Survey The Wondrous Cross*

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When I survey the wondrous cross  
On which the Prince of Glory died,  
My richest gain I count but loss,  
And pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,  
Save in the death of Christ, my God.  
All the vain things that charm me most,  
I sacrifice them to His blood.

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See from His head, His hands, His feet,  
Sorrow and love flow mingled down!  
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,  
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine,  
That were a present far too small.  
Love so amazing, so divine,  
Demands my soul, my life, my all.

## **RESPOND** Embrace the call of God

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### **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** Handbell Choir

### **Scripture Reading** Mark 14:53-65

**53**And they led Jesus to the high priest. And all the chief priests and the elders and the scribes came together. **54**And Peter had followed him at a distance, right into the courtyard of the high priest. And he was sitting with the guards and warming himself at the fire. **55**Now the chief priests and the whole council were seeking testimony against Jesus to put him to

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### **Confession of Faith**

We confess together the convictational 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.

death, but they found none. **56**For many bore false witness against him, but their testimony did not agree. **57**And some stood up and bore false witness against him, saying, **58**“We heard him say, I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and in three days I will build another, not made with hands.” **59**Yet even about this their testimony did not agree. **60**And the high priest stood up in the midst and asked Jesus, “Have you no answer to make? What is it that these men testify against you?” **61**But he remained silent and made no answer. Again the high priest asked him, “Are you the Christ, the Son of the Blessed?” **62**And Jesus said, “I am, and you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of Power, and coming with the clouds of heaven.” **63**And the high priest tore his garments and said, “What further witnesses do we need? **64**You have heard his blasphemy. What is your decision?” And they all condemned him as deserving death. **65**And some began to spit on him and to cover his face and to strike him, saying to him, “Prophecy!” And the guards received him with blows.

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

### 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.

**Sermon** Rev. Robert Cunningham, Senior Minister  
“Jesus Arraigned”

## 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 *The Power Of The Cross* (Sheet Music on Page 10)

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Oh to see the dawn of the darkest day  
Christ on the road to Calvary  
Tried by sinful men torn and beaten then  
Nailed to a cross of wood

## **REFRAIN:**

**This the pow'r of the cross  
Christ became sin for us  
Took the blame bore the wrath  
We stand forgiven at the cross**

Oh to see the pain written on Your face  
Bearing the awesome weight of sin  
Ev'ry bitter thought ev'ry evil deed  
Crowning Your bloodstained brow (**REFRAIN**)

Now the daylight flees now the ground beneath  
Quakes as its Maker bows His head  
Curtain torn in two dead are raised to life  
Finished the vict'ry cry (**REFRAIN**)

Oh to see my name written in the wounds  
For through Your suff'ring I am free  
Death is crushed to death life is mine to live  
Won through Your selfless love

***This the pow'r of the cross  
Son of God slain for us  
What a love what a cost  
We stand forgiven at the cross***

***This the pow'r of the cross  
Son of God slain for us  
What a love what a cost  
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## **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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# 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)

## Maundy Thursday Missions Offering

Lent is the 40-day season leading up to Easter when believers have traditionally sacrificed something in their personal lives in order to honor the greatest sacrifice ever made by Jesus on the cross. This year, we are asking you to consider giving up the purchase of an experience or a material possession in order to give the funds from this sacrifice to the Maundy Thursday Missions Offering.

All contributions to this offering go to special requests that the Missions Committee receives from our missionaries and ministries, in order to help them above and beyond the missions budget. For example, the Mission Committee could distribute funds from this offering to college students going on summer missions, middle school kids going to Young Life Camp, Food for the Hungry staff in Nicaragua, or to our partner churches across the world.

There are two ways to give to the Maundy Thursday Missions Offering:

- Online at [tcpca.org/give](http://tcpca.org/give), any time between today and Maundy Thursday.
- In-person at the Maundy Thursday service on April 1.

Thank you for considering this special way to give to missions at TCPC.

## 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](mailto: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; 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>

# The Power of the Cross

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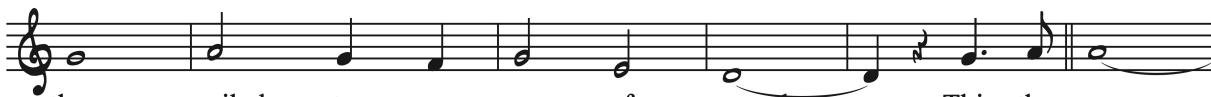
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1.O to see the dawn of the dark - est day Christ on the  
2.O to see the pain, writ - ten on Your face, Bear - ing the  
3.Now the day - light flees, now the ground be - neath quakes as its  
4.O to see my name writ - ten in the wounds, for through Your



road to Cal - va - ry. Tried by sin - ful men, torn and beat - en  
awe - some weight of sin. Ev' - ry bit - ter thought, ev' - ry ev - il  
Mas - ter bows his head. Cur - tain torn in two, dead are raised to  
suf - f'ring I am free. Death is crushed to death; life is mine to



then nailed to a cross of wood. This the power —  
deed, crown - ing your blood-stained brow.  
life; "Fin - ished!" the vic - t'ry cry.  
live, won through Your self - less love — This the power —



— of the cross — Christ be - came — sin for us — Took the

— of the cross. — Son of God — slain for us. — What a



blame, — bore the wrath, we stand for - giv - en at the cross.  
love, — what a cost! We stand for - giv - en at the cross.



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