



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

Sheep Grazing along Lough Eske Drive

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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 13, 2022 at 9:00AM and 11:15AM

REJOICE Declare the praises of God

Call to Worship from Psalm 100

LEADER: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth! Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into His presence with singing!

PEOPLE: Know that the LORD, He is God! It is he who made us and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

LEADER: Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him, bless his name!

PEOPLE: For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

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

Text: James Quinn

Adapted from St. Patrick’s Breastplate, 8th Century

Tune: Bunessan (Morning Has Broken)

**Christ beside me Christ before me
Christ behind me King of my heart
Christ within me Christ below me
Christ above me never to part**

**Christ on my right hand Christ on my left hand
Christ all around me shield in the strife
Christ in my sleeping Christ in my sitting
Christ in my rising light of my life**

**Christ be in all hearts thinking about me
Christ be on all tongues telling of me
Christ be the vision in eyes that see me
In ears that hear me Christ ever be**

Welcome & Announcements

Membership Vows

11:15 - Tim & Anne Marie Bickel and John & Carolyn Rogers

Choir Anthem *Come Thou Fount*

Arr. Monty Budahl
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Come Thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace. Streams of mercy never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. I am bound for the kingdom, will you go to glory with me? Hallelujah! Praise the Lord! Oh to grace how great a debtor, daily I'm constrained to be! Let Thy goodness like a fetter, bind my wand'ring heart to Thee. I am bound for the kingdom, will you go to glory with me? Hallelujah! Praise the Lord! Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the Lord I love; Here's my heart, O take and seal it; seal it for Thy courts above. I am bound for the kingdom, will you go to glory with me? Hallelujah! Praise the Lord! Man may trouble and distress me, 'twill but drive me to Thy breast. Life with trials hard may press me, Heav'n will bring me sweeter rest. I am bound for the kingdom, will you go to glory with me? Hallelujah! Praise the Lord! Amen!

RENEW Receive the grace of God

Scripture Reading John 10:7-16

So Jesus again said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly. I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd."

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

Confession of God's People

UNISON: Faithful Shepherd, our sins are too heavy to bear, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Our wounds are too severe to mend, too intimate to escape, and too painful to ignore. We have sinned, and we have been sinned against. God have mercy upon us, and restore what sin has laid waste. Our only hope is in You.

4 - *Silent Prayers of Confession* -

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.

Repentance of God's People

LEADER: Are you weary from your sinful wanderings?

PEOPLE: **We are.**

LEADER: Do you return again to the Shepherd of your souls?

PEOPLE: **We do.**

Assurance of God's Pardon from Isaiah 53

LEADER: All we like sheep have gone astray; each of us has turned to his own way; and the Lord has laid on Him the iniquity of us all.

Hymn of Renewal *Savior Like A Shepherd Lead Us*

Dorothy Ann Thrupp | William Batchelder Bradbury

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Savior like a shepherd lead us
Much we need Thy tender care
In Thy pleasant pastures feed us
For our use Thy folds prepare
Blessed Jesus blessed Jesus
Thou hast bought us Thine we are
Blessed Jesus blessed Jesus
Thou hast bought us Thine we are

We are Thine do Thou befriend us
Be the Guardian of our way
Keep Thy flock from sin defend us
Seek us when we go astray
Blessed Jesus blessed Jesus
Hear O hear us when we pray
Blessed Jesus blessed Jesus
Hear O hear us when we pray

Early let us seek Thy favor
Early let us do Thy will
Blessed Lord and only Savior
With Thy love our beings fill
Blessed Jesus blessed Jesus
Thou hast loved us love us still
Blessed Jesus blessed Jesus
Thou hast loved us love us still

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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 Lord's My Shepherd* (Sheet Music on Page 11)

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The Lord's my Shepherd I'll not want
He makes me lie in pastures green
He leads me by the still still waters
His goodness restores my soul

**And I will trust in You alone
And I will trust in You alone
For Your endless mercy follows me
Your goodness will lead me home**

He guides my ways in righteousness
And He anoints my head with oil
And my cup it overflows with joy
I feast on His pure delights

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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.

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.

REFRAIN:

And I will trust in You alone

And I will trust in You alone

For Your endless mercy follows me

Your goodness will lead me home

And though I walk the darkest path

I will not fear the evil one

For You are with me

And Your rod and staff

Are the comfort I need to know (**REFRAIN**)

GOSPEL STORYTIME

At this time, children ages 4 - Kindergarten may be dismissed to Room 103 for prayer, singing, and a lesson from the Gospel Story Bible. They will return to the Sanctuary at the end of the sermon to be with their families during Communion.

Scripture Reading Psalm 23

1The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

2He makes me lie down in green pastures.

He leads me beside still waters.

3He restores my soul.

He leads me in paths of righteousness

for His name's sake.

4Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I will fear no evil,

for You are with me;

Your rod and Your staff,

they comfort me.

5You prepare a table before me

in the presence of my enemies;

You anoint my head with oil;

my cup overflows.

6Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me

all the days of my life,

and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD

forever.

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. Luke Rakestraw

“Life with God”

Musical Reflection

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

PLEASE NOTE:

You will be released from your pew to come forward and receive the communion elements, and we will take the elements together once everyone has been served.

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 *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

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**Guide me O Thou great Jehovah
Pilgrim through this barren land
I am weak but Thou art mighty
Hold me with Thy pow'ful hand
Bread of heaven Bread of heaven
Feed me till I want no more
Feed me till I want no more**

**Open now the crystal fountain
Whence the healing stream doth flow
Let the fire and cloudy pillar
Lead me all my journey through
Strong Deliv'rer strong Deliv'rer
Be Thou still my strength and shield
Be Thou still my strength and shield**

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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.

When I tread the verge of Jordan
Bid my anxious fears subside
Death of death and hell's Destruction
Land me safe on Canaan's side
Songs of praises songs of praises
I will ever give to Thee
I will ever give to Thee

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:

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Janet Whitley
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Giving Report:

For more information, visit tcpca.org/give.

February Giving:	\$242,230	Total FY Giving (Oct-Feb):	\$1,262,507
February Goal:	\$198,879	Giving Goal (Oct-Feb):	\$1,163,512
Difference:	+\$43,351	Difference:	+\$98,995

Christ Beside Me

Text: James Quinn

Adapted from St. Patrick's Breastplate, 8th Century

Tune: Buessan (Morning Has Broken)



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 Lord's My Shepherd

Stuart Townend

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1.The Lord's my Shep - herd I'll not want; He makes me
2.He guides my ways in right - eous - ness, And He an -
3.And though I walk the dark - est path, I will not



lie in pas - tures green, He leads me by the still, still
noints my head with oil; And my cup: it ov - er -
fear the ev - il one, For You are with me, and Your



wat - - ers, His good-ness re-stores my soul. And I will
flows with joy, I feast on His pure de - lights.
rod and staff are the com - fort I need to know.



trust in You a - lone, and I will trust in You a - lone, for Your



end - less mer - cy fol - lows me Your good-ness will lead me home.

Announcements

Evening of Prayer for Ukraine & Belarus Tomorrow, March 14

Tomorrow night, Nate Jones will be hosting a prayer time for Ukraine and Belarus, where he will give an update on the refugee ministry that Taras is helping coordinate in Poland as well as the state of our church partner in Belarus. We will gather starting at 7:00 PM in the Sanctuary. If you have any questions, please email Nate at njones@tcpca.org.

Handbell Players Needed

The handbell choir is looking for 1 or 2 new members for our group as well as people willing to substitute if the need arises. You do not need to have played bells before but an understanding of music rhythm reading is important. We will be rehearsing on Thursday nights this session and will play in worship April 10, Palm Sunday. Please contact Suzanne Dovel at sdovel@tcpca.org if you are interested or for more information.

Save the date! VBS on June 13-17

VBS is back this summer! During the mornings of June 13th-17th we will be hosting Vacation Bible School with great lessons, music, crafts and plenty of fun! More details will be forthcoming. If you would like to serve on the VBS committee we'd love to have your help to plan a wonderful week for our kids. Please contact Nicole Dorton: ndorton@tcpca.org.

MDO Teachers & Subs Needed

TCPC's Mother's Day Out is looking for substitute teachers for the remainder of this year as well as teachers for next school year, 2022-2023. These positions are perfect for college students or others who have experience with kids and would like part-time work. Moms who teach may enroll one child in the program free of charge. Teacher hours are 8:00am -1:00pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays. If either position sounds like a good fit for you, contact Nicole Dorton ndorton@tcpca.org to set up an interview.

Trinity Job Openings

Trinity Christian Academy is currently hiring for the 2022-23 academic year, looking for qualified, experienced applicants for the following positions:

- Band Instructor
- Elementary Teachers - 1st-6th grade
- Elementary STEM Teacher
- Bible Teacher - Grades 7-9
- Middle School History Teacher
- High School Math Teacher
- High School English Teacher
- Guidance/College Counselor (full time)
- Latin Teacher (Grades 6-9)

To apply, visit Trinity's website at trinitylex.org and click the "Employment" option in the About menu.

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