

Tates Creek PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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.



If this is your first time visiting, please fill out a Visitor's Card (located in the pew in front of you) and place it in the offering basket later in the service. We would love to meet you and help you get connected.



This Order of Worship will be your guide to our service, and there are notes in the margins explaining the different elements of our liturgy.



Finally, if you would like to speak to someone who can answer any questions you may have about our church, please visit the **Welcome Desk**, which will be on your left after you exit the Sanctuary.

Liturgical Colors for Lent

A reformed view of worship involves all the senses. Churches often use various means to aid our worship through the senses. One such means is the use of color and light. The parament coverings on the pulpit and communion table reflect the liturgical calendar through color. Purple, which symbolizes penitence, is used during Lent and also during Advent.

Liturgy Notes Do you have questions

about how we worship?

This column answers the "what" and "why" of each

element of our liturgy.

The Call to Worship is tradition-

ally 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 wor-

ship 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 com-

mands 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.

Call to Worship

call.

Order of Worship April 7, 2019 at 9:00 and 11:15 AM

REJOICE Declare the praises of God

Prelude Sing a New Song to the Lord (from Psalm 96) by Kara Funke Covenant Singers

Sing a new song to the Lord.

All earth sing praise to the Lord. Alleluia.

Proclaim His salvation day after day,

Declare His glory to worlds far away.

Great is the Lord and greatly we praise. Singing His glory, our voices we raise.

Call to Worship from Psalm 150

MINISTER:

Praise the Lord! Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heavens! **PEOPLE:**

Praise him for his mighty deeds; praise him according to his excellent greatness!

MINISTER:

Praise him with trumpet sound; praise him with lute and harp!

PEOPLE:

Praise him with tambourine and dance; praise him with strings and pipe!

MINISTER:

Praise him with sounding cymbals; praise him with loud clashing cymbals! **PEOPLE:**

Let everything that has breath praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!

Hymn of Rejoicing When Morning Gilds the Skies #167

Invocation

Welcome, Announcements, and Pastoral Prayer

Membership Vows

11:15 - Ian & Catherine Holbrook and Chandler & Isis Sparkman

Invocation

The minister invokes the presence of God that is promised to those who gather in His name. We ask for God to join us in worship, to lead us in worship, and to be pleased with our worship.

RENEW Receive the grace of God

Scripture Reading Joel 2:21-29 (Pew Bible p. 762)

LEADER: All men are like grass, their glory like flowers of the field.

PEOPLE:

PEOPLE:

The grass withers and the flowers fall,...

Read by Anita Yenwongfai

...but the Word of the Lord stands forever. **Confession of God's People**

MINISTER:

If we live by the Spirit... **PEOPLE:**

Let us walk by the Spirit.

MINISTER:

The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control...

And yet we confess our hatred, discontentment, strife, impatience, bitterness, evil, falsehood, harshness, and self-indulgence. Forgive us for the deeds of our flesh and produce in us the fruit of your Holy Spirit.

- Silent Prayers of Confession -

Repentance of God's People

MINISTER:

Are you sorrowful for resisting the Holy Spirit?

MINISTER:

Do you sense the conviction of the Holy Spirit? MINISTER:

PEOPLE: Will you yield to again to the Holy Spirit? We will.

Assurance of God's Pardon from 2 Corinthians 13

MINISTER:

the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Greeting of the Peace of Christ

PEOPLE:

PEOPLE:

We are.

We do.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of

each other with the peace of Christ.

We extend to others the grace that God has extended to us, greeting

Greeting of Peace

ready ours in Christ Jesus.

In the midst of a fractured world filled with prejudice, hatred, and

violence, we are a demonstration

of God's reconciliation. Worshipers greeted one another with the

words of Christ after His resurrection, which became the customary greeting of the early Church:

"Peace be with you."

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 togeth-

er. We do this corporately through

a unison litany or prayer and in-

dividually 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 Confession and repentance is al-

ways 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 al-

ing to repent of your sins.

Hymn of Renewal Wonderful Merciful Savior (by Dawn Rodgers and Eric Wise)



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RESPOND Embrace the call of God

Confession of Faith The Apostles Creed

UNSION:
I believe in God the Father Almighty

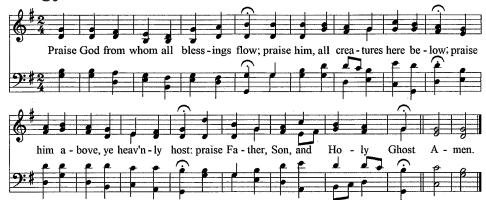
I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried: he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead: he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the

dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic[†] Church; the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body; and the life

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

Doxology Old Hundredth

everlasting. Amen.



Offertory Prayer

Offertory Blessed Assurance (arr. Joel Raney)

TCPC Choir with the Covenant Singers

He'll never leave me, he's there to stay. God holds my hand, he lights my way. God's love is perfect, his arms are strong, He's right here with me, I'm not alone. When my heart's broken, he's there to mend. He is my Savior, he is my friend. Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine! Watching and waiting, looking above, filled with his goodness lost in his love. This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long; this is

my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

One thing I'm sure of, one thing I know. God walks beside me wherever I go.

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.

Anthem

It is not just financial offerings that we give to God during this time but offerings of beauty as well. While the offering is collected, our choir offers up to God beautifully-composed music with text that meditates upon the truths of the gospel and the promises of God. God's gift of music (along with the work of

his Spirit) helps us feel deeply and marvel at who he is, what he has done, and what he will do.

| Sermon | Scripture Reading Acts 2:1-13 (Pew Bible p. 909) | | |
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| 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. | MINISTER: The Word of the Lord. | PEOPLE: Thanks be to God. | |
| | Sermon Rev. Robert Cunningham, Senior Minister | | |
| | "What's New With the New?" | | |
| Therefore, we open our minds and hearts to the uniquely formative | | | |
| power of ordained preaching. | | | |
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SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Please note:

We offer both wine and grape juice in Holy Communion: wine is in the outer ring of cups, and the grape juice is in the inner rings of cups. Also, gluten-free bread is offered at the center table.

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.

Children's Blessing: Children (of any age) who have not professed faith in Christ are encouraged to come

forward with their parents to receive a blessing from the pastor or officer.

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

Holy Communion *Rise My Soul* (Early American Folk Hymn arr. Susan LaBarr)

Covenant Singers Rise, my soul, and take thy wings, thy better portion trace,

Rise from transitory things toward heaven, thy native place.

Sun and moon and stars decay, time shall soon this earth remove; Rise, my soul, and haste away to seats prepared above.

Rivers to the ocean run, nor stay in all their course; Fire ascending seeks the sun, both speed them to their source. So my soul that's born of God longs to view his glorious face.

Forward tends to his abode, to rest in his embrace. Fly me riches, fly me cares, whilst I that coast explore;

Flattering world, with all thy snares, solicit me no more. Pilgrims fix not here their home; strangers tarry but a night;

When the last dear morn is come, they'll rise to joyful light.

Cease, ye pilgrims, cease to mourn, press onward to the prize; Soon our Savior will return triumphant in the skies: Yet a season and you know happy entrance will be given,

All our sorrows left below, and earth exchanged for heaven.

Hymn of Response Be Thou My Vision #642

Benediction & Postlude



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.

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

Praver

in Christ Jesus!

Prayer is available after the service to any in need. The Elder on Call will be waiting by the communion table to pray with you.

Prayer Chain

Kathrvn Lvon KRL40502@aol.com

Janet Whitley JJWhitley@twc.com

Weekly Information

Attendance: 617 Today's Deacons on Duty:

Matt McEwen & Austin Willard

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

February Actual Giving: \$139,081 February Giving Goal: \$143,381

Difference: -\$4,300

YTD Actual Giving (Oct-Feb): \$880,799 YTD Giving Goal (Oct-Feb): \$791,760

Difference: \$89,038

Today's Musicians

Deb Endean, piano Jane Ritter, organ

Covenant Singers Kara Funke (director)

SopranoAltoMia ConnellSusan AndersonMary Brook DiamondMaria ColettiElaine GeorgeJenna DonetAbigail KernSarai DupreeHope MerrillAshley Luchenbill

Cameron Shorter

Announcements

No Children's Sunday School or Beautitudes Sunday School Class

Due to Spring Break, some Sunday School classes are cancelled today. The Ambassadors and Veritas classes will still be meeting today.

Holy Week Schedule

April 14 - 9:00 & 11:15, Palm Sunday April 18 - 7:00pm, Maundy Thursday Service

April 19 - 12:00pm, Good Friday Service April 21 - 9:00 & 11:15, Easter Sunday

Foundations Weekend

Registration is open for our next Foundations Weekend membership class, taking place on April 12 and 13. We invite anyone who is interested in learning more about membership to join us. You can sign up at **tcpca.org/foundations**, and email Nate Jones with any questions at njones@tcpca.org.

Easter Sunday Choir Brunch

Each year, we serve the choir by providing breakfast for them between services on Easter Sunday. If you are interested in helping out this year, please sign up at **tcpca.org/easter-brunch**

Garrison Farewell and Workday

Come help the Garrison's prepare to leave their home to serve in Africa. On April 13 from 2-6pm we will be meeting at their house on 949 Darda Court to help Mark and Marcela complete any remaining projects, pack, and clean. Only adults and teens during this time please to make it as productive as possible. If you can help with childcare for their kids during, please contact Katie Strow at ktstrow@gmail.com.

At 6pm we will be meeting in the TCPC Youth Room for pizza and drinks. All are welcome to come to this time to say goodbye. Please send money to Katie Strow via Venmo (@Katheryn-Strow) to give us a headcount for dinner: \$6 per individual, \$10 per family. Any additional monies will go towards a love offering for the Garrison's travel.

Announcements (continued)

Inklings Bookstore Sale

Stop by the bookstore today! Inklings is liquidating and all books are 75% off.

Maundy Thursday Missions Offering

This year during Lent, we are asking everyone 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. There are two ways to give to the Maundy Thursday Missions Offering: Online, at any time or even multiple times between today and Maundy Thursday, or in-person, at the Maundy Thursday service on April 18. Thank you for considering this special way to give to missions at TCPC.

TouchPoint Picture Directory

One of the great features of our new TouchPoint Church Database is a picture database! You can view it by going to tcpca.org, then click "TP Picture Directory" in the Resources tab.

Trinity Senior Thesis Showcase

Each year, Trinity's seniors conclude their academic career by asking important questions that are further developed through extensive research and writing. Please join us for our Senior Thesis Showcase on Monday, April 15th at 7:00 in the Fellowship Hall, as three of our senior students share with us not only their minds but also their hearts on these topics:

The Ugly Truth – What is the relationship between the media's portrayal of feminine beauty and the rise in negative body image and eating disorders?

Foundations of Liberalism – What does Christianity have to do with political liberty and individual freedom? Knowledge of Languages is the Doorway to Wisdom – Does the study of foreign languages offer any lasting cognitive or intellectual benefit?

Calendar

Sunday, April 7

9:00 am, Worship of the Living God 10:20 am, NO Sunday School (except Veritas & Ambassadors) 11:15 am, Worship of the Living God 2:00 pm, Lafayette Place Seniors Worship

Monday, April 8

7:00pm, Scouts 7:00pm, Women's Writing Group

Wednesday, April 10

6:30am, Men's Bible Study 9:00am, Women's Bible Study 12:00pm, Men's Bible Study 6:30pm, Youth Group 6:30pm, Choir Rehearsal 7:00pm, Women's Evening Bible Study

Thursday, April 11

12:30 pm, Access Prayer Group

Friday, April 12 - Saturday, April 13

Foundations Weekend

Sunday, April 14 (Palm Sunday)

9:00 am, Worship of the Living God 10:20 am, Sunday School 11:15 am, Worship of the Living God 2:00 pm, Lafayette Place Seniors Worship

Future Events

April 18, 7:00pm, Maundy Thursday April 19, 12:00pm, Good Friday April 21, Easter Sunday

Pastors & Staff

Ministers

Rev. Robert Cunningham, Senior Minister Rev. Mark Randle, Associate Minister Rev. Sam Taaffe, Director of RUF at U.K. Rev. Will Witherington, Assistant Minister

Ministry Directors

Kelly-Anne Bradley, Women's Ministry Director Nate Jones, Director of Community & Outreach Mac Holt, Director of Youth Ministries Jennifer Matocha, Director of Children's Ministries LeeAnn Raleigh, Nursery Director

Administrative Staff

Paul Adams, Administrative Assistant
Drew Banta, Facilities Manager
Ruth Binkowski, Administrative Assistant
Suzanne Dovel, Children's Choir & Handbells
Deb Endean, Staff Musician
Chloe Gabbard, Administrative Assistant
Bobby Pepiot, Church Administrator
Kasie Ralston, Administrative Assistant
Chelsea Steyn, Choir Director

Elders

Parish 1

Greg Anderson
Robert Cunningham
(Moderator)
Jeff Ford
Wayne Marlowe

Wayne Marlowe Mark Randle (T.E.) Andy Waters

Parish 2

Ron Whitley Casey Willis

Parish 3

David Cowen
Jason Delong
Andy Hardin
Doug Hardy
Justin Hubbard

Parish 4

Rick Endean Grant Rowe

Parish 5

Tim Green (Clerk)
Jamie Hinely

Deacons

Parish 1

Dan Breeden Mark Garrison Ralph Haddock Verne Kern Matt McEwen (Chair) Bobby Pepiot Harry Standinger

Parish 2

Austin Willard

Parish 3

Mark Deicher Jay Siekmann

Parish 4

Jordan Ellis Devin Johnson Luke McAnally Andrei Shliakhau Tyler Strow

Parish 5

Jim Guinn Tim Meador Justin Provost (Treasurer)

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