



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 cross is laid on every Christian. The first Christ-suffering which every man must experience is the call to abandon the attachments of this world. It is that dying of the old man which is the result of his encounter with Christ. As we embark upon discipleship we surrender ourselves to Christ in union with His death—we give over our lives to death. Thus it begins; the cross is not the terrible end to an otherwise God-fearing and happy life, but it meets us at the beginning of our communion with Christ. When Christ calls a man, He bids him come and die.”

- Dietrich Bonhoeffer

COVER ARTWORK

Calvary, Nicolae Tonitza

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 7, 2021 at 9:00AM and 11:00AM

REJOICE Declare the praises of God

Prelude

Call to Worship

LEADER: Come, let us sing praises to our Savior who proclaims good news to the poor, liberty to the captives, recovery of sight to the blind, and Who sets at liberty all who are oppressed.

PEOPLE: Let us exalt Christ’s name together!

Hymn of Rejoicing *Rejoice The Lord Is King*

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Rejoice, the Lord is King: Your Lord and King adore!
Rejoice, give thanks and sing, And triumph evermore.
Lift up your heart,
Lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Jesus, the Savior, reigns, the God of truth and love;
When He has purged our stains, He took his seat above;
Lift up your heart,
Lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

His kingdom cannot fail, He rules o’er earth and heav’n;
The keys of death and hell are to our Jesus giv’n:
Lift up your heart,
Lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Rejoice in glorious hope! Our Lord and judge shall come
And take His servants up to their eternal home:
Lift up your heart,
Lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Welcome & Announcements

Pastoral Prayer

THIS WEEK'S PRAYER EMPHASIS:

Pray for the Garrison family and their full transition returning from Zambia.

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.

RENEW Receive the grace of God

Scripture Reading Psalm 63:1-8

O God, You are my God; earnestly I seek You;
my soul thirsts for You;
my flesh faints for You,
as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.
So I have looked upon You in the sanctuary,
beholding Your power and glory.
Because Your steadfast love is better than life,
my lips will praise You.
So I will bless You as long as I live;
in Your name I will lift up my hands.

My soul will be satisfied as with fat and rich food,
and my mouth will praise You with joyful lips,
when I remember You upon my bed,
and meditate on You in the watches of the night;
for You have been my help,
and in the shadow of Your wings I will sing for joy.
My soul clings to You;
Your right hand upholds me.

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

LEADER: Gracious God, though we love You,

PEOPLE: Too often our love is deceptive.

LEADER: Though we honor You with our lips,

PEOPLE: Too often our hearts are far from You.

LEADER: Though we bring to You our worship,

PEOPLE: Too often it is empty ceremony.

LEADER: Though we flaunt an external obedience,

PEOPLE: Too often there is internal rebellion.

LEADER: Though You are our joy,

PEOPLE: Too often we choose lesser joys.

- Silent Prayers of Confession -

Repentance of God's People

LEADER: Do you renounce the lesser loves of this world?

PEOPLE: We do.

LEADER: Do you return again to your first Love?

PEOPLE: We do.

Assurance of God's Pardon

LEADER: But you, O Lord, are a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness.

Hymn of Renewal *How Deep The Father's Love For Us*

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How deep the Father's love for us
How vast beyond all measure
That He should give His only Son
To make a wretch His treasure
How great the pain of searing loss
The Father turns His face away
As wounds which mar the Chosen One
Bring many sons to glory

Behold the Man upon a cross
My sin upon His shoulders
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers

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It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished
His dying breath has brought me life
I know that it is finished

I will not boast in anything
No gifts no pow'r no wisdom
But I will boast in Jesus Christ
His death and resurrection
Why should I gain from His reward
I cannot give an answer
But this I know with all my heart
His wounds have paid my ransom
*Why should I gain from His reward
I cannot give an answer
But this I know with all my heart
His wounds have paid my ransom*

RESPOND Embrace the call of God

Confession of Faith The Apostles Creed

UNISON: 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 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 everlasting. Amen.

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

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 *Lamb Of God* (Music on Page 10)

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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.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

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 *My Jesus I Love Thee*

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My Jesus, I love Thee, I know Thou art mine;
For Thee all the follies of sin I resign;
My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art Thou;
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

I love Thee because Thou hast first loved me
And purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree;
I love Thee for wearing the thorns on Thy brow;
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

I'll love Thee in life, I will love Thee in death,
And praise Thee as long as Thou lendest me breath,
And say when the deathdew lies cold on my brow:
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

In mansions of glory and endless delight,
I'll ever adore Thee in heaven so bright;
I'll sing with the glittering crown on my brow:
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

Benediction

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

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 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

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 to be added to the email list.

Trinity Job Openings

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

Giving Report: For more info, visit 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
Difference:	+\$267,497	Difference:	+\$174,627

Lamb Of God

Twila Paris

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Your on - ly Son, no sin to hide, but You have
Your gift of love they cru - ci - fied, they laughed and
I was so lost I should have died, but You have



sent Your from your side to walk up - on this guilt - y
scorned Him as He died. The hum - ble King they named a
brought me to Your side to be led by Your staff and



sod, and to be - come the Lamb of God. _____
fraud, and sac - ri - ficed the Lamb of God. _____
rod, and to be called a lamb of God. _____



O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God; I love the



ho - ly Lamb of God, O wash me in His pre - cious



blood. My Je - sus Christ, the Lamb of God. _____

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