

# 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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# SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Join us for a Sunday School class in-between services! Scan this QR code to find your class, or look for the signs in the Narthex.



# Preparing Our Hearts for Worship...

"Christians should live as if Jesus had died this morning, risen this afternoon, and was coming this evening."

- Martin Luther

# 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

October 31, 2021 at 9:00AM and 11:15AM Reformation Sunday

# **REJOICE** Declare the praises of God

# **Call to Worship**

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

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

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 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

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A mighty fortress is our God A bulwark never failing Our helper He amid the flood Of mortal ills prevailing For still our ancient foe Doth seek to work us woe His craft and pow'r are great And armed with cruel hate On earth is not his equal

Did we in our own strength confide Our striving would be losing Were not the right Man on our side The Man of God's own choosing Dost ask who that may be Christ Jesus it is He Lord Sabaoth His name From age to age the same And He must win the battle

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And tho' this world with devils filled Should threaten to undo us We will not fear for God hath willed His truth to triumph thru us The prince of darkness grim We tremble not for him His rage we can endure For lo his doom is sure One little word shall fell him

That word above all earthly pow'rs No thanks to them abideth The Spirit and the gifts are ours Thru Him who with us sideth Let goods and kindred go This mortal life also The body they may kill God's truth abideth still His kingdom is forever

## Welcome & Announcements

# **RENEW** Receive the grace of God

#### Scripture Reading Deuteronomy 20:1-4

"When you go out to war against your enemies, and see horses and chariots and an army larger than your own, you shall not be afraid of them, for the LORD your God is with you, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt. And when you draw near to the battle, the priest shall come forward and speak to the people and shall say to them, 'Hear, O Israel, today you are drawing near for battle against your enemies: let not your heart faint. Do not fear or panic or be in dread of them, for the LORD your God is he who goes with you to fight for you against your enemies, to give you the victory."

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 Prayer of Confession from Martin Luther

UNISON: Waken our hearts, O Lord, our God:

Trouble us with the guilt of our transgressions.

Trouble us with the greatness of Your command to make disciples of all nations.

Trouble us with Your great love for sinners and our own slowness to make You our greatest love.

Trouble us with the brevity of our lives and time, talent, and treasure not invested in eternity.

Comfort us with the cords of Your unfailing mercy.

Comfort us with the assurance of our salvation.

Comfort us with the promise of unending glory with You.

Rekindle in us a desire for the coming of Your glorious kingdom

when all wrongs will be made right,

when everything that is broken will be made whole,

and when we will trade a cross for a crown.

In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

- Silent Prayers of Confession -

### **Repentance of God's People**

LEADER: Nothing in our hands we bring

**PEOPLE: Simply to Thy cross we cling** 

LEADER: Naked, come to Thee for dress

**PEOPLE: Helpless, look to Thee for grace** 

LEADER: Foul, we to Thy fountain fly

**PEOPLE: Wash us Savior or we die** 

## Assurance of God's Pardon from 1 John 1:9

LEADER: If we confess our sins, He will be faithful and just, and will forgive us our sins, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

#### Hymn of Renewal Satisfied (Sheet Music on Page 10)

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All my lifelong I had panted For a drink from some cool spring That I hoped would quench the burning Of the thirst I felt within

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#### **REFRAIN:**

Hallelujah I have found Him Whom my soul so long has craved Jesus satisfies my longings Thro' His blood I now am saved

Feeding on the husks around me Till my strength was almost gone Longed my soul for something better Only still to hunger on (**REFRAIN**)

Poor I was and sought for riches Something that would satisfy But the dust I gathered 'round me Only mocked my soul's sad cry (**REFRAIN**)

Well of water ever springing Bread of life so rich and free Untold wealth that never faileth My Redeemer is to me (**REFRAIN**)

# **RESPOND** Embrace the call of God

### Confession of Faith The Nicene Creed

UNISON: We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets; and we believe in one holy catholic<sup>+</sup> and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

<sup>+</sup> Worldwide communion of faith, past, present, and future.

#### **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.

# 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 Come Behold The Wondrous Mystery

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Come behold the wondrous myst'ry in the dawning of the King He the theme of heaven's praises robed in frail humanity In our longing, in our darkness, now the light of life has come Look to Christ who condescended, took on flesh to ransom us

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry, He the perfect Son of Man In His living, in His suff'ring, never trace nor stain of sin See the true and better Adam come to save the hell-bound man Christ the great and sure fulfillment of the law in Him we stand

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry Christ the Lord upon the tree In the stead of ruined sinners hangs the Lamb in victory See the price of our redemption, see the Father's plan unfold Bringing many sons to glory, grace unmeasured love untold

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry slain by death the God of life But no grave could e'er restrain Him, praise the Lord He is alive What a foretaste of deliv'rance, how unwavering our hope Christ in power resurrected as we will be when He comes What a foretaste of deliv'rance, how unwavering our hope Christ in power resurrected as we will be when He comes

#### **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.

#### 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.

### Scripture Reading Mark 5:1-15

<sup>1</sup>They came to the other side of the sea, to the country of the Gerasenes. <sup>2</sup>And when Jesus had stepped out of the boat, immediately there met him out of the tombs a man with an unclean spirit. <sup>3</sup>He lived among the tombs. And no one could bind him anymore, not even with a chain, 4 for he had often been bound with shackles and chains, but he wrenched the chains apart. and he broke the shackles in pieces. No one had the strength to subdue him. 5Night and day among the tombs and on the mountains he was always crying out and cutting himself with stones. 6 And when he saw Jesus from afar, he ran and fell down before him. 7And crying out with a loud voice, he said, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I adjure you by God, do not torment me." 8For he was saying to him, "Come out of the man, you unclean spirit!" 9And Jesus asked him, "What is your name?" He replied, "My name is Legion, for we are many." <sup>10</sup> And he begged him earnestly not to send them out of the country. "Now a great herd of pigs was feeding there on the hillside, <sup>12</sup> and they begged him, saying, "Send us to the pigs; let us enter them." <sup>13</sup>So he gave them permission. And the unclean spirits came out and entered the pigs; and the herd, numbering about two thousand, rushed down the steep bank into the sea and drowned in the sea.

14The herdsmen fled and told it in the city and in the country. And people came to see what it was that had happened. 15And they came to Jesus and saw the demon-possessed man, the one who had had the legion, sitting there, clothed and in his right mind, and they were afraid.

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

Sermon Rev. Robert Cunningham

"Happy Hallows' Eve!"

## **Musical Reflection**

# 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

#### 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.

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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 Only Christ (Sheet Music on Page 11)

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Scarlet crimes white as snow through Christ, only Christ Crimson red now like wool through Christ, only Christ Once for all like a flood made us pure, called us good Sprinkled clean with His blood through Christ, only Christ

For behold Heaven's plan through Christ, only Christ Son of God, Son of Man He left paradise Not to judge the depraved but to free those enslaved That the world might be saved through Christ, only Christ

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

Hist'ry's hope, sealed in stone, 'twas Christ, only Christ Then a breath broke the dawn from Christ, only Christ On the third death was killed temple stone Christ rebuilt Jonah's sign now fulfilled through Christ Now the grave it has passed He's the First and the Last Faith is found, hope is cast on Christ, only Christ

# **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:

#### Kathryn Lyon KRL40502@aol.com

Janet Whitley janetjwhitley@gmail.com Boldly come to His throne through Christ, only Christ Finding grace, grace alone through Christ, only Christ Drawing near through our Priest not condemned, now at peace Soon as guests at His feast through Christ Lord, with praise we proclaim there is no other name By which all might be saved but Christ, only Christ

# Benediction

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

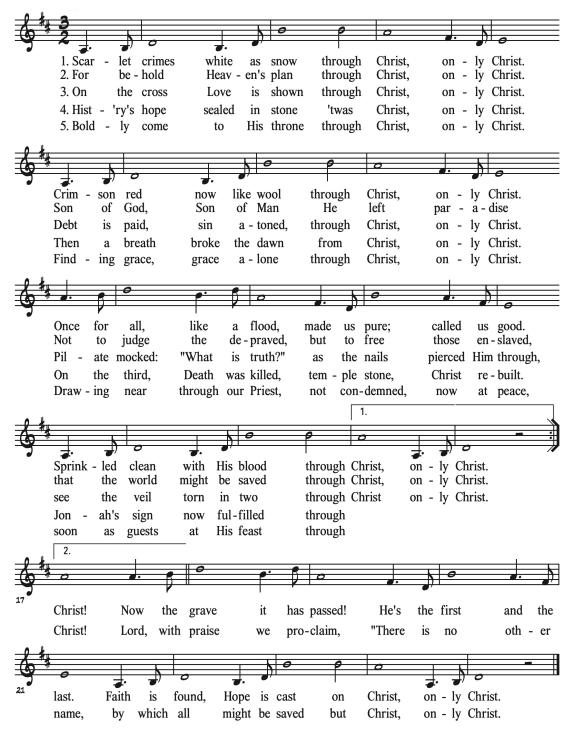
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# **Only Christ**

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# Announcements

# Foundations Weekend on November 5-6

This is the last call to sign up for our membership class next weekend! The sessions will be Friday night and Saturday morning, and breakfast and dinner are provided. We invite anyone who is interested in pursuing membership and learning more about our church history and theology. To sign up, scan this QR code. Please email Nate Jones with any questions at njones@tcpca.org.



# **Senior Ministry Luncheon**

The next luncheon sponsored by the Senior Ministry will be on Sunday, November 14, in the Fellowship Hall following the second service. Stephen Lynerd will be presenting a delightful musical program. These luncheons are open to all ages, not just seniors. It will be catered, so in order to be sure there's enough food, please RSVP by November 7 to Eileen Frisinger at bifrisinger@aol.com.

# **College Student Lunch on November 14**

If you're a college student at TCPC, join us on November 14 right after the 11:15 service for free lunch! We will meet in the Lower Level Classroom.

# **TCPC Turkey Bowl on November 21**

The Men's Ministry will be hosting a flag football tournament that is open to all men and women ages 12 and up on Sunday, November 21. The games will take place from 1:30 to 5:30 PM, and there will also be a chili cookoff during the afternoon. Each participant will be assigned to a team, so sign up to play by emailing Mac Holt at mholt@tcpca.org.

# **Open House and Café Night at Trinity**

On November 4, Trinity Christian Academy will be hosting a Café Night starting at 6:30 to highlight student talent in music, visual arts, and drama. Following this Café Night, there will be an Open House starting at 7:00. Prospective parents are invited to come for the entire evening!

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