



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...

“Teach me work that honors Thy work,
the true economies of goods and words,
to make my arts compatible
with the songs of the local birds.

Teach me patience beyond work
and, beyond patience, the blest
Sabbath of Thy unresting love
which lights all things and gives rest.”

- Wendell Berry

COVER ARTWORK

Beartooth Mountain

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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

April 24, 2022 at 9:00AM and 11:15AM

The Ordination of McClellan Holt to Holy Ministry

REJOICE Declare the praises of God

Call to Worship from Psalm 27 and John 4:23

LEADER: Let us worship God, our Light and our Salvation.

PEOPLE: The Lord is the Stronghold of our lives.

LEADER: We desire to live in God’s house and to seek God in His holy temple.

PEOPLE: We have come with shouts of joy, to sing and to make music to the Lord.

LEADER: Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.

PEOPLE: Teach us Your ways and make straight our paths in this hour of worship and always.

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

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 Daniel 4:28-34

All this came upon King Nebuchadnezzar. At the end of twelve months he was walking on the roof of the royal palace of Babylon, and the king answered and said, "Is not this great Babylon, which I have built by my mighty power as a royal residence and for the glory of my majesty?" While the words were still in the king's mouth, there fell a voice from heaven, "O King Nebuchadnezzar, to you it is spoken: The kingdom has departed from you, and you shall be driven from among men, and your dwelling shall be with the beasts of the field. And you shall be made to eat grass like an ox, and seven periods of time shall pass over you, until you know that the Most High rules the kingdom of men and gives it to whom he will." Immediately the word was fulfilled against Nebuchadnezzar. He was driven from among men and ate grass like an ox, and his body was wet with the dew of heaven till his hair grew as long as eagles' feathers, and his nails were like birds' claws.

At the end of the days I, Nebuchadnezzar, lifted my eyes to heaven, and my reason returned to me, and I blessed the Most High, and praised and honored him who lives forever,

for his dominion is an everlasting dominion,
and his kingdom endures from generation to generation;

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

UNISON: Merciful Father, together we confess our vanity and pride. The approval of others has been our greatest ambition, and the rejection of others our greatest fear. We go about our days thirsting for glory. When it finds us, we boast, and when it eludes us, we self-pity. We flatter the powerful and ignore the poor. Even in our virtue we want to be noticed and admired. Forgive our arrogance and fill our hungry souls with Your approval and love. May Your gospel favor be better to us than all the praises of this world.

- *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: Has your pride failed you?

PEOPLE: Always

LEADER: Has your Savior failed you?

PEOPLE: Never

LEADER: Will you return to Jesus as your only boast?

PEOPLE: We will.

Assurance of God's Pardon from Zephaniah 3

LEADER: The LORD your God is in your midst, a Mighty One to save; He will rejoice over you with gladness; He will quiet you by His love; He will exult over you with loud singing.

Hymn of Renewal *Be Thou My Vision*

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Be Thou my vision O Lord of my heart
Naught be all else to me save that Thou art
Thou my best thought by day or by night
Waking or sleeping Thy presence my light

Be Thou my wisdom and Thou my true word
I ever with Thee and Thou with me Lord
Thou my great Father and I Thy true son
Thou in me dwelling and I with Thee one

Be Thou my shield and my sword for the fight
Be Thou my dignity be Thou my might
Thou my soul's shelter and Thou my high tow'r
Raise Thou me heav'n-ward O pow'r of my pow'r

Riches I heed not nor man's empty praise
Thou mine inheritance now and always
Thou and Thou only first in my heart
High King of heaven my treasure Thou art

High King of heaven my victory won
May I reach heaven's joys o bright heaven's Sun
Heart of my own heart whatever befall
Still be my vision O Ruler of all
Still be my vision O Ruler of all

Confession of Faith from the PCA Book of Church Order

LEADER: What is required of an elder in Christ's Church?

PEOPLE: The office of elder is set forth in the Scriptures as one of authority and guidance, after the example of the Lord Jesus. It is your duty, McClellan, as elder to watch diligently over the flock committed to your charge, that no corruption of doctrine or of morals enter therein. You are to exercise government and discipline, and take oversight of the spiritual interests of the particular church. You are to instruct the uninformed, train the unequipped, comfort the mournful, nourish and guard the children of the covenant, and pray for the people under their care. You are to set an example by your zeal to evangelize the unconverted and make disciples. You are to love as you have been loved, to serve as you have been served, and in all things maintain the peace and purity of Christ's Church. May God grant you strength to be faithful and grace for your failures.

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 *Abide With Me*

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Abide with me, fast falls the eventide
The darkness deepens Lord, with me abide
When other helpers fail and comforts flee
Help of the helpless, oh, abide with me

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day
Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away
Change and decay in all around I see
O Thou who changest not, abide with me

I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless
Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness
Where is death's sting?
Where, grave, thy victory?
I triumph still, if Thou abide with me

Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes
Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies
Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee
In life, in death, o Lord, abide with me

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.

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 Luke 20:45-47

45And in the hearing of all the people he said to his disciples, **46**“Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and love greetings in the marketplaces and the best seats in the synagogues and the places of honor at feasts, **47**who devour widows' houses and for a pretense make long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation.”

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

Sermon Rev. Robert Cunningham

“Vanity’s Vanity”

ORDINATION & INSTALLATION (9:00 Service)

Charge & Questions to the Candidate Rev. Will Witherington

1. Do you believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, as originally given, to be the inerrant Word of God, the only infallible rule of faith and practice?
2. Do you sincerely receive and adopt the Confession of Faith and the Catechisms of this Church, as containing the system of doctrine taught in the Holy Scriptures; and do you further promise that if at any time you find yourself out of accord with any of the fundamentals of this system of doctrine, you will on your own initiative, make known to your Presbytery the change which has taken place in your views since the assumption of this ordination vow?
3. Do you approve of the form of government and discipline of the Presbyterian Church in America, in conformity with the general principles of Biblical polity?
4. Do you promise subjection to your brethren in the Lord?
5. Have you been induced, as far as you know your own heart, to seek the office of the holy ministry from love to God and a sincere desire to promote His glory in the Gospel of His Son?
6. Do you promise to be zealous and faithful in maintaining the truths of the Gospel and the purity and peace and unity of the Church, whatever persecution or opposition may arise unto you on that account?

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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.

7. Do you engage to be faithful and diligent in the exercise of all your duties as a Christian and a minister of the Gospel, whether personal or relational, private or public; and to endeavor by the grace of God to adorn the profession of the Gospel in your manner of life, and to walk with exemplary piety before the flock of which God shall make you overseer?
8. Are you now willing to take the charge of this church, agreeable to your declaration when accepting their call? And do you, relying upon God for strength, promise to discharge to it the duties of a pastor?

Charge & Questions to the Congregation Rev. Mark Randle

1. Do you, the people of this congregation, continue to profess your readiness to receive McClellan, whom you have called to be your pastor?
2. Do you promise to receive the word of truth from his mouth with meekness and love, and to submit to him in the due exercise of discipline?
3. Do you promise to encourage him in his labors, and to assist his endeavors for your instruction and spiritual edification?
4. Do you engage to continue to him while he is your pastor that competent worldly maintenance which you have promised, and to furnish him with whatever you may see needful for the honor of religion and for his comfort among you?

Ordination and Installation Prayer and Declaration

LEADER: I now pronounce and declare that McClellan Holt has been regularly elected, ordained, and installed pastor of this congregation, agreeable to the Word of God, and according to the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church in America; and that as such he is entitled to all support, encouragement, honor, and obedience in the Lord: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Laying On of Hands

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:

8 UNISON: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ shall come again!

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.

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 *Only Christ* (Music on Page 10)

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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

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.**

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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Only Christ

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1. Scar - let crimes white as snow through Christ, on - ly Christ.
2. For be - hold Heav - en's plan through Christ, on - ly Christ.
3. On the cross Love is shown through Christ, on - ly Christ.
4. Hist - 'ry's hope sealed in stone 'twas Christ, on - ly Christ.
5. Bold - ly come to His throne through Christ, on - ly Christ.



Crim - son red now like wool through Christ, on - ly Christ.
Son of God, Son of Man He left par - a - dise
Debt is paid, sin a - toned, through Christ, on - ly Christ.
Then a breath broke the dawn from Christ, on - ly Christ.
Find - ing grace, grace a - lone through Christ, on - ly Christ.



Once for all, like a flood, made us pure; called us good.
Not to judge the de - praved, but to free those en - slaved,
Pil - ate mocked: "What is truth?" as the nails pierced Him through,
On the third, Death was killed, tem - ple stone, Christ re - built.
Draw - ing near through our Priest, not con - demned, now at peace,



Sprink - led clean with His blood through Christ, on - ly Christ.
that the world might be saved through Christ, on - ly Christ.
see the veil torn in two through Christ on - ly Christ.
Jon - ah's sign now ful - filled through
soon as guests at His feast through

After Verses 4 & 5



Christ! Now the grave it has passed! He's the first and the
Christ! Lord, with praise we pro - claim, "There is no oth - er



last. Faith is found, Hope is cast on Christ, on - ly Christ.
name, by which all might be saved but Christ, on - ly Christ.

Announcements

Officer Nominations Opening on May 1

On May 1st, we will open up nominations for elders and deacons to anyone who would like to submit a nomination form. We want to encourage every communicant member to take this responsibility very seriously. Prayerfully look over the requirements and responsibilities included in the nomination forms, and submit the names of any you feel meet those expectations. The office of elder and deacon is a high and holy calling, and your participation in the nomination process is crucial. Nominations must be returned to the box in the narthex by June 12.

Healthy Aging Symposium on Saturday, May 14

This is a multi-generational event with something for everyone, from young to middle-agers who have aging family and friends they care about to those who are already there. Six local experts will offer a big-picture perspective on preparations for aging with topics such as “Recognizing the Tipping Point” for downsizing and “Reimagining Home and Aging in Place.” A plethora of information on local resources to assist with aging and independent living will be included. These talks will be held in the sanctuary. At the conclusion there will be breakout sessions to give you a chance to ask questions of the speakers. We will begin with coffee and snacks in the narthex at 8 a.m. and finish at noon. All this for no charge! More information will be available in the coming weeks in the announcements and on the TCPC website.

VBS Registration Is Now OPEN!

Join us for a fun-filled week at Vacation Bible School (VBS) June 13th-17th from 9am to 12pm each day as we learn about the greatness of God! Each day at VBS, kids will participate in awesome Bible adventures, play teamwork-building games, sing catchy songs, devour yummy treats, make fun crafts and have lots of fun! Register today on our VBS website at tcpc.org/vbs or by scanning this QR code.



Volunteer at VBS!

Vacation Bible School (VBS) is an exciting week in the life of our church that brings the gospel to life for our children through Bible lessons, worship, silly skits, games and so much more! The more volunteers we have, the more kids we can welcome to VBS. Jump in on the fun alongside the kids or serve behind the scenes, we'll help you find the perfect place to use your gifts. Register today at tcpc.org/vbs.

Trinity Groundbreaking Ceremony

Trinity Christian Academy, its Board of Directors, and the Head of School, cordially invite you to the Groundbreaking Ceremony of its new Brannon Road Campus on Thursday, May 5, 2022 at 5:00 PM. Learn more and RSVP on the Trinity website at trinitylex.org.

Trinity Job Openings

Trinity Christian Academy is currently hiring for the 2022-23 academic year, looking for qualified, experienced applicants for the following positions: Elementary Teachers - 1st-6th grade, Elementary STEM Teacher, High School Math Teacher, High School English Teacher, Latin Teacher (Grades 6-9). To apply, please visit Trinity's website at trinitylex.org

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