TRINITY CHURCH

The Presbyterian Church in America



Maundy Thursday April 6, 2023

A L O H A

All of us have this in common: we need God's grace.

Grace is not earned or deserved, but comes freely through God's gift of His Son Jesus Christ. We desire for you to find this grace and live within its power.

Welcome to Trinity Presbyterian Church!

Calendar & Upcoming Events

Friday, April 7th	Good Friday Service at 6pm
Saturday, April 8th	Saturday Online Devotions: Review and reflections from the Saving Grace daily devotions book by Jack Miller. 7:30-8:30am.
Sunday, April 9th	Easter Sunday Easter Worship at 9AM, Brunch at 10:15AM
Monday, April 10th	The Women's Study will meet in the TPC Downstairs Library on the 2nd and 4th Mondays (beginning January 9 and concluding May 8) from 6:30-8pm. Contact Erin Lutz or Merrill Hodges if you have any questions. Books will be provided.
Sunday, April 16th	Called Congregational Meeting Sunday April 16th - 11:30am. The elders would like to provide updates and discuss the following - budget, nominations and officer training, music minister, tuition and Trinity Christian School, and air conditioning for the sanctuary.
Sunday, April 30th	Shepherding a Child's Heart Luncheon Led by Pastor Todd Capen, this seminar will focus on 6 key principles from the book of the same title, by Tedd Tripp. 11:45 am, childcare & Lunch Provided.RSVP by April 20th.

COMMUNION AT TRINITY

<u>WHO IS INVITED TO TAKE PART</u>? All baptized believers who have professed their faith before the leadership of a Bible believing congregation that teaches the Christian faith in terms of faith alone in Christ are invited to join us at the Lord's Table. We ask that children wait to partake in the Lord's Supper until they have met with the Elders and professed faith publicly.

WHAT IF I AM NOT READY? If you or your children are not ready to partake in the Lord's Supper, you are invited to come forward and ask the Elders to pray for you. You may also remain in your seat to sing, pray or meditate.

<u>WHAT IS THE PROCESS</u>? We dismiss by rows and come forward, beginning with the middle sections, then moving to the outer sections. With the elements of the Supper in hand, return to your seat and take the elements when you are ready. We encourage you to sing, pray or meditate on the finished work of Christ at this time.

<u>PRAYER OF SEARCHING FOR TRUTH</u>: Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth and the life. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing and leads to the life you promise. Amen.

<u>PRAYER OF BELIEVING IN JESUS</u>: Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed. But through you, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared to hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my savior. Amen.

<u>PRAYER FOR STRUGGLING AGAINST SIN</u>: Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my needs, and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on you - the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely to me, and run with perseverance the race that you have set before me, looking only to you, the pioneer and champion of my faith. Amen

What Wondrous Love Is This

OPENING SONG

What wondrous love is this
O my soul O my soul
What wondrous love is this O my soul
What wondrous love is this
That caused the Lord of bliss
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul for my soul
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul

When I was sinking down
Sinking down sinking down
When I was sinking down
When I was sinking down
Beneath God's righteous frown
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul

To God and to the Lamb
I will sing I will sing
To God and to the Lamb I will sing
To God and to the Lamb
Who is the Great I Am
While millions join the theme
I will sing I will sing
While millions join the theme I will sing

And when from death I'm free
I'll sing on I'll sing on
And when from death I'm free I'll sing on
And when from death I'm free
I'll sing and joyful be
And thro' eternity I'll sing on I'll sing on
And thro' eternity I'll sing on

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WELCOME

Words of Grace from Matthew 26:39-42

"My Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me; nevertheless, not as I will but as you will...My Father, if this cannot pass unless I drink it, your will be done."

CALL TO WORSHIP

based on John 13:34, NRSV

Minister This day, our Lord said, "I give you a new commandment,

that you love one another.

Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another.

People In worship on this day,

we testify to God's love shown perfectly in Christ,

and we recommit ourselves

to love one another as a community of faith.

Minister On this day Christ the Lamb of God

gave himself into the hands of those who would slay him.

On this day Christ gathered with his disciples in the upper room. On this day Christ took a towel and washed his disciples' feet,

giving us an example that we should do to others as he has done to us.

On this day Christ our God gave us this feast, that we who eat this bread and drink this cup

may here proclaim his holy sacrifice and be partakers of his resurrection

and at the last day may reign with him in heaven.

PRAYER OF ADORATION

SCRIPTURE READING

John 13:11-17

Jesus Washes the Disciples' Feet

13 Now before the Feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart out of this world to the Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. 2 During supper, when the devil had already put it into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him, 3 Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going back to God, 4 rose from supper. He laid aside his outer garments, and taking a towel, tied it around his waist. 5 Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was wrapped around him. 6 He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, do you wash my feet?" 7 Jesus answered him, "What I am doing you do not understand now, but afterward you will understand." 8 Peter said to him, "You shall never wash my feet." Jesus answered him, "If I do not wash you, you have no share with me." 9 Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" 10 Jesus said to him, "The one who has bathed does not need to wash, except for his feet,[a] but is completely clean. And you[b] are clean, but not every one of you." 11 For he knew who was to betray him; that was why he said, "Not all of you are clean."

12 When he had washed their feet and put on his outer garments and resumed his place, he said to them, "Do you understand what I have done to you? 13 You call me Teacher and Lord, and you are right, for so I am. 14 If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. 15 For I have given you an example, that you also should do just as I have done to you. 16 Truly, truly, I say to you, a servant is not greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him. 17 If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them.

MESSAGE

"Washed: Meet Your Savior"

THE BODY OF CHRIST GIVEN FOR THE LIFE OF THE WORLD

Words of Institution

"For I received from the Lord that which I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus in the night in which 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." 1 Corinthians 11:23-25

THE MEAL

SONG Lamb of God

Your only Son no sin to hide But You have sent Him from Your side To walk upon this guilty sod And to become the Lamb of God

Your gift of love they crucified They laughed and scorned Him as He died The humble King they named a fraud And sacrificed the Lamb of God

Chorus

Oh Lamb of God sweet Lamb of God I love the holy Lamb of God Oh wash me in His precious blood My Jesus Christ the Lamb of God

I was so lost I should have died But You have brought me to Your side To be led by Your staff and rod And to be called a lamb of God

THE BLOOD OF CHRIST GIVEN FOR THE LIFE OF THE WORLD

Words of Institution

"In the same way He took the cup also, after supper, 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." *1 Corinthians* 11:25-26

SONG

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
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

How Great The Father's Love For Us

I will not boast in anything
No gifts, no power, 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

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 22

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

Why are you so far from saving me, from the words of my groaning?

- 2 O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer, and by night, but I find no rest.
- 3 Yet you are holy, enthroned on the praises of Israel.
- 4 In you our fathers trusted; they trusted, and you delivered them.
- 5 To you they cried and were rescued; in you they trusted and were not put to shame.
- 6 But I am a worm and not a man, scorned by mankind and despised by the people.
- 7 All who see me mock me; they make mouths at me; they wag their heads;
- 8 "He trusts in the Lord; let him deliver him; let him rescue him, for he delights in him!"
- 9 Yet you are he who took me from the womb; you made me trust you at my mother's breasts.
- 10 On you was I cast from my birth, and from my mother's womb you have been my God.
- 11 Be not far from me, for trouble is near, and there is none to help.
- 12 Many bulls encompass me; strong bulls of Bashan surround me;
- 13 they open wide their mouths at me, like a ravening and roaring lion.
- 14 I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint; my heart is like wax;

it is melted within my breast;

15 my strength is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue sticks to my jaws; you lay me in the dust of death.

16 For dogs encompass me; a company of evildoers encircles me; they have pierced my hands and feet 17 I can count all my bones they stare and gloat over me; 18 they divide my garments among them, and for my clothing they cast lots. 19 But you, O Lord, do not be far off! O you my help, come quickly to my aid! 20 Deliver my soul from the sword, my precious life from the power of the dog! 21 Save me from the mouth of the lion! You have rescued me from the horns of the wild oxen! 22 I will tell of your name to my brothers; in the midst of the congregation I will praise you: 23 You who fear the Lord, praise him! All you offspring of Jacob, glorify him, and stand in awe of him, all you offspring of Israel!

DISMISSAL

You are encouraged to dismiss in silence.

Worship at Trinity

WHAT IS WORSHIP?

In his encounter with the woman of Samaria, Jesus explained that "God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and in truth." (John 4:24). The reason Jesus says true worshipers must worship in this way is because God Himself "is spirit." Here we discover the simple yet profound principle that true worship is a response to God as He has personally revealed Himself. Thus, conformity to God's character is the key to true worship. "Great is the LORD," as the psalmist puts it, "and greatly to be praised" (Psalm 48:1)! In worship, we seek to reflect this divine reality, declaring with our lips and demonstrating with our lives that God is supremely precious and therefore worthy to receive all glory and honor and praise.

Why Do We Worship This Way?

Entering God's Presence

We gather in response to God's call to worship, joyfully offering praise to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. With reverence and awe, we confess our sins and receive God's forgiveness, which is declared in Jesus' name.

Renewing Our Faith

Worship continues with a focus on God's Word. Our faith is renewed as we publicly confess the truth of God, join our hearts and voices in prayers and hymns of praise to God, and hear the good news of God powerfully proclaimed.

Responding in Thanks

As hearing becomes doing, we respond to the proclamation of God's Word. Songs of praise continue to be raised and the gifts and offerings of God's people are collected. On Communion Sundays, we are invited to celebrate the Lord's Supper. With God's blessing upon us, we are sent into the world to love and serve the risen Lord Jesus Christ!

In consideration of other worshippers,
please program all communication devices to silent mode.
Parents, our nursery is available next door in the Preschool Building.
A Cry Room with a Livestream of today's service is downstairs in the Library.
Babies and toddlers are always welcome in the sanctuary.



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