



# Trinity Presbyterian Church

Celebrating the Diversity of All

August 24, 2008  
Twenty-first Sunday of Ordinary Time  
Trinity Choir Kick-off Sunday

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## PRELUDE

Prelude from Prelude and Fugue in C Major  
*Composer: (J.S. Bach 1685-1750) BWV 553a*

## GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

## INTROIT

Ain'-a That Good News!  
*Composer: William L. Dawson*

*I got a crown up in-a the Kingdom, Ain'-a that good news!  
(Refrain) I'm a-going to lay down this world, gonna shoulder up my cross,  
Gonna take it home to my Jesus, Ain'-a that good news!*

*I got a harp up in-a the Kingdom, Ain'-a that good news . . . (Refrain)*

*I got a robe up in-a the Kingdom, Ain'-a that good news . . . (Refrain)*

*I got a Savior in-a the Kingdom, Ain'-a that good news . . . (Refrain)*

## CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 33

*Leader: Rejoice in the LORD, O you righteous. Praise befits the upright.*

*People: Praise the LORD with the lyre; make melody to God with the harp of ten strings.*

*Leader: Sing to God a new song; play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts.*

*People: For the word of the LORD is upright, and all God's work is done in faithfulness.*

## HYMN 288

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

## CALL TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION UNISON

Merciful God, in your gracious presence we confess our sin and the sin of this world. Although Christ is among us as our peace, we are a people divided against ourselves as we cling to the values of a broken world. The profit and pleasures we pursue lay waste the land and pollute the seas. The fears and jealousies that we harbor set neighbor against neighbor and nation against nation. We abuse your good gifts of imagination and freedom, of intellect and reason, and have turned them into bonds of oppression. Lord, have mercy upon us; heal and forgive us. Set us free to serve you in the world as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ.

## **ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE**

*Leader: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. May the God of mercy, who forgives you all our sins, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life.*

People: Amen.

## **SONG OF PRAISE UNISON** (*Music can be found at Hymn 333*)

Seek ye first the Kingdom of God  
And His righteousness  
And all these things shall be added unto you.  
Allelu, Alleluia.

## **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

*Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.*

People: And also with you.

Please greet one another with the words, "The Peace of Christ be with you." Those who have been standing may sit.

## **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

### **ANTHEM**

Cantate Domino

*Composer: Giuseppe Ottavio Pitoni*

*Come ye with joyfulness, come, sing ye!  
O come ye, sing a new song to your Maker,  
O praise Him with the saintly congregation.  
Israel, be joyful and glad in Him,  
Be glad in Him who made Israel;  
And children of Zion be joyful,  
Rejoice and be glad in your King.*

**SCRIPTURE READING** Romans 12:1-8 (New Testament, page 161)

**SERMON** The Challenge and Beauty of Diversity

*Those who are able are invited to stand.*

**RESPONSE TO THE WORD – HYMN 339** Be Thou My Vision

*Those who have been standing may sit.*

## **TIME FOR PEACEMAKING**

*Trinity Presbyterian Church has a long-standing commitment to peacemaking. At this time of our worship, we lift up the areas of our world that are in need of peace, we discover ways we can be peacemakers in our lives, and we pray for peace. We light the Peace Candle to remind us that "the light shines in the darkness and the darkness has not overcome it."*

## **SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS**

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & SILENT PRAYER**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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;

and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

## COMMISSIONING OF THE TRINITY CHOIR AND DEDICATION OF THE NEW CHOIR ROBES

### CALL TO OFFERING

### OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

During the offering, please sign the Fellowship Pad and pass it to the person sitting next to you. When the pad reaches the end, please pass it back and take note of who is worshipping with you this morning.

### OFFERTORY

New Songs of Celebration Render

Composer: Genevan Psalter, ed. John Wilson

*New songs of celebration render to him who has great wonders done;  
Awe'd by his pow'r, his foes surrender and fall before the mighty One.  
He has made known his great salvation which all his friends with joy confess.  
He has revealed to ev'ry nation his everlasting righteousness.*

*Joyfully, heartily resounding, let ev'ry instrument and voice  
Peal out the praise of grace abounding, calling the whole world to rejoice.  
Trumpets and organs, set in motion such sounds as make the heavens ring:  
All things that live in earth and ocean, make music for your mighty King.  
Rivers and seas and torrents roaring, honour the Lord with wild acclaim;  
Mountains and stones, look up adoring, and find a voice to praise his name.  
Righteous, commanding, ever glorious, praises be his that never cease:  
Just is our God, whose truth victorious establishes the world in peace.*

*Those who are able are invited to stand.*

### SONG OF PRAISE UNISON

Praise God from whom all blessings flow!  
Praise Him<sup>†</sup> all creatures here below!  
Praise Him<sup>†</sup> above ye heavenly host!  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!<sup>‡</sup>

<sup>†</sup>You may substitute the word "God"

<sup>‡</sup>You may substitute the words "Creator, Word, and Holy Ghost!"

### LITANY OF THANKSGIVING

This litany is based on Psalm 150 with comments of the congregation interspersed. These "I love it when we..." comments were gathered at the Music Thanksgiving Gathering on July 13. These comments represent some of the breadth of the hopes and dreams for a music ministry held by members of this congregation. The comments will be read by members of the congregation.

*Leader: Praise the LORD! Praise God in the sanctuary; praise God in the mighty firmament!*

*Member: I love it when we... Can interact with the music, not just listen*

*Member: I love it when we... Have opportunities for children to sing and lead worship in song*

*Member: I love it when we... Include "old standards" and sing with excitement*

*Member: I love it when we... Encourage people to try new things*

*Member: I love it when we... Sing a chorus of the hymn a capella*

*Member: I love it when we... Have musicians who play instruments*

*People: Praise the Lord!*

*Leader: Praise God for God's mighty deeds; praise God according to God's surpassing greatness!*

*Member: I love it when we... Have a Gospel choir*

*Member: I love it when we... Have a variety of choirs requiring varying levels of time commitment*

*Member: I love it when we... Experience the freshness of bringing in music from other countries*

*Member: I love it when we...Don't all have to be perfect or "professional grade"*

*Member: I love it when we...Have instrumentalists and choral music*

*Member: I love it when we...Have the combination of piano and organ*

People: Praise the Lord!

*Leader: Praise God with trumpet sound; praise God with lute and harp!*

*Member: I love it when we...Open our sanctuary for a wide variety of musical and other arts groups*

*Member: I love it when we...Have the Trinity Choir sing*

*Member: I love it when we...Enjoy a mix of well known hymns and new songs*

*Member: I love it when we...Use inclusive language*

*Member: I love it when we...Can applaud in church*

*Member: I love it when we...Have the harmonizing trios, they rock*

People: Praise the Lord!

*Leader: Praise God with tambourine and dance; praise God with strings and pipe!*

*Member: I love it when we...Have JS Bach organ works*

*Member: I love it when we...Utilize home grown musicians*

*Member: I love it when we...Have a postlude that is so engaging that people stay in their seats*

*Member: I love it when we...are led by the Bell choir*

*Member: I love it when we...Use classical formal music and traditional old hymns*

People: Praise the Lord!

*Leader: Praise God with clanging cymbals; praise God with loud clashing cymbals!*

*Member: I love it when we...Have lots of different styles*

*Member: I love it when we...When we do a great big piece such as the Faure Requiem; something to look forward to*

*Member: I love it when we...Have music and theme that are so connected*

*Member: I love it when we...Have performers who get into the music*

*Member: I love it when we...Hear organ being used*

*Member: I love it when we...Had the St. Louis Stompers. The church was really alive that day.*

*Leader: Let everything that breathes praise the LORD! Praise the LORD!*

People: Praise the Lord!

## **HYMN 264**

When in Our Music God is Glorified

## **WORDS OF SENDING & BLESSING**

### **CHORAL BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

*Grace and Peace be with you! 'Til we meet again*

*Grace and Peace be with you! Let God's Love Come In  
and shine through your spirit In all you say and do.*

*Grace and Peace be with you! God will see us through!*

Postlude

Fugue from Prelude and Fugue in C Major

Composer: J.S. Bach (1685-1750) BWV 553b

The second period of Ordinary Time begins following Pentecost and continues until Advent. The liturgical color of Ordinary Time is green, the color of life and growth.

**Liturgist** – Eleanor Carman, Anna Gardner-Andrews, the Rev. Julie March

**Peace Prayer** – the Rev. Jane Rand

**Preacher** – Dr. Dan Anderson-Little

**Organist** – Dr. Bill Wade, CAGO

**Choir Conductor** – Vicki Carmichael

**Choir** – Trinity Choir

August 24, 2008  
Gather for Worship – 10:20 a.m.  
Worship – 10:30 a.m.  
Fellowship – 11:30 a.m.

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# *Trinity Presbyterian Church*

## *News and Notes*

*We open our doors to all persons to join in worship, fellowship, educational programs, and service.*

*We welcome into membership all who profess faith in Jesus Christ without regard to gender, race, ethnic origin, worldly conditions, sexual orientation, disability, or any other human condition.*

*We elect and ordain persons who are called by God and committed to serving the Lord Jesus Christ in the Church.*

## **WELCOME TO TRINITY!**

If you are seeking a church home, we encourage you to consider becoming a member of Trinity Church. New member classes are held quarterly. Please speak with Dan Anderson-Little if you are interested.

### **CHILDREN IN WORSHIP**

Trinity Church welcomes children in its worship services. Nursery and childcare are provided downstairs for children pre-school and younger. Spiritual Growth Sunday School gathering for kids will begin at 9:30 on Sept. 14<sup>th</sup>.

**TRINITY KIDS**—remember to pick up your own worship bags in the back of the Church! And watch the bulletin for notes just for you and your family or Pew Buddy.

### **ADULT EDUCATION**

Our Adult Education series, “Rescuing Jesus” will begin on Sept. 14th at 9:30 in the Chapel. This 12-session DVD and discussion exploration of Jesus through the ages will explore our traditional beliefs about Jesus and move on to challenge or affirm us with some new ideas about Jesus. If you cannot attend all 12 sessions, please come when you can, as each session is self-contained.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**A CALL FOR USHERS:** Linda Min needs ushers for the Sundays in September. Please contact her if you can help (781-2150).

**SPIRITUAL GROWTH CLASSES** will start on Sunday, Sept. 14 for adults and children at 9:30 am. Watch the bulletin and newsletter for exciting information about programming for all ages.

**I WANT TO BUILD A HOUSE...** I want to help Mom get a home where she can raise her children, encourage them invite their friends to come and play, or work on school projects. I can do this, thanks to Trinity and Habitat for Humanity. We had our first build day at the home (two blocks east of Grand Boulevard and two north of Dr. Martin Luther King Drive) on Thursday, August 21. Consider signing up for our next day: Saturday, October 25, and on another Saturday in October to be determined later. Email Pat Gibbons at [pcg@wustl.edu](mailto:pcg@wustl.edu), or call him at 314-727-1471 (home) or 314-935-6271 (work) with any questions. And please keep all the staff and volunteers at Habitat in your prayers as this year's ambitious build goes on.

**MOUND RIDGE RESERVATIONS & PAYMENT ARE DUE:** Where can find George and Jean sitting by the campfire? Rick creating the largest pancake ever? A herd of kids of all ages hiking to the hidden tree house and discovering God's treasures together? (Without any encouragement from the adults I might add!) A lively discussion of church activities, politics, and opinions while relaxing in the quiet river? Where you can find a reflective group bridging all generations as they meditate around the candlelit labyrinth? Watch the rising sun as Dan reminds us of God and his beauty that is all around you? The surroundings are God's work with a little bit of modern convenience added by Man. Join us at Mound Ridge for the Annual Trinity Retreat September 5th-7th for a night or two! For reservations contact Traci O'Bryan at 725-4531 or [tlobryan@charter.net](mailto:tlobryan@charter.net) or sign up in the Narthex—registration forms were due last week, but hurry and Liz will still take them today! Payment is due as soon as possible, as well.

**NEXT INTERFAITH GATHERING:** We will gather for our fourth and final exploration: "Who is Jesus for us?" on Monday, Sept. 8 at 7pm in the Chapel. Come and bring friends as we explore our own faith in preparation for meaningful dialogue with those of other faiths. As always, this will be interactive, engaging and will include

**YOU'RE INVITED TO BE WILD WITH WORDS!** An exciting new small group begins at Trinity in mid-September, called Wild With Words. It is a spontaneous, interactive spiritual writing group where we will write, relinquish and remember, prompted by words, readings and Scripture to explore God's presence and action within our souls. NO writing experience is needed, and ALL are welcome. Are you interested? Call Julie March, Betty Burnett or Ann Fischer to find out more about Wild With Words

**WHAT DO WE THINK?** You got a taste of the breadth of our loves in our Litany of Thanksgiving this morning. The entire report of the Music Ministry Needs Assessment Dream Team is available in the Narthex.

**A CALL FOR BENCH BUDDIES:** Beginning this Fall, Bill will ask for youth volunteers (about 7 years and up) to serve as "Bench Buddies" with him at the organ during the Sunday morning service and on special programs. The Bench Buddy will assist the organist by turning pages, pressing pistons, pulling stops, and learning about the way the organ contributes to the fulfillment of worship. Begin thinking about someone you know that might enjoy this opportunity to learn more about the King of Instruments.

## **PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION**

*If you would like an addition to the prayer list or know of a member in need of prayer, please contact the church office.*

**Joys**

### **Prayers of Joy and Thanksgiving:**

- For the birth of Patrick Joseph O'Hara, Jane and Pat Gibbons' grandchild, on July 26 in California.
- For Linda Anderson-Little as she returns to work at St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Clayton following 8 months of treatment for breast cancer.
- For Leo and Lois Eason who are celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary.

### **Prayers for Those Preparing for Ministry:**

- For Rhonda Dunbar as she begins studies at the Presbyterian School of Christian Education in Richmond, VA.
- For Diane O'Brien as she pursues theological studies at Eden Theological Seminary.

### **Concerns**

#### **Prayers for Safety:**

- For Todd Mayberry, son of Karen and Darrell Mayberry, on assignment in Afghanistan.

#### **Prayers for Comfort:**

- For Sandy and Neil Norkaitis following the death of his sister, Carol Colbert, in New Jersey July 28

#### **Prayers for Healing:**

- For Polly Brown's daughter in Minneapolis, who is at home recovering from a serious illness.
- For Vicki Carmichael's brother, Warren, recovering from a bicep tear and infection.
- For Genny Richmond, who is evaluating treatments following a series of tests.
- For Mimi Jeske, Tom Wilhite's significant other, undergoing chemotherapy for abdominal cancer.
- For Chastity Brown, 31-year-old daughter of Diane O'Brien's friend Lerneice, in the hospital with Congestive Heart Failure.
- For Rhonda Dunbar's aunt Patricia who is dealing with multiple cancers.
- For Jasman Lutz's aunt Sheila Griffin who is in the final weeks of life after a long battle with cancer.
- For Deb Norgard, who is recovering from surgery on her jaw in April.
- For Dan Little, Dan Anderson-Little's father, being treated for brain cancer in Madison, WI.
- Christy Schindler's cousin Mark Mellinger, in Flower Mound, TX, receiving chemotherapy for lung cancer and experiencing many complications.
- Betty Gray, Diana's sister-in-law (brother's wife), whose lung cancer is progressing and who is recovering now from surgery.
- Virginia Bregitzer, former member of Trinity, struggling with the difficult effects of ALS.
- Marilyn Kuhn, counselor for Care & Counseling and good friend of Trinity Presbyterian Church, undergoing treatment for lymphoma.
- Ann Weems, having blood pressure problems.
- Don Weems, having back and eye concerns.
- Barbara Isaac, daughter of Janet Guenther, suffering with Alzheimer's Disease.
- The Pontious family (Elaine, Larry, Adam & Tati) as they help Adam have an abundant life in the midst of disabilities.
- Kim Merritt, dealing with multiple health issues.
- Barbara Robinson, who is in a coma following a stroke in October 2006.

#### **Prayers for Homebound Members:**

Helen Bauer	Myrtle Beckmeyer	Colleen Osborn	Jim Pettus
Mabel Howell	Juanita Bruns	Eleanor Griffin	Maxine Story
Evelyn Patterson			

## THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

### Monday, August 25

7:00 pm

Personnel meeting

### Tuesday, August 26

11:00 am

Presbyterian Women, Dining Room

7:00 pm

Evangelism meeting

### Wednesday, August 27

1:00 – 4:00 pm

Trinity Food Pantry

### Thursday, August 28

7:45 am – 4:30 pm

Habitat for Humanity Build Day

7:30 – 9:10 pm

Trinity Choir rehearsal, Choir room

### Friday, August 29

Office closed

## TRINITY STAFF

Dr. Daniel R. Anderson-Little, Pastor

The Rev. Julie March, Associate Pastor for Equipping

Vicki Carmichael, Interim Minister of Music—Choir Director

Dr. Bill Wade, CAGO, Interim Minister of Music—Organist

Elizabeth Nelson, Church Administrator

Linde Baechle, Financial Administrator

Birty Hodgson, Building & Grounds Caretaker

The Rev. Nancy Wagner, Parish Associate

Dr. Donald A. Weems, Pastor Emeritus

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