



Trinity Presbyterian Church

Celebrating the Diversity of All

November 9, 2008
Thirty-second Sunday of Ordinary Time

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PRELUDE Andante and Siciliano from Sonata in E minor for flute and continuo
Composer: attributed to Antonio Vivaldi (1678-1741)

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT Come, Christ Jesus
Words: Mary Jackson Cathey; Music: Cyril Vincent Taylor

*Come, Christ Jesus, flesh and spirit, sure foundation, cornerstone,
Help us form the church eternal, may Your vision be our own.
Send a message to each follower, lead all people to Your way;
Urge us to strong faith and action as we build the church today.*

CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 65

Leader: Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion; and to you shall vows be performed,

People: O you who answer prayer! To you all flesh shall come.

Leader: You visit the earth and water it, you greatly enrich it; the river of God is full of water; you provide the people with grain, for so you have prepared it.

People: You water its furrows abundantly, settling its ridges, softening it with showers, and blessing its growth.

Leader: You crown the year with your bounty; your wagon tracks overflow with richness.

People: The pastures of the wilderness overflow, the hills gird themselves with joy, the meadows clothe themselves with flocks, the valleys deck themselves with grain, they shout and sing together for joy.

HYMN 559 We Gather Together

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *UNISON*

Gracious God, when we cannot believe in your abundance, fill us with faith. When we accept scarcity—scarcity of your love, of your peace, of your resources—fill us with hope. When we cling tightly to resources rather than rejoice in generosity, fill us with love. Transform us into a people quick to give and forgive. Give us courage and faith that we may be a sharing community so that the bread of life may continue to fall in a wilderness of need. Amen

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE

Leader: God hears the confession of our hearts and lips. Through Jesus Christ we are forgiven all our sins, and by the Holy Spirit we are empowered for new life.

People: Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE UNISON

I'm so glad Je-sus lift-ed me, I'm so glad Je-sus lift-ed me,
I'm so glad Je-sus lift-ed me, sing-ing glo-ry hal-le-lu-jah, Je-sus lift-ed me!

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.

"THE BEST IS YET TO COME" – Reflection on the Stewardship Campaign

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

ANTHEM

My God is a Rock

Traditional Spiritual arr. by Alice Parker and Robert Shaw

(Refrain) My God is a rock in a weary land, shelter in a time of storm.

I know He is a rock in a weary land, shelter in a time of storm.

Stop 'n' let me tell you 'bout de Chapter One, when de Lord God's work was jes' begun,

Stop 'n' let me tell you 'bout de Chapter Two, when de Lord God's written His Bible through.

Stop 'n' let me tell you 'bout de Chapter Three, when de Lord God died on Calvary! (Refrain)

Stop 'n' let me tell you 'bout de Chapter Four, when de Lord God visit among de poor,

Stop 'n' let me tell you 'bout de Chapter Five, when de Lord God brought de dead alive,

Stop 'n' let me tell you 'bout de Chapter Six, He went in Jerusalem an' healed de sick. (Refrain)

Stop 'n' let me tell you 'bout de Chapter Seven, died and risen an' went to Heaven,

Stop 'n' let me tell you 'bout de Chapter Eight, John seen Him standin' at de Golden Gate.

Stop 'n' let me tell you 'bout de Chapter Nine, Lord God turned de water to wine,

Stop 'n' let me tell you 'bout de Chapter Ten, John says He's comin' in de world again

O my Lord, O my Jesus, an' I know He is a rock in a weary land, an' a shelter in a time of storm.

SCRIPTURE READING

John 6:1-14 (New Testament, page 97)

SERMON

Those who are able are invited to stand.

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

All Who Hunger (*for tune, see hymn 268*)

1. All who hunger, gather gladly; holy manna is our bread.

Come from wilderness and wandering. Here, in truth, we will be fed.

You that yearn for days of fullness, all around us is our food.

Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.

2. All who hunger, never strangers; seeker, be a welcome guest.
Come from restlessness and roaming. Here, in joy, we keep the feast.
We that once were lost and scattered in communion's love have stood.
Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.
3. All who hunger, sing together; Jesus Christ is living bread.
Come from loneliness and longing. Here, in peace, we have been led.
Blest are those who from this table live their lives in gratitude.
Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.

Those who have been standing may sit.

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.

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

Aria for violin and continuo
Composer: Johann Jakob Walther (c. 1650-1717)

Those who are able are invited to stand.

SONG OF PRAISE UNISON

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

[†]*You may substitute the word "God"*

[‡]*You may substitute the words "Creator, Word, and Holy Ghost!"*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

HYMN 411

Arise, Your Light Has Come

WORDS OF SENDING & BLESSING

BENEDICTION RESPONSE

Sent Out in Jesus' Name

*Words: Anon., Trans. by Jorge Maldonado;**Music: Traditional Cuban; arr. by Carmen Pefia*

Sent out in Je-sus' name, Our hands are rea-dy now to
 3 make the earth the place in which the king-dom comes. Sent comes. The
 10 an-gels can-not change a world of hurt and pain in-to a world of
 13 love of jus-tice and of peace. The task is ours to do, to
 20 set it tru-ly free. O help us to o-bey and car-ry out your will.

POSTLUDE

Allegro and Arioso from Sonata in E minor for flute and continuo

Composer: Antonio Vivaldi (1678-1741)

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 – Liz Nelson, Dr. Dan Anderson-Little

Preacher – Elder John Pfeifer. John has served on the Session and the Corporate Affairs Commission for the past three years. This year he is chairing the Stewardship Campaign.

Organist – Dr. Bill Wade, CAGO

Choir Director – Vicki Carmichael

Choir – Trinity Choir

Guest Musicians – Southeast Baroque Ensemble

Brandon Christensen, baroque violin

Paul Thompson, baroque flute

Jeffrey Noonan, theorbo

November 9, 2008
Spiritual Growth – 9:30 a.m.
Gather for Worship – 10:20 a.m.
Worship – 10:30 a.m.
Fellowship – 11:30 a.m.



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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. New member classes occur 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. And, Trinity kids, remember to pick up your own worship bags in the back of the Church! Spiritual growth classes for kids are held at 9:30 am Sunday mornings.

TODAY AT TRINITY

THE RECORDER GROUP will practice in the Narthex Room at 8:45 am this morning.

THE WILD WITH WORDS writing group will meet tonight in the Chapel from 6:30-8:30 pm. Betty Burnett and Ann Fischer will be leading the group. All are welcome!

THE SOUTHEAST BAROQUE ENSEMBLE, guest artists of St. Louis Baroque, will perform a free concert in the sanctuary at 3pm, playing music by Telemann, Vivaldi and Walther.

ADULT EDUCATION

OUR ADULT EDUCATION SERIES, "SAVING JESUS," continues this morning at 9:30 am in the Chapel. This 12-session DVD and discussion of Jesus through the ages will explore our traditional beliefs about Jesus and move on to challenge or affirm us with some new ideas. The program contains contributions from the great religious thinkers of our time and will be moderated by Rick Hasler and Larry Pontious. If you cannot attend all 12 sessions, please come when you can, as each session is self-contained. Upcoming topics:

- *Today: Jesus' Life: Model for discipleship*
- *Nov. 16: Killing Jesus, Part 1: Who Killed Jesus?*
- *Nov. 23: Killing Jesus, Part 2: The Atonement*
- *Nov. 30: The Resurrection of Christ*
- *Dec. 7: Why Jesus is Worth Saving*



You can also check the DVD series out of the office to view on your own...

ANNOUNCEMENTS

REV. JULIE MARCH is away on vacation this week.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING NEXT SUNDAY: We will hold a short congregational meeting immediately following worship next Sunday, Nov. 16th to elect new officers and to give concurrence to the Session's recommendation of 6 weeks of leave time for Dr. Dan Anderson-Little. Please plan to attend.

LOOKING FOR SHORT-TERM WAYS TO GET INVOLVED? HERE ARE THREE MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES:

- 1) IMMEDIATE BAGGING NEED:** The food pantry is in need of baggers for the month of November. We had a record number of clients this Wednesday - 37 by 2:30. The need for food is great, so that means we need lots of food bagged. We are anticipating large numbers the rest of the month but especially on Wednesday, November 19 when we hand out the turkeys. If you can bag once, twice or every week in November, please let Stacey Carman know as soon as possible (314-567-4150 or carmans@swbell.net).
- 2) PERIODIC TREATS:** Want to do a simple thing for our church with huge reward? Why not think about taking a week now and then to provide the fellowship treats that we and our families all enjoy after worship? It's so simple. Something that kids enjoy helping with too as well as significant others. Quinn has a lot of fun helping me pick things out at the store then helping arrange them on trays in the church kitchen. Reimbursement is simple too. Just give Liz your receipts for items bought and you will be quickly reimbursed. The weeks that we could use some help for this month are, Nov. 16th, and Nov. 30th. December is wide open. Have a fun idea for the Christmas season? Let us know. If you'd like to give this simple ministry a try please contact Cheryl Evans, Dave Nelson or Jim Person. Thanks!
- 3) A HANGING OF THE GREENS** coordinator is needed. Do a couple of you feel called to help organize our decoration of the sanctuary and exterior for Christmas? We have set aside Sunday, December 7th as the day. Worker bees are already working on touching up the wreaths and no new decorations need to be made this year—we just need hands to hang items and set up our artificial trees. Please contact Liz (725-3840) for tips—no need to reinvent the wheel.

IT IS TIME TO BRING IN YOUR WRAPPED ADVENT GIFTS, unless you are donating stamps. There will be a box in the Narthex and also one in the office. Please label your gifts with your name and the contents on the gifts. We need all wrapped gifts **by TODAY**. The bags will be distributed on Nov. 16. Thanks so much. Any questions, please call Sandy Norkaitis, 863-7699.

WE NEED TURKEYS! As in years past, the Winger Food Pantry will be handing out turkeys to our clients on Wednesday, November 19 just in time for the Thanksgiving holiday. Last year we handed out over 60 turkeys and, with the economy in the state it is in, we expect the need to be even greater this year. If you would like to make a donation to the turkey give-away, please send a check or cash, earmarked for the turkeys, to the church or place it in the offering plate **by TODAY**. You can also purchase a turkey and deliver it to the church by Sunday, November 16. If you plan on purchasing a turkey, please let Stacey know so she can add it to the turkey count. If purchasing a turkey, please remember, **smaller is better**. Many of our clients walk to and from the pantry and they have a difficult time lugging a large bird home. Many thanks in advance for your support of the food pantry. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Stacey Carman at 314-567-4150 or carmans@swbell.net.

WHO KNEW OF BIRTY'S SKILL? Did you know Birty makes hammocks? He wants to teach kids (and adults!) this simple skill and invites you to find him Sundays after worship in the Dining Room to help complete the one he has started. Come check it out! Maybe we can sell them at the Alternative Gift Market...

THE KINGSBURY ENSEMBLE will present a program of baroque favorites in the Sanctuary on Saturday, Nov. 15th at 8pm. The concert is \$10 and will feature works by Bach and Handel.

A SEASON FOR MARY – A TIME FOR WOMEN: Plan to attend the 5th annual Women's Advent Retreat, scheduled for December 5-7 at Mound Ridge Camp and Retreat Center. Sponsored by Giddings-Lovejoy Presbytery, this year's retreat theme is A Season for Mary, led by Rev. Julie March. There will be short, guided sessions planned around the theme, and you will also have time to spend alone in quiet, fellowship with other women, read or walk in the woods. Contact Julie March (314-825-3550), Cindy Corley at the Presbytery office (314-772-2395, ext.100) or Christy Foster, Director of Mound Ridge Camp, (cfoster@glpby.org, 573-265-3098).

THE LEE INSTITUTE SPEAKER SERIES at Ladue Chapel (9450 Clayton Rd, 63124; 993-4771) presents "The Faith Club," an address by the authors of the 2006 book of the same name. Come hear three mothers, a Muslim, a Christian and a Jew talk about the process of writing a children's book together to answer their children's questions about God, faith and individual religions and the interfaith friendships that developed. The program is Monday, Nov. 10th at 7:30 pm and is free and open to the public.

COME TO THE GALLERY to see pictures and artwork from Trinity's recent Mound Ridge retreat and World Communion Sunday.

DO YOU LONG TO SING OUT on the hymns in church but worry that you won't sound good? Talk to Vicki Carmichael about the beginning Sight-Singing Class that runs through December 18: vcarmichael44@gmail.com or call the church office at 314-725-3840.

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 wedding of Debbie Henry's son, Scott Kenkel, to Kelly Kubasta on November 1.
- For the addition at Trinity of Dawn Fleishman as our new Minister of Spiritual Growth. She began her ministry at Trinity on Oct. 27.

Concerns

Prayers for Comfort:

- For the family of Christine Wang, sister-in-law of Bill and Kathie Cahoon, who died on October 28, 2008.
- For the family and friends of Sgt. Michael King, University City police officer who was killed in the line of duty on October 31, 2008.

Prayers for Healing:

- For Carol Rustemeyer recovering from surgery on her hand to repair a ruptured tendon.
- For Lana Edwards, friend of Cathy Smith, experiencing heart trouble & possibly having a pacemaker implanted
- For Jake Jones, 17 yr old nephew of Sue Young, who is recovering from reconstructive surgery on October 27.
- For Curt March who is suffering with shingles.
- For four-year-old Ambar Suero Petion from the Dominican Republic, whom the Trotter-Edmonds family is fostering while she receives medical care here for 6-8 weeks. She underwent open heart surgery at Cardinal Glennon on Oct. 13.
- For Diane O'Brien recovering at home from an appendectomy and an abdominal infection.

- For Bill Hedrick, former pastor of Second Presbyterian Church in St. Louis who has been diagnosed with myelofibrosis, a bone marrow disorder.
- For Barbara Isaac, daughter of Janet Guenther, and her family as Barbara moves into a nursing home to care for her Alzheimer's Disease.
- For Karon Bilbrey's niece, Lisa Becker who is dealing with thyroid cancer.
- For former members Bill and Joyce Brackman, as Bill begins treatment for brain cancer in California.
- For Lynn Reid's grandfather in Iowa who is in poor health.
- For Betty Gray, Diana's sister-in-law (brother's wife), whose lung cancer has progressed and is in the last stages of her life.
- For Mimi Jeske, Tom Wilhite's significant other, undergoing treatment for ovarian cancer.
- For Dan Little, Dan Anderson-Little's father, being treated for brain cancer in Madison, WI.
- For Christy Schindler's cousin Mark Mellinger, in Flower Mound, TX, receiving chemotherapy for lung cancer and experiencing many complications.
- 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.
- 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
Mabel Howell
Evelyn Patterson

Myrtle Beckmeyer
Juanita Bruns

Colleen Osborn
Eleanor Griffin

Jim Pettus
Maxine Story

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

Monday, November 10

1:00 pm

Genesis House Bible study, Youth Lounge

Tuesday, November 11

11:00 am

Presbyterian Women, Dining Room

Wednesday, November 12

1:00 – 4:00 pm

Trinity Food Pantry

6:30 pm

Handbell Choir rehearsal

Thursday, November 13

7:15 pm

Trinity Choir rehearsal, Choir room

Friday, November 14

Office closed

Saturday, November 13

1:00-4:00 pm

Dark Lights: Coping with the Holidays retreat

Sunday, November 2

8:45 am

Recorder group rehearsal, Narthex Room

12:00 – 2:00 pm

Dark Lights: Coping with the Holidays retreat, day 2

8:00 pm

Kingsbury Ensemble Concert, Sanctuary, \$10

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

Dawn Fleishman, Minister of Spiritual Growth

Elizabeth Nelson, Church Administrator

Linde Baechle, Financial Administrator

Birby Hodgson, Building & Grounds Caretaker

The Rev. Nancy Wagner, Parish Associate

Dr. Donald A. Weems, Pastor Emeritus

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