



# Trinity Presbyterian Church

Celebrating the Diversity of All

July 19, 2009  
Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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## PRELUDE

## GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CALL TO WORSHIP *from Psalm 61*

*Leader: Hear my cry, O God; listen to my prayer.*

People: From the end of the earth I call to you, when my heart is faint.

*Leader: Lead me to the rock that is higher than I; for you are my refuge, a strong tower against the enemy.*

People: Let me abide in your tent forever, find refuge under the shelter of your wings.

*Leader: For you, O God, have heard my vows; you have given me the heritage of those who fear your name.*

People: So I will always sing praises to your name, as I pay my vows day after day.

## HYMN 260                      A Mighty Fortress is Our God

## CALL TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION *UNISON*

Gracious God,  
our sins are too heavy to carry,  
too real to hide,  
and too deep to undo.  
Forgive what our lips tremble to name,  
what our hearts can no longer bear,  
and what has become for us  
a consuming fire of judgment.  
Set us free from a past that we cannot change;  
open to us a future in which we can be changed;  
and grant us grace  
to grow more and more in your likeness and image;  
through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.

## SILENT CONFESSION

### ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE

*Leader: Hear the good news! Who is in a position to condemn?*

People: Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us.

*Leader: Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.*

People: Amen.

**SONG OF PRAISE**     **Hymn 333**     Seek Ye First, vs. 1 (Tune: LAFFERTY)

**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**

**SCRIPTURE READING**     Ephesians 3:14-21 (New Testament, page 193)

**ANTHEM**     Just a Closer Walk with Thee  
*Music: arranged by Richard Walters*

*I am weak but Thou are strong, Jesus, keep me from all wrong.  
I'll be satisfied as long as I walk, dear Lord, close to Thee.*

*Just a closer walk with Thee, Grant it Jesus is my plea,  
Daily walking close to Thee, let it be, dear Lord, let it be.*

*Through this world of toil and snares, if I falter, Lord, who cares?  
Who with me my burden shares? None but Thee, dear Lord, none but Thee.*

*Just a closer walk with Thee, Grant it Jesus is my plea,  
Daily walking close to Thee, let it be, dear Lord, let it be.*

*Daily walking close to Thee, let it be, dear Lord, let it be.*

**SERMON**     The Power of Prayer

*Those who are able are invited to stand.*

**RESPONSE TO THE WORD – HYMN 361**     How Firm a Foundation

*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**

*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!”*

#### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**HYMN 354** Guide My Feet

#### WORDS OF SENDING & BLESSING

**POSTLUDE** All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name (*Tune: DIADEM*)  
*Composer: James Ellor, Arranged by Jeff Bennett*

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** – Bonnie Roy, the Rev. Julie March

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

**Organist** – Dr. Bill Wade, CAGO

**Soloist** – Stephanie Ball, soprano

**Instrumentalists** – Tom Sitzler, piano; Wayne Coniglio and Elsie Parker. Wayne and Elsie are members of the Crusell Quartet and have recorded their latest CD in Trinity’s sanctuary.

### THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

**Monday, July 20**

7 pm

The Commons Planning Team, Person/O’Brien home

**Tuesday, June 21**

11:00 am

Presbyterian Women, Dining Room

**Wednesday, June 22**

11:30 -12:30

1-4:00 pm

Pilates class, Chapel (contact Stacey Carman to join)

Food Pantry

**Saturday, June 25**

5:00 pm

The Commons@The Loop service, Dining Rm.

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## My Trinity Social Calendar

(detach and keep with you!)

- Sunday through Thursday, July 26<sup>th</sup> through July 29<sup>th</sup> –Simplicity intergenerational evenings at First Presbyterian Church
- Sunday, August 16<sup>th</sup>—Heman Park church picnic
- Friday through Sunday, August 28-30—Mound Ridge All-Church Retreat

## 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 Lance Leloup, step-dad of Jenn Clodi & Becca Courtney, in full remission from stage 4 lung cancer!
- For the birth of Zachary Alexander Gose, grandchild of Ann and Keith Fischer, born on July 2.
- For the positive recovery of Liz Pisano, niece of Cathy and Bill Smith, after surgery at Barnes Hospital on June 30.

### Concerns

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

- For Jeff Clodi's grandfather, Lloyd Cato, in hospice care after two large strokes. Prayers for comfort for the family and prayers that he not suffer.
- For Anna Gordon, and Cricket and Brian Gordon. Anna's sheltered living housemate, Paula, died very suddenly and unexpectedly last week.

#### **Prayers for New Beginnings:**

- For all Trinity members struggling with economic and employment concerns.

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

- For Lorie Damon, recovering from fibroid surgery on July 16th.
- For Colleen Osborn, Trinity member who lives in Omaha, NE, whose multiple health conditions continue, especially related to a stomach mass. She remains in the hospital.
- For Rose Ann Bodman, healing from knee replacement surgery at Surrey Place.
- For Jim Pettus, who is recuperating after 2 falls.
- For Cricket Gordon's best friend Jean Dausch who has just been diagnosed with ALS.
- For Genny Richmond's nephew, Steve Warren, recovering at home from a serious infection and her niece, Pat Warren, starting chemo in Atlanta prior to partial lung cancer removal.
- For Art Platt's brother, Rev. Louis Platt (pastor of Westside Seattle Presbyterian Church), recently diagnosed with prostate and lung cancer.
- For Katy Gordon, daughter of Cricket and Brian Gordon, who is being treated for cysts on her liver.
- For Roberta McBride's neighbor, Lorraine McGhee, who is dealing with multiple health problems.
- For Harold Glad and Jan Schulte-Glad as they continue to gather information about Harold's Early Stage Alzheimer's.
- For Bob Reynolds, significant other of Janet Guenther, in a nursing home after a stroke on April 14.
- For Suzanne Trahan, friend of Traci O'Bryan, who has been diagnosed with breast cancer and begins treatment this week; and for Suzanne's father John Foushee who is undergoing treatment for esophageal cancer.
- For Dick Berg, a former member of Trinity, who is recovering from a stroke in North Carolina.
- For Fred Gould, Stacy Shupe's uncle, diagnosed with an aggressive rectal cancer that has spread to his liver.
- For Anna Gordon, as Cricket & Brian continue to work on her care issues.
- For Susan Lim as she receives treatment for breast cancer.
- For Jon Billings, Vicki Carmichael's sister-in-law's brother, who has been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer.
- For Dianne Anderson, mother-in-law of Dan Anderson-Little, who is dealing with liver disease.
- For Susan Harris & her young family, close friend of Cheryl & Reed Evans, being treated for a sinus/brain tumor.
- For Bill Hedrick, former pastor of Second Presbyterian Church in St. Louis who has been diagnosed with myelofibrosis, a bone marrow disorder.
- For Lisa Becker, Karon Bilbrey's niece, who is dealing with thyroid cancer.
- For Trinity's Pastor Emeritus Don Weems, receiving treatment for prostate cancer; and for Ann Weems, being treated for kidney disease.
- For Mark Mellinger, Christy Schindler's cousin in Flower Mound, TX, receiving chemotherapy for lung cancer.
- For Lydia Eckwald, Vicki Carmichael's grandma, in hospice care.
- For Dan Little, Dan Anderson-Little's father, receiving hospice care for brain cancer in Madison, WI.
- For the Pontious family as they help Adam have an abundant life in the midst of disabilities.
- For Kim Merritt, dealing with multiple health issues.
- For Barbara Robinson, who is in a coma following a stroke.

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

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| • Helen Bauer  | • Myrtle Beckmeyer | • Juanita Bruns | • Eleanor Griffin |
| • Mabel Howell | • Evelyn Patterson | • Maxine Story  |                   |



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News and Notes for July 19, 2009

*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 speak with the pastors. Information about our schedule can be found in the welcome brochure in the pews. We welcome children in worship, with childcare provided downstairs for children pre-school and younger if wanted. Spiritual growth classes for children are held at 9:30 am, fall through spring. We also hold a less formal worship service called *The Commons@The Loop* in the Dining Room on Saturdays at 5pm. All ages are invited to attend.

## ADULT EDUCATION

A 4-evening intergenerational event with **First Presbyterian Church** on the theme of "Simplicity" will be held July 26-29.

**PLEASE SIGN UP IN THE NARTHEX.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**TWO OPPORTUNITIES FOR JOINT WORSHIP WITH FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH ARE COMING UP.** As bookends to our joint intergenerational "Simplicity" event (see insert), we will have the chance to get to know their congregation members better as they join us for worship on July 26th (the starting date of the event) and we will join them for worship at First Presbyterian on August 2nd. There will be no worship held at Trinity that morning. Their service starts at 10:30am.

**PICNIC DATE SET:** We will hold a potluck picnic at Heman Park on August 16th after worship). Stay tuned for details! Want to help? Please talk to Elaine Pontious.

**FRESH BASIL:** The basil planted at the first Commons@ the Loop service is now plentiful. Please take some for your own use. The flower bed is behind the Trinity sign on the corner.

**CONFIRMATION YOUTH ARE IN CYBERSPACE!** Check out the site dawn created for our confirmation kids, full of information for them and their parents. It's also a great way to see what they will be up to this upcoming year: [www.trinityyouthonline.com](http://www.trinityyouthonline.com)

**T'AI CHI COMING IN OCTOBER:** OASIS (the older adult program) will offer two 5-week T'ai Chi class sessions here starting October 6th on Tuesdays from 9-10am. Trinity members of any age are invited to join, \$32 per session.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR MOUND RIDGE.** We will hold an all-church retreat the weekend of **August 28-30**. This is a time of fun and fellowship for all ages, for families and individuals. Sign ups start next Sunday. The cost structure from the camp is slightly different, but should mirror prior years pretty closely. Please share any ideas you have for events or offerings that will make the weekend meaningful. Questions: Talk with Traci O'Bryan.

**THE OFFICE IS READY TO PLACE ANOTHER T-SHIRT ORDER.** Did you miss out on round one? Did we run out of your size (we still have numerous youth sizes). Share your church connection with others as you shop, jog, or roam the city. \$9.

**INTERFAITH PARTNERSHIP OF METROPOLITAN ST. LOUIS** and its sister program, Faith Beyond Walls, needs more individual members (Trinity is a congregational member) to help fund its programs of education and neighborhood outreach. See Liz for more information.

**LOOK FOR THE NETWORKING NOOK** in the newsletter and on the Equipping board by the elevator. Find information on members advertising services or job hunting, as well as those who know of job openings. Let's help each other!

**EAGLE PROJECT NEEDED:** Member JB Higginbotham is looking for an Eagle Project, preferably a project that would include building something for a non-profit agency. Call: [jbhiggin@gmail.com](mailto:jbhiggin@gmail.com) OR [jhigginbotham4@yahoo.com](mailto:jhigginbotham4@yahoo.com); Phone: 692-7830.

**COME CHECK OUT** *The Commons@The Loop* service in the CHAPEL on Saturdays at 5pm.