



# Trinity Presbyterian Church

Celebrating the Diversity of All

October 4, 2009

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time  
World Communion Sunday

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## PRELUDE

Meditation on "Thee Will I Love, My Strength, My Tower"

*Composer: Words: Johann Scheffler, 1657. Music: Harmonischer Liederschaft, 1738*

## GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### INTROIT

Siyahamba (We Are Marching in the Light of God)

*Traditional South African folk song arranged by Anders Nyberg*

*We are marching in the light of God.*

*We are singing in the light of God.*

*We are marching in the light of God.*

### CALL TO WORSHIP from Isaiah 2

*Leader: In days to come the mountain of the LORD's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. Many peoples shall come and say,*

*People: "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths."*

*Leader: For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.*

*People: God shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.*

*Leader: O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the LORD!*

### HYMN 430

Come Sing, O Church, in Joy

### 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.*

### SONG OF PRAISE UNISON (Music can be found at Hymn 368)

I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river,

I've got peace like a river in-a my soul.

I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river,

I've got peace like a river in-a my soul.

### 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.*

## CALL TO MISSION – CROP Walk

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**SCRIPTURE READING** I Peter 2:4-10 (New Testament, page 233)

**ANTHEM** 'Tis a Gift to Be Simple  
*Music: 19th Century Shaker Tune arranged for Bell Tree Solo by Barbara Brocker*

**SCRIPTURE READING** I Thessalonians 1:4-8 (New Testament, page 203)

**SERMON** Bell Tower

*Those who are able are invited to stand.*

**RESPONSE TO THE WORD – HYMN 472** Cantad al Senor (*you are invited to sing the hymn in Spanish*)

*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 STEWARDSHIP

### CALL TO OFFERING

#### OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS & PEACEMAKING OFFERING

*Each year, Trinity collects the Peacemaking Offering. This offering is used for projects that promote peace both locally and around the world. Please give generously. 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

View Me, Lord

*words by Thomas Campion, music by Richard H. Lloyd*

*View me, Lord, a work of thine:  
Shall I then lie drown'd in night?  
Might thy grace in me but shine,  
I should seem made all of light.*

*Cleanse me, Lord, that I may kneel  
At Thine altar, pure and white;  
They that once thy mercies feel,  
Gaze no more on earth's delight.*

*Those who are able are invited to stand.*

*Worldly joys, like shadows, fade  
When the heavn'ly light appears;  
But the covenants thou hast made,  
Endless, know nor days, nor years.*

*In thy word, Lord, is my trust,  
To they mercies fast I fly;  
Though I am but clay and dust,  
Yet thy grace can lift me high.*

#### 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

### SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

## INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

### THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*Leader: The Lord be with you.*

*People: And also with you.*

*Leader: Lift up your hearts.*

*People: We lift them up to the Lord.*

*Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*

*People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.*

*Leader: We give you thanks, O God, through your beloved Servant, Jesus Christ, he whom you sent to save us and redeem us, and be the messenger of your will.*

*People: He is your Word, inseparable from you, through whom you made all things and in whom you take delight.*

*Leader: We praise you, O Lord, for how you sent him from heaven to earth where he took flesh.*

*People: Born of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin, he was revealed to us as your Son.*

*Leader: Jesus walked among the people, healing the sick, tending the brokenhearted and teaching others the kingdom of God.*

*People: He also taught us to liberate the oppressed, stand up for those who face injustice, and live in the ways of peace.*

*Leader: We thank you for how, in fulfillment of your will, he stretched out his hands in suffering to release from suffering those who place their hope in you.*

*People: In doing so he won for you a holy people.*

*Leader: We recall, O God, how of his own free choice Jesus was handed over to his passion in order to make an end of death, to trample underfoot the power of evil, and usher in your Kingdom of justice and peace.*

### SANCTUS

San - to, san - to, san - to, mi cor - a - zon te a - dor - a! Mi  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - dores you! My  
cor - a - zon te sa - be de - cir: san - to - e - res Se - ñor.  
heart is glad to say the words: you are ho - ly, Lord.

### THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

*Leader: So it is as we gather in praise and thanksgiving at this time, we remember how on the night before his passion he took bread and gave you thanks, saying: "Take and eat; this is my body which will be broken for you." We recall as well how, in the same way, when the meal was over, he took the cup, and gave it to his disciples, saying: "This is my blood, which will be shed for you. When you do this, you do it in memory of me."*

*People: Merciful and Compassionate One, as we have been commanded, and remembering the death and the resurrection of your Son, we offer you this bread and this cup, thankful that you have counted us worthy to serve you.*

### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD & THE SHARING OF THE CUP

*This morning our celebration of communion interweaves the two themes of our worship service: World Communion Sunday and Trinity's mission that rings out in the world. Weather permitting, we will have communion out in the world. And the bread we will eat is a simple flatbread—bread for the journey. Starting from the back of the Sanctuary, you are invited to follow the choir out the center aisle to the communion table outside. There, take a piece of tortilla and dip it in the chalice. Please find a place to stand on the steps or the sidewalk as others are served. Please bring your bulletin with you. Ushers are available to help worshipers who need assistance—there are chairs on the top landing for those who do not wish to negotiate the stairs. In case of rain, instructions will be given verbally.*

## MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

*Please join the choir after you have been served. We will repeat the hymn until everyone has been served.*

Let us break bread together on our knees  
Let us break bread together on our knees  
When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun,  
O Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us drink wine together on our knees  
Let us drink wine together on our knees  
When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun,  
O Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us praise God together on our knees  
Let us praise God together on our knees  
When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun,  
O Lord, have mercy on me.

## CLOSING PRAYER

Holy God, thank you for this meal shared in the Spirit with your Son, Jesus Christ. As we are now fed with the bread of life and cup of salvation, empower us through the Holy Spirit to do your will. Strengthen us to work for bringing justice and peace into a hurting and broken world. May we be your living presence for others to see. We ask for these and other blessings in the name of Jesus the Christ. Amen.

## HYMN

Siyahamba (We Are Marching in the Light of God)

We are marching in the light of God, We are marching in the light of God. (repeat)

We are marching, oh! We are marching in the light of God. (repeat)

## WORDS OF SENDING & BLESSING

### INVITATION TO ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

*As environmental stewards of this earth, we have to opportunity to do our part by recycling our worship papers. After worship, please dispose of your bulletin in the blue or green recycling containers.*

## POSTLUDE

The Bell Tower

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.

**Flowers** – The flowers in the chancel today are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the marriage of Al Ng and Linda Li here in the sanctuary on Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**Liturgist** – Jacob Anderson-Little, Carrie Muegge

**Peace Prayer** – Jane Rand

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

**Organist** – Dr. Bill Wade, CAGO

**Choir Director** – Vicki Carmichael

**Choir** – Trinity Choir

**Pianist** – Tom Sitzler

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News and Notes for October 4, 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 about our membership classes. 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 age and younger, if wanted. Spiritual growth classes for children and adults are held at 9:30 am. Our 'uncommon' worship service, *The Commons@The Loop*, is held on Saturdays at 5pm in the Chapel.

## TODAY AT TRINITY

**THE PEACEMAKING OFFERING WILL BE COLLECTED THIS MORNING.** We use 25% of the Offering for local peacemaking ministries, 25% goes to presbyteries and synods, and 50% is used by the General Assembly ministries through the Presbyterian Peacemaking Program. Please prayerfully consider a donation.

**A B&B (BONDING & BRIDGING) SMALL GROUP FOR 3RD-6TH GRADERS** is starting today after worship, run by Vicki Carmichael and Karen Coletti. Kids should bring a snack and get ready for creating art, stories and music, playing games together, doing a mission project, and making friends. The group will meet the first 3 weeks of each month.

**CONFIRMATION STUDENTS** head to Six Flags today at 11:45am (immediately following Worship). Plan to have a parent pick you up at the church at 8:30pm.

## ADULT EDUCATION

**TODAY (FINAL SESSION): STEWARDSHIP AS TRINITY'S FOUNDATION, SANCTUARY, AND BELL TOWER.** Join the Stewardship Committee as we discuss the importance of Stewardship in our personal lives & the life of Trinity. This fun, discussion-based class will be a forum to discuss our feelings about church giving, and the ways our lives can be enriched by generosity. Come explore the discipleship of stewardship: thoughtful discussion, laughs, and even games with "prizes."

**THE NEXT SERIES (10/11/09 – 11/8/09)** is a 5-session session DVD study featuring theologian Walter Brueggemann: Countering Pharaoh's Production-Consumption Society Today. Session One: The Way Out, Session Two: The Decalogue, Session Three: Countering Caesar, Session Four: An Act of Imagination, Session Five: On Not Doing God Any Favors.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**SAVE THE DATE:** Next Sunday, October 11<sup>th</sup>, will be Trinity's "Invite a Friend Sunday." Invitations are in the Narthex.

**ANOTHER REASON TO SAVE THAT DATE:** We just found out that the award-winning **Winneba Youth Choir of Ghana** will offer a free concert at Trinity the evening of Sunday, October 11<sup>th</sup> (invite your friends to return in the evening!). Stay tuned for details, including the opportunity to host one of the singers (ages 15-24, both genders).

**SIGN UP IN THE NARTHEX TO DELIVER ADVENT BAGS** or buy items for the bags for our shut-ins.

**TEACHER ANNA MOFFATT GARDNER-ANDREWS** works in the St. Louis public schools and needs our help purchasing or donating 22 pencil pouches for her students who cannot afford them. Can you help? Anna: [agardnerandrews@yahoo.com](mailto:agardnerandrews@yahoo.com)

**TWO EVENTS FOR OLDER ADULTS:** Join the Trinity Retirees for a drive to see the fall colors and have lunch together on Thursday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>. The group will leave from church at 10am and will eat lunch in Waterloo, IL. Details: Ask Genny Richmond. Also, the Presbyterian Women will hold a friendship salad lunch on Tuesday, October 6<sup>th</sup> in the Dining Room at 11:30 am. Bring a salad to share for a time of fellowship.

**A PARENT GROUP IS FORMING,** starting Sunday, October 18<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am in room 206. Dan will coordinate a weekly gathering at spiritual formation time for parents who would like a place to talk and share. Speak with Dan for more information and join us—it'll be even better than heading to Bread Co. for coffee!

PLEASE WEAR YOUR NAME TAGS in worship & let the office know if you need a new one. Kids now have name tags, too.

## 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 marriage of Al Ng and Linda Li on Oct. 3 at Trinity. Al is a longtime member of Trinity.
- For the upcoming marriage of Jeff Roman and Leah Horn on October 11 in Boston, MA. Jeff is the son of John and Joanne Roman.
- For the marriage of Meena Philips and Stephen Hoffman Sept. 19. Meena is the daughter of George and Alice Philips.

### Concerns

#### Prayers for Comfort:

- For Rachel Howell and her family at the death of her grandmother Sarah Eichar who died on Sept. 14.

#### Prayers for Safety:

- For Jon Gibbons, son of Pat and Jane Gibbons, husband of Emily Shapiro and father of Harriet and Frances, who will be serving as an anesthesiologist at a military hospital in Kandahar, Afghanistan from October 2009-May 2010.

#### Prayers for New Beginnings:

- For all Trinity members struggling with economic and employment concerns.
- For Cricket & Brian Gordon, spending a semester in Canterbury, England for a University program.

#### Prayers for Healing:

- For Rev. Julie March, recovering from angioplasty on Thursday, October 1<sup>st</sup> at Barnes.
- For George Hodgson, Birty Hodgson's father, in serious condition with prostate cancer, in Nicaragua.
- For Polly Brown's daughter, Sharon Vatt, in critical condition with Pulmonary Disease in Minneapolis, MN.
- For Rex Bull, father of Cathy Hasler, in Missouri Baptist for congenital heart failure, kidney problems, and recovery from a mini-stroke.
- For the Pontious family as they work to help Adam have an abundant life in the midst of disabilities, including his move to Beverly Farm in Grafton, IL.
- For Rev. Don Weems, Trinity's Pastor Emeritus, receiving treatment for prostate cancer.
- For newborn Max Griffin and his parents Jordan & Claire, friends of Stephanie Ball. Max is in intensive care with a Congenital diaphragmatic hernia (CDH).
- For Vicki Carmichael's brother Warren, his wife, Lori, and his family as they go through difficult times.
- For Jean Dausch, Cricket Gordon's friend, who has been diagnosed with ALS.
- For Rev. Louis Platt, Art Platt's brother, being treated for lung cancer.
- For Katy Gordon, daughter of Cricket and Brian Gordon, being treated for cysts on her liver.
- For Lorraine McGhee, Roberta McBride's neighbor, who is dealing with multiple health problems.
- For Harold Glad and Jan Schulte-Glad as they deal with Harold's Early Stage Alzheimer's.
- For Bob Reynolds, significant other of Janet Guenther, in a nursing home after a stroke.
- For Suzanne Trahan, friend of Traci O'Bryan, who is being treated for breast cancer; and for Suzanne's father John Foushee who is undergoing treatment for esophageal cancer.
- For Fred Gould, Stacy Shupe's uncle, diagnosed with an aggressive rectal cancer that has spread to his liver.
- For Susan Lim as she nears the end of treatment for breast cancer.
- For Jon Billings, Vicki Carmichael's sister-in-law's brother, who is recovering from surgery for pancreatic cancer.
- For Susan Harris & her young family, recently diagnosed with a sinus/brain tumor.
- For Lisa Becker, Karon Bilbrey's niece, who is dealing with thyroid cancer.
- For Ann Weems, being treated for kidney disease.
- For Mark Mellinger, Christy Schindler's cousin in Flower Mound, TX, receiving treatment for lung & brain cancer.
- For Bill Hedrick, former pastor of Second Presbyterian Church in St. Louis who has been diagnosed with myelofibrosis, a bone marrow disorder.
- For Anna Gordon, as Cricket & Brian continue to work on her care issues.
- For Dianne Anderson, mother-in-law of Dan Anderson-Little, who is dealing with liver disease.
- 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 | Eleanor Griffin  | Mabel Howell |
| • Maxine Story | Jim Pettus       | Evelyn Patterson |              |