



# Trinity Presbyterian Church

Celebrating the Diversity of All

October 25, 2009  
Reformation Sunday

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## PRELUDE

Highland Cathedral

*Composer: Traditional piping tune transcribed for pipe organ and the Great Highland Bagpipes by James D. Wetherald*

## CALL TO WORSHIP *from Psalm 116*

*Leader: I love the LORD, because God has heard my voice and my supplications.*

People: Because God inclined an ear to me, therefore I will call on God as long as I live.

*Leader: The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me; I suffered distress and anguish.*

People: Then I called on the name of the LORD: "O LORD, I pray, save my life!"

*Leader: Gracious is the LORD, and righteous; our God is merciful.*

People: The LORD protects the simple; when I was brought low, he saved me.

Return, O my soul, to your rest, for the LORD has dealt bountifully with you.

For you have delivered my soul from death, my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling.

I walk before the LORD in the land of the living.

## HYMN 260

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

## CALL TO CONFESSION

### CONFESSION OF FAITH *UNISON (Philippians 2:12-13)*

Let the same mind be in us that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death-- even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

## SILENT CONFESSION

### ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE *(Philippians 2:12-13)*

*Leader: Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling.*

People: For it is God who is at work in us, enabling us both to will and to work for God's good pleasure.

**SONG OF COMMITMENT UNISON** (for music see Hymn 372)

Lord, I want to be like Jesus in-a my heart, in-a my heart,  
Lord, I want to be like Jesus in-a my heart.  
In-a my heart, In-a my heart,  
Lord, I want to be like Jesus in-a my heart.

**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 – God's Child 2010**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**ANTHEM**

I Would See Jesus

*Music: L.P. Breedlove, arr. Martha Shaffer; Words: L.P. Breedlove, Horatio Bonner*

*I would see Jesus when the flow'rs of joy adorn my way.  
When sunshine and when hope surrounds my path from day to day.  
When friends I cherish most are near, and hearts encircle mine,  
Then, Father, would I turn from all to lean alone on thine.*

*I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Behold, I freely give  
The living water, thirsty one, stoop down and drink and live!"  
I came to Jesus and I drank of that life-giving stream,  
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived, and now I live in Him.*

*I heard the voice of Jesus say, "I am this dark world's light.  
Look unto me, thy morn shall rise, and all thy day be bright!"  
I looked to Jesus and I found in Him my star, my sun;  
And in that light of life I'll walk till trav'ling days are done.*

**SCRIPTURE READING** Mark 8:27-38 (New Testament, page 43)

**SERMON** Following Jesus: Who Is Jesus for Us?

*Those who are able are invited to stand.*

**RESPONSE TO THE WORD – HYMN 302** Lord of the Dance

*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**

## The Beatitudes

*James D. Shoemaker**Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.**Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.**Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.**Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.**Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.**Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.**Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called the children of God.**Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.**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 376**

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

**COMMISSIONING THE CROP WALKERS****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 in the Narthex or outside the sanctuary doors by the pulpit.***POSTLUDE**

Traditional Piping Tune

*James Miller, piper*

Today is Reformation Sunday, the day we commemorate our Reformed heritage that was started by Martin Luther, continued by John Calvin and John Knox, and is still living with us today. The color of Reformation Sunday is red, the color of fire and the Holy Spirit.

**Liturgist** – Bonnie Roy, the Rev. Julie March**Preacher** – Dr. Dan Anderson-Little**Organist** – Dr. Bill Wade, CAGO**Choir Director** – Vicki Carmichael**Choir** – Trinity Choir**Bagpiper** – Jim Miller from the John Ford Pipe Band is playing the Great Highland Bagpipe

## 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 Lila Sophia on October 22 to Minister of Spiritual Growth, Dawn Fleishman, and her husband Andrew. Prayers also for big brother, Owen.
- For Elizabeth Norgard, daughter of Deb and Ron, who was married to Chris Bean on October 7 at Lake of the Ozarks.
- For Jeff Roman and Leah Horn who were married on October 11th. Jeff is the son of John and Joanne Roman.
- For Al Ng and Linda Li who were married at Trinity on Oct. 3.

### Concerns

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

- For Shanthi Phillips, serving with the Peace Corps in the African country of Lesotho for 27 months starting Nov. 11.
- For Diana Gray as she goes on a medical mission to the Himalayan country of Bhutan, Oct. 31 to Nov. 11.
- 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 to May 2010.

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

- For Leo and Lois Eason spending the winter in Florida.
- For Ray and Ginny Scholin spending the winter in Arizona.
- 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 Larry Pontious, ill with a severe case of the flu.
- For Dee Wharton, friend of Lois Sechrist, recovering from breast cancer surgery.
- For George Hodgson, Birty Hodgson's father, in serious condition with prostate cancer, in Nicaragua.
- For Sharon Vatt, Polly Brown's daughter, recovering from pulmonary disease in Minneapolis, MN.
- For Rex Bull, father of Cathy Hasler, being treated for congenital heart failure, kidney problems, and a mini-stroke.
- 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 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 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, close friend of Cheryl and Reed Evans, 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, being treated for lung and brain cancer.

#### **Prayers for Ongoing Support:**

- For Jean Dausch, Cricket Gordon's friend, who has been diagnosed with ALS.
- 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 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 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 Dan Little, father of Rev. Dan Anderson-Little, who is in Hospice care for brain cancer.
- 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 |                |



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News and Notes for October 25, 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

**CROP WALK 2009:** The Trinity Trotters Team is walking today after church. You can still donate: [cropwalk@churchworldservice.org](mailto:cropwalk@churchworldservice.org) and click on "donate" to add to our Trinity fundraising goal of \$1,000. Let's beat last year's total of \$1,971!

### ADULT SPIRITUAL GROWTH

**COUNTERING PHARAOH'S PRODUCTION-CONSUMPTION SOCIETY TODAY (UNTIL 11/8/09)** is a 5-session DVD study featuring theologian Walter Brueggemann: 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. Class meets in the Chapel.

**THE NEXT ADULT SPIRITUAL GROWTH SERIES** (Nov. 15-29) focuses on stained glass, with a lecture by member and Matisse expert, a tour of the Tiffany windows at Second Presbyterian Church, and a talk by Stephen Frei, descendent of Emil Frei and head of the family stained glass business.

**OUR WEEKLY PARENT GROUP** offers a relaxed place to talk about the joys and challenges of parenting. Dan coordinates this gathering at spiritual formation time for parents, where they can share their experiences and hear from others who are raising kids in our fast-paced, over-scheduled society. Topics will be determined by the group. Speak with Dan for more information and join us when you can. Grab some coffee and come on back to Room 206 (by the Choir Room) at **9:30AM**.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**WELCOME BABY FLEISHMAN!** We celebrate with our Minister of Spiritual growth, Dawn Fleishman, and her husband Andrew and their son Owen as they welcome their daughter and sister, Lila Sophia. Lila was born on Thursday, weighing 8 lbs, 8 ozs. Everyone is healthy and happy (and no doubt tired). Dawn will return in November.

**TRINITY CHOIR TO PERFORM CANTATA:** The choir will sing member Jim Shoemaker's *Promises of God* cantata on Sunday, Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> at 4pm at University United Methodist Church. They will be joined by the Choir of Zion United Church of Christ. Plan to head "across the street" (the white stone church at the corner of Delmar and Trinity) to experience the many gifts of our choir.

**IT'S TIME FOR TURKEYS!** Please sign the pew pad if you can make a commitment to either donate a turkey (8-10 lbs) or money for a turkey for our food pantry clients this Thanksgiving. We will need the money and turkeys by Friday, Nov. 13<sup>th</sup>. Please talk with Stacey Carman ([carmans@swbell.net](mailto:carmans@swbell.net)) or Liz Nelson (725-3840)

if you have questions. Turkeys can be placed in the freezer in the kitchen.

**ADVENT BAGS:** If you signed up to provide gifts for the Advent bags, they are due in the office by Tuesday, Nov. 10. Thanks!

**A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** will be held on November 8<sup>th</sup> immediately after worship for the purpose of electing officers. Please plan to stay for a short meeting as we acknowledge the call of these members to service.

**PLEDGES ARE STILL BEING ACCEPTED.** thank you to all who have already prayerfully considered your pledge to Trinity and its ministries. The response has been strong so far and we welcome your contribution to our future. Pledge cards can be found in the pew rack.

**THE B&B (BONDING & BRIDGING) SMALL GROUP FOR 3RD-6TH GRADERS** does not meet today, but will meet again Sunday, Nov. 1, 8 & 15<sup>th</sup> at 11:45am in the Choir Room with Vicki Carmichael and Karen Coletti.

**THE FOOD PANTRY IS HOLDING MONTHLY COMPETITIONS. THIS MONTH:** How much stuffing and cranberry sauce can we donate for the food pantry during November? The grocery cart in the Narthex awaits your donations for this contest or donations of canned goods and non-perishable items for our weekly pantry. Monthly, we will wheel the cart down with our other offerings as a reminder that this, too, is part of our stewardship and mission work.

**KINGSBURY ENSEMBLE CONCERT IN THE SANCTUARY ON SATURDAY, NOV. 7:** "Music for the Sun King (Louis XIV)." This program celebrates several of Louis' favorite composers with magnificent and rarely performed sonatas, motets and dance music of Lully, Marais, Charpentier and Elizabeth Jacquet de la Guerre. Jay Carter, countertenor, Jessica Heuser, soprano, Margaret Humphrey, violin, Paul Thompson, flute, Ken Kulosa, cello, Maryse Carlin, harpsichord. 7:30pm; \$15 adults/\$10 senior or student.

**DO YOU WANT TO RING CHIMES AT CHRISTMAS?** Talk to organist Bill Wade about playing in the Intergenerational Chime Choir.

**T'AI CHI AT TRINITY:** a reminder that you can sign up to take a 5- class session through OASIS. 9-10am on Tuesdays in the Chapel. \$32 for 5 weeks. This session just started and the next 5-part session starts Nov. 10. Talk with Liz in the office.

## **THIS WEEK AT TRINITY**

**Tuesday, 10/27:** Presbyterian Women, 11am, Dining Room  
Evangelism meeting, 7:00 pm, Chapel

**Wednesday, 10/28:** Food Pantry, 1-4pm

**Thursday, 10/29:** Bell Choir rehearsal, 5:30 pm;  
Trinity Choir rehearsal, 7:15 pm-9 pm

**Saturday, 10/31:** NO *Commons@ The Loop* service on Halloween

**Sunday, 11/1:** *Promises of God* cantata, performed by the Trinity Choir, University United Methodist Church, 4pm