



# Trinity Presbyterian Church

Celebrating the Diversity of All

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Second Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Martin Luther King, Jr. Sunday

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## PRELUDE

Peace Song

*Composer: Joe Utterback (b. 1944)*

*"Peace will come one day, and all the world will sing  
A song of new beginnings, for war will be no more.  
All the years lie heavy through our time of pain  
Oh, soon, sweet peace, oh come!" – Joe Utterback, 2004*

## GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### INTROIT

Behold, I stand at the door and knock

*Words: Revelation 3: 20; Music: George Thalben-Ball*

*Behold, I stand at the door and knock  
If anyone, anyone open the door,  
I will come in.*

### CALL TO WORSHIP *from Isaiah 62:1-5*

*Leader: Thus says the Lord: For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch.*

**People:** Help us to see your salvation!

*Leader: The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give.*

**People:** Help us to claim the new name that you gave us in baptism.

*Leader: You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.*

**People:** Help us to recognize the beauty that you place within us!

*Leader: You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the LORD delights in you, and your land shall be married. For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.*

**People:** Help us to rejoice in you as you rejoice over us!

### HYMN 145

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!

## CALL TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION *UNISON*

Most holy and merciful God: we acknowledge and confess our slowness to do good, our blindness to injustice, and our complicity in deferring the dreams and hopes of the oppressed. We have refused to heed your call to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with you, our God. We condemn racism

and other forms of injustice in our pronouncements, yet we cling to the privileges derived from inequity. When we ought to be moved to action by our failures, we prefer to cling to private, selfish, imprisoning desires. We participate in our own oppression. Help us to name our sin, to claim responsibility for our actions, and to change our behavior. In accordance with the commands of Jesus Christ our savior, shake us from our sleep with you imperative to do justice; move us to action with the compassion of your grace; and give us courage to pay the price, however painful or costly, that the justice you will, may be done, on earth as in heaven. Amen.

### SILENT CONFESSION

### ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE

*Leader: God is near to the broken and the broken-hearted. In the Book of Revelation we read: And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; God will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away." And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." In Jesus Christ, we and our world are indeed made new!*

People: Thanks be to God!

### SONG OF PRAISE UNISON

The image shows a musical score for a unison song of praise. It consists of two systems of music, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: "Glo - ry in the high - est, on earth, sing a - gain. Glo - ry, al - le - lu - ia. A - men. A - men." The first system covers the first four measures, and the second system covers the next four measures.

### 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

**READING** – excerpt from the sermon "The Three Dimensions of a Complete Life" by Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. delivered at New Covenant Baptist Church, Chicago, Illinois, on 9 April 1967

### ANTHEM

Day by Day

*Music: Martin How; Words: St. Richard of Chichester*

*Day by day, dear Lord, of Thee three things I pray.*

*To see Thee more clearly,*

*Love Thee more dearly,*

*Follow Thee more nearly, day by day.*

### SCRIPTURE READING

I Corinthians 12:1-11 (New Testament, page 174)

**SERMON**

## Called to a Deeper Humanity

*Those who are able are invited to stand.*

**CONFESSION OF FAITH** – *from a Brief Statement of Faith—PC(U.S.A.)*

We trust in God the Holy Spirit,

everywhere the giver and renewer of life.

The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith,

sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor,

and binds us together with all believers

in the one body of Christ, the Church.

The same Spirit

who inspired the prophets and apostles

rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture,

engages us through the Word proclaimed,

claims us in the waters of baptism,

feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation,

and calls women and men to all ministries of the church.

In a broken and fearful world

the Spirit gives us courage

to pray without ceasing,

to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,

to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,

to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,

and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,

we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks

and to live holy and joyful lives,

even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth,

praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

**RESPONSE TO THE WORD – HYMN 369** I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

*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**

There Is a Balm in Gilead

*Words: Jeremiah 8:22; Music: William L. Dawson*

*(Refrain) There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole,  
There is a balm in Gilead to heal the sin-sick soul.*

*Sometimes I feel discouraged, and think my work's in vain,*

*But then the Holy Spirit revives my soul again. (refrain)*

*If you cannot sing like angels, if you cannot preach like Paul,  
You can tell the love of Jesus, and say "He died for all." (refrain)*

*Those who are able are invited to stand.*

**SONG OF PRAISE UNISON** *(for music, see hymnal 455, vs.6)* (Tune: Lasst Uns Erfrueuen)

All creatures, your Creator bless,  
And worship God in humbleness.  
O sing ye! Alleluia!  
Praise the Creator, praise the Son!  
And praise the Spirit, Three in One!  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

**HYMN 563** Lift Every Voice and Sing

**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** In You Is Gladness  
*Composer: Giovanni Giacomo Gastoldi (1556-1622)  
arr. by Michael Burkhardt (b. 1957)*

The first period of Ordinary Time begins following Epiphany and continues until Lent. The liturgical color of Ordinary Time is green, the color of life and growth.

**Liturgist** – Jean Merson, the Rev. Julie March

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

**Organist** – Dr. Bill Wade, CAGO

**Choir Director** – Vicki Carmichael

**Choir** – Trinity Choir

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# Trinity Presbyterian Church



News and Notes for January 17, 2010

*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 class. 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.*

### TODAY AT TRINITY

**A MEETING WITH PRESBYTERIAN CHILDREN'S SERVICES: A CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION OF MID-AMERICA PROGRAM** is set for today at 9:15 am in Rm. 206 to work with Kathy Morrison on defining the partnership between Trinity and Presbyterian Children's Services and planning the initial hands-on events. Come and be a part of this emerging mission!

**A SPECIAL SESSION MEETING** will be held in the Chapel following worship this morning.

### ADULT SPIRITUAL GROWTH

**HARRY POTTER:** Gifted teacher and member Rick Hasler leads a discussion based on the *Harry Potter* book series. Kids grades 3 and up are invited to attend the first 3 sessions: **SESSION TWO:** Jan. 17 - **What is Magic?** (Kids and Adults) What is the difference between magic and faith? Jan. 24 - **Good vs. Evil** (Kids and Adults); Is Harry Potter a story about "Good vs. Evil"? Is the bible a story of "Good vs. Evil"? What do these books have in common and how are they different? Jan. 31 - **Should I really be letting my child read these books?** (Adults only) At what age will my child be ready to read these stories? At what age will I be ready to let my child read these stories? This class will outline the major plot structures of the books and we will have a discussion of how the series changes in intensity and depth over time. We will also address the differences between the movies and the books.

**OUR WEEKLY PARENT GROUP** offers a relaxed place to talk about the joys and challenges of parenting. Join us when you can! Room 206 (by the Choir Room) at 9:30am. The group will not meet in January due to the Harry Potter class.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING:** Plan to stay after the service on January 24th for a congregational meeting to receive the Annual Report and the Pastor's Terms of Call.

**NEW PRAYER PARTNER PAIRINGS STARTING:** This 4-week season runs Monday, January 18 until just before Ash Wednesday (we will start a new season of prayer in Lent). We will be praying for the church. Our congregation is richly blessed and we are in the midst of making many important decisions about our future. It is our hope that as we engage in the discipline of prayer we will individually and collectively hear God's voice as God calls the Trinity congregation to an exciting and dynamic future. Tell Julie or Dan if you are interested. Julie or I will contact you with the name of your partner on Sunday and your first scripture and prayer suggestion will arrive in your email inbox on Monday, January 18. I hope you will join us on this exciting journey!

**NEW OFFICE HOURS FOR LIZ & BIRTY:** Liz: Monday-Thursday 8:30-3:30; Birty: Monday-Thursday 7:30am-4pm.

**HELPER INFORMATION COMING:** For all those volunteers who have been and will be stepping up to help make Sunday mornings run smoothly now that Birty is off, the office is preparing a binder of "how to" information and creating a central supply area.

**BREAD PICK-UP HELPERS:** If you are interested in either picking up Bread Co. bread donations (on the 2nd 4th or 5th Tuesdays) or bag the donations on those Wednesday mornings, please contact Stacey Carman: [carmans@swbell.net](mailto:carmans@swbell.net) to be a part of the volunteer rotation. Our Food Pantry clients love this fresh food!

**CHECK THE NETWORKING NOOK** board by the elevator for updated information and share anything you'd like posted with Liz in the office. Members and those community members using the building post job opportunities as well as searches.

**STEWARDSHIP UPDATE – OUR MINISTRY AND SPIRITUAL COMMUNITY IS GROWING AS WE SPEAK:** Thank you, thank you, thank you! As we close out 2009, Trinity has received 103 pledges totaling \$300,003 committed for 2010. More than a dozen of these pledges are new or renewed commitments! If you have not renewed your pledge yet, please do so now. Thank you.

## PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION

### Joys

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

- For parents Steve and Shelly Norkaitis, and grandparents Sandy and Neil Norkaitis at the birth of Elinor Grace born January 12, 2010.
- For Janet Guenther who has returned home from the hospital.

### Concerns

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

- For the family of Bob Reynolds, significant other of Janet Guenther, and for Janet at his death on Dec. 18.

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

- For Shanthi Phillips who is serving with the Peace Corps in Lesotho. You can read her blog at [Shanti's Blog](#)
- For Jon Gibbons, son of Pat and Jane Gibbons, husband of Emily Shapiro and father of Harriet and Frances, who is serving in a military hospital in Afghanistan until May 2010.

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

- For Barb and Tim Rand, who request prayers and support through contacts for Tim's job search, which is now in the 10th month.
- For Damayanthi Niles, Jim Person and Diane O'Brien, traveling in India for 2 weeks for an Eden Seminary course.
- For those preparing for ministry: dawn Fleishman, Rhonda Dunbar and Diane O'Brien.
- 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.

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

- For Paul Davis, Professor of Music at Webster University and colleague of Vicki Carmichael, who is in the hospital with arteriovenous malformation.
- For Rex Bull, Cathy Hasler's father, in the hospital with a strep infection.
- For Cricket' Gordon's friend, Donna Torkelson, in great pain with an inoperable tumor on her spine and one on her lung.
- For Jerry Royce, recovering from a dislocated hip.
- For Ray Stone, Ginny Richmond's nephew, in ICU with an unknown problem.
- For Pat Warren, Ginny Richmond's niece, receiving radiation and chemotherapy for multiple cancers.
- For Sandy Macy, friend of Cheryl & Reed Evans, diagnosed with a malignant brain tumor.
- For Rev. Don Weems, Trinity's Pastor Emeritus, receiving treatment for prostate cancer.
- 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 Jon Billings, Vicki Carmichael's sister-in-law's brother, who is undergoing treatment for pancreatic cancer.
- For Lisa Becker, Karon Bilbrey's niece, who is dealing with thyroid cancer.
- For Ann Weems, being treated for kidney disease.

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

- For Susan Harris (Heisel), firmed of Cheryl and Reed Evans, diagnosed with an aggressive and incurable cancer.
- 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.
- For Harold Glad and Jan Schulte-Glad as they deal with Harold's Early Stage Alzheimer's.
- For Bill Hedrick, former pastor of Second Presbyterian Church in St. Louis who has been diagnosed with myelofibrosis.
- 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.

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

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| • Helen Bauer      | Myrtle Beckmeyer | Eleanor Griffin | Mabel Howell |
| • Evelyn Patterson | Maxine Story     | Jim Pettus      |              |

## THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

*Monday 1/18: CLOSED for MLK Day*

*Tuesday 1/19: Presbyterian Women, 11am, Dining Room; SHED meeting, 6:30pm Chape;*

*Wednesday 1/20: Food Pantry, 1-4pm*

*Thursday 1/21: Bell choir rehearsal, 5:30 pm, Trinity Choir rehearsal, 7:15pm*