



Trinity Presbyterian Church

Celebrating the Diversity of All

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Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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PRELUDE Passacaglia on *Christe*, from *Messe du Deuxieme Ton*
Composer: Andre Raison (1650-1714)

GREETING

INTROIT Thou, O Lord, Art in the Midst of Us
Music by George Thalben-Ball, Text: Jeremiah 14:9

*Thou, O Lord, art in the midst of us
And we are called by thy name.*

CALL TO WORSHIP *from I Peter 2:4-6*

Leader: Come to Jesus, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture: "See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame."

HYMN 442 The Church's One Foundation

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *UNISON*

Almighty God,
you love us, but we have not loved you.
You call, but we have not listened.
We walk away from neighbors in need,
wrapped in our own concerns.
We condone evil, prejudice, warfare, and greed.
God of grace,
help us to admit our sin,
so that as you come to us in mercy,
we may repent, turn to you, and receive forgiveness;
through Jesus Christ our Redeemer.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE

Leader: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. May the God of mercy, who forgives us all our sins, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life.

People: Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE *UNISON*

1

"Glo - ry in the high - est, on earth," sing a - gain.

2

Detailed description: This is the first system of musical notation for a unison song. It consists of two staves, a treble clef on top and a bass clef on the bottom. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written on the treble staff, and the bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the treble staff.

5

Glo - ry, al - le - lu - ia. A - men. A - men.

Detailed description: This is the second system of musical notation, starting at measure 5. It follows the same two-staff format as the first system. The melody continues on the treble staff, and the bass staff provides accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the treble staff.

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 Luke 4:14-21 (New Testament, page 61)

SERMON Called to a Deeper Mission

Those who are able are invited to stand.

RESPONSE TO THE WORD God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending
Words: Robert L. Edwards; Music: based on "Beach Spring" arr. by Richard Hillert

Congregation:
God, whose giving knows no ending,
from your rich and endless store--
nature's wonder, Jesus' wisdom,
costly cross, grave's shattered door--
gifted by you, we turn to you,
offering up ourselves in praise;
thankful song shall rise forever,
gracious Donor of our days.

Choir Only:
Skills and time are ours for pressing
toward the goals of Christ, your Son:
all at peace in health and freedom,
races joined, the Church made one.
Now direct our daily labor,
lest we strive for self alone.
Born with talents, make us servants
fit to answer at your throne.

Congregation:

Treasure, too, you have entrusted,
gain through powers your grace conferred,
ours to use for home and kindred,
and to spread the gospel word.
Open wide our hands in sharing,
as we heed Christ's ageless call,
healing, teaching, and reclaiming,
serving you by loving all.

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

A Rose Touched by the Sun's Warm Rays

Words: Maria Brubacher, tr. Jean Berger; Music: Jean Berger

*A rose touched by the sun's warm rays
All its petals gently does unfold;
So you, when touched by God's great mercy,
Let joy and gladness win your soul.*

Those who are able are invited to stand.

SONG OF PRAISE UNISON *(for music, see Hym 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 421

The Church of Christ in Every Age

WORDS OF SENDING & BLESSING

BENEDICTION RESPONSE

Congregation:

God be with you till we meet again;
By God's counsels guide, uphold you,
With God's sheep securely fold you:
God be with you till we meet again.
Till we meet, till we meet,
Till we meet at Jesus' feet,
Till we meet, till we meet,
God be with you till we meet again.

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

Postlude on Nicea

Tune: John B. Dykes, 1861 arranged by Robert Hebble (b. 1934)

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 – the Rev. Julie March

Preacher – Dr. Dan Anderson-Little

Organist – Dr. Bill Wade, CAGO

Choir Director – Vicki Carmichael

Choir – Trinity Choir

Soloist – Michael Wysesession, Wind Controller

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Notes on today's music: Like Jesus, we are called to take the ordinary and make it extraordinary! “Mighty oaks from little acorns grow.” The prelude is from “Trio en Passacaille,” part of an Organ Mass composed by André Raison, a Frenchman 35 years J.S. Bach's senior. In writing his masterpiece (Passacaglia and Fugue in C minor, BWV 582), Bach extended Raison's theme, adding four bars to double the length of the original.

The words to the first hymn “The Church's One Foundation” were written by Samuel J. Stone (1839-1900) in response to a dispute about the historic accuracy of the Pentateuch. In her series, Stories of The Hymns, Karen Silvis shares this:

He (Stone) wrote a collection of twelve credal hymns which were based on the Apostle's Creed. His purpose was to instruct his people in the truth and to combat the liberal attacks on the Bible...His hymn, “The Church's One Foundation” was based on the Ninth Article of the (Apostle's) creed, which reads, “The Holy Catholic (or Universal) Church; the Communion of Saints; He is the head of this Body.”



Trinity Presbyterian Church



News and Notes for January 24, 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

ANNUAL MEETING & ENDOWMENT MEETING: Plan to stay after worship for a congregational meeting to receive the Annual Report, the Pastor's Terms of Call and to concur with the Session's decision to have a capital campaign to fund a new elevator.

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 3: 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

ART SALE TO BENEFIT THE CHANCEL FLOWER FUND. Please join us in the Chapel following Worship **next Sunday, Jan. 31st**, for an extended Fellowship Hour and art sale. We will honor our own Tom Wilhite who is offering his own paintings for sale to benefit our Chancel Flower Fund. There will be bountiful refreshments to enjoy while you peruse and purchase his paintings. Perhaps you have noticed that, during Worship, the Communion Table often is without the blessing of God's colorful flowers. It is the Green Team's and Worship and Music's hope that we will be able to **purchase new silk seasonal floral arrangements** for the Chancel. All proceeds from the art sale will be used for this purpose. Checks can be made payable to Trinity Presbyterian Church. This is an opportunity to help beautify our Chancel during future worship, to have an extended time of fellowship with friends and acquaintances, augment your own art collection, and/or perhaps obtain a lovely gift for that special Valentine.

TRINITY'S HANDBELL CHOIR WILL PERFORM AT THE HANDBELL CELEBRATION, Sunday, Jan. 31st at 7pm, featuring 5 other handbell choirs—400 bells and handchimes and 70 ringers! Manchester UM Church, 129 Woods Mill Rd., 63011. Freewill offering.

HELPING HAITI: Stay tuned for details of a project being organized by Lynn Reid to gather and package toiletry kits for Haiti's earthquake victims. We will need your donations of specific items (to be named) or money to purchase them. We need you to come and assemble the bags and have a chili dinner together, where the dinner proceeds will also go to Haiti relief. Information will be sent via email, website, and bulletin and will be happening in the next few weeks. Call the office if you don't access the computer!

JOB / CAREER TRANSITION GROUP TO MEET AT TRINITY: We will be hosting 5 months of meetings for Bounce Back St. Louis (Feb - June) on the Third Wednesday of each month, 9-11am. This is a networking gathering and presentation series to help those in job transition. Free. Invite anyone who might be interested. For more information: www.bouncebackstl.net

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 George Sallwasser who got a good report from his angiogram on Jan. 19.
- For parents Steve and Shelly Norkaitis, and grandparents Sandy and Neil Norkaitis at the birth of Elinor Grace born January 12, 2010

Concerns

Prayers for Safety:

- For Shanthi Phillips who is serving with the Peace Corps in Lesotho. You can read her blog at <http://shanthiphilips.blogspot.com/>
- 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 Janet Guenther who has moved to retirement community in St. Charles.
- For Barb & Tim Rand, who request prayers & support through contacts for Tim's job search, which is now in the 10th month.
- For Damayanthi Niles, Jim Person and Diane O'Brien, returning today from 2 weeks in India for an Eden Seminary course.
- For those preparing for ministry: Diane O'Brien, Dawn Fleishman, and Rhonda Dunbar.
- 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 Elaine Pontious, recovering from Achilles tendon repair on Jan. 20
- For Patty Twellman, recovering from an angioplasty in her leg.
- For Monte Plourde, recovering from an eye procedure and awaiting hip surgery.
- For Jack Bowers, friend of Genny Richmond, scheduled for hip surgery on Jan. 21st.
- For Paul Davis, Professor of Music at Webster University and colleague of Vicki Carmichael, who is dealing 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 Sandy Macy, friend of Cheryl & Reed Evans, dealing 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, dealing 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), friend of Cheryl and Reed Evans, living with an aggressive and incurable cancer.
- For Jean Dausch, Cricket Gordon's friend, who has 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 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 1/25: genesis House Bible Study, 1pm, Youth Lounge
Tuesday 1/26: Presbyterian Women, 11am, Dining Room;
Evangelism meeting, 7pm, Chapel
Wednesday 1/27: Food Pantry, 1-4pm

Thursday 1/28: Bell choir rehearsal, 5:30 pm, Trinity Choir rehearsal, 7:15pm
Saturday, 1/30: Session retreat: 9am-1pm, Chapel
Sunday, 1/31: Painting sale, 11:30am, Chapel, Deacons meeting, noon, Rm. 206,
Handbell Festival, 7pm (see insert for details)