



# Trinity Presbyterian Church

*Gathering in the Name of the Triune God*

*A Southeastern Wisconsin PCA (Presbyterian Church of America) church.*

## March 23, 2014

### **JESUS IS RISEN!**

### **HE IS RISEN INDEED!**

*In the name of the risen and reigning Lord Jesus Christ welcome: to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; to all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire hope; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are strangers and yearn for fellowship; and to whomever will come.*

*We assemble together each Lord's Day as a gathering of God's children with each other, but primarily, as a meeting of the triune God with His chosen people. God is present with us by His omnipresence but, much more intimately, as the faithful covenant Savior. Christ is the Mediator by whom alone we can come unto God. He is the head of the church. He rules over public worship. In corporate worship – when God meets with His people, Christ with His bride, the Spirit with His temple – we receive God's grace through the Word and sacrament, and we respond to Him with thanksgiving, faith, and love.*

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## Lord's Day Service – Third Sunday in Lent March 23, 2014

### Entrance – God Calls Us to Worship

#### **Welcome & Announcements**

#### **Silent Preparation**

#### **\* Call to Worship**

**Psalm 91:1-2**

Minister: Let us stand and worship God...in the Name of the Father,  
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit!

**People: Amen!**

*Matt 28:19*

Minister: The Lord be with you!

**People: And also with you!**

*Ruth 2:4*

Minister: Our help is in the Name of Yahweh,

**People: Who made heaven and earth.**

*Ps 124:8*

Minister: Let us fix our eyes on Jesus,

**People: The author and perfecter of our faith,**

Minister: Who for the joy set before him endured the cross,

**People: Despising its shame, and sat down at the right hand of  
the throne of God.**

*Heb 12:2*

Minister: O Lord, open our lips

**People: And our mouth shall show forth your praise.**

*Ps 15:15*

#### **\* Hymn of Praise**

Trinity Hymnal, #204  
*Alleluia! Alleluia!*

### Purification – We Confess Our Sins to God

Minister: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near to God our Father with an honest heart by kneeling and confessing our sins, asking him to forgive us for Christ's sake.

**People: Most merciful God, who are of purer eyes than to behold iniquity, and has promised forgiveness to all those who confess and forsake their sins; We come before You in a humble sense of our own unworthiness, acknowledging our manifold transgressions of Your righteous laws. But, O gracious Father, Who desires not the death of a sinner, look upon us in mercy, and forgive us all our transgressions. Make us deeply sensible of the great evil of them; and work in us a hearty contrition; that we may obtain forgiveness at Your hands, Who are ever ready to receive humble and penitent sinners; for the sake of Your Son Jesus Christ, our only Savior and Redeemer. Amen.**

(Silent prayers of confession are offered.)

Minister: Now lift up your heads and hear the good news! God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy on us. He has given His only Son to die for us, and for His sake forgives us of all our sins.

People: **Thanks be to God! Our sins are forgiven in Jesus' name. Amen.**

### Ascension – God Consecrates Us by His Word

Minister: Lift up your hearts! *Psalm 86:4*

People: **We lift them up to the Lord!** *Lam 3:41*

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God!

People: **It is proper and right to do so!** *Psalm 92:1*

Minister: Truly it is good, right and beneficial that we should give thanks to you at all times and in every place, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God. You graciously invite your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the Easter feast. Renew our zeal in faith and life, and bring us to the fullness of grace that belongs to us as the children of God. Therefore, with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, and with the church on earth, we praise and magnify your glorious Name, evermore praising you and singing:

\* *Hymn of Preparation* Trinity Hymnal, #615  
*Come, Ye Thankful People, Come*

#### \* *Prayer*

Minister: Let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

\* *Lesson from the Old Testament* Ezekiel 17:22-24; Psalm 107:23-32

Minister: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

\* *Lesson from the New Testament* Mark 4:21-41

Minister: This is the Gospel of our Lord Jesus.

People: **Praise be to you, O Christ.**

*Sermon* **"Kingdom Parables Related to the Seed & the Good Ground"**

### Tribute – We Offer Ourselves through Tithes

\* *Hymn of Consecration*

Trinity Hymnal, #701  
*Master, the Tempest Is Raging*

\* *Presentation & Dedication of Tithes & Offerings*

*Prayers of the Church*

**Requests & Lord's Prayer**

### Peace – We Commune with God

*Words of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper*

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

*We Confess Our Faith in the Triune, Incarnate God*

**Creed**

\* *Hymn of Thanksgiving*

**Lift High the Cross** (see insert)

### Benediction – God Commissions & Blesses Us

\* *The Lord's Commission of Us*

1 Corinthians 3:6-8

\* *We Receive God's Blessing, His Good Word to Us*

Jude 24-25

\* *We Bless the LORD, Lifting Our Hands and Voices to Him*

**Doxology**

\* *Threefold Amen & Postlude*

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### LORD'S SUPPER

We observe Communion, or the Lord's Supper, weekly in our midst.

We believe it is worthily received by those who:

1. Have been baptized in the name of the Triune God (Matt 28:18-20);
2. Do profess faith in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God, and Savior of sinners, and do rest upon Him alone for salvation as He is offered in the Gospel (Ro 10:9-10);
3. Do live in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit and endeavor to live as becomes the followers of Jesus Christ (Gal 5:16-26); and
4. Are communing members in good standing in an evangelical church (1 Cor 10:1-6)

If these things are all true, we rejoice with you and invite you to commune with us at the Lord's Supper. If any of these are not true of you, we ask that you refrain. We invite you to speak to one of the Elders if you have doubts or questions regarding any of these beliefs, or if you are interested in learning more about Trinity.

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*Though collections are not ordinarily taken during a service, giving is a vital element of worship. Tithes and offerings may be placed in the basket at the rear of the church.*

(2 Corinthians 9:6-11)

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## Sermon Notes – March 23, 2014

### "Kingdom Parables Related to the Seed & the Good Ground"

Text: Mark 4:26-41

1. Dark saying of the lamp: secrecy and \_\_\_\_\_ (21-25; 33-34)
2. Dark saying of fruitful seed: how the kingdom grows in a secret and \_\_\_\_\_ way (26-29)
3. Dark saying of a mustard seed: how \_\_\_\_\_ the kingdom grows (30-32; Ezek 17:23)
4. Dark night on the sea: how Christ reveals our \_\_\_\_\_ with windstorm & waves (35-41)

## Announcements

### Sunday School

Sunday School will meet today at 11:30 in the Sanctuary.

### Heidelberg Catechism Review - Part 2 Deliverance: Lord's Day 12, God the Son

Q 31. *Why is he called "Christ," meaning "anointed"?*

A. Because he has been ordained by God the Father and has been anointed with the Holy Spirit to be our chief prophet and teacher who fully reveals to us the secret counsel and will of God concerning our deliverance; our only high priest who has delivered us by the one sacrifice of his body, and who continually pleads our cause with the Father; and our eternal king who governs us by his Word and Spirit, and who guards us and keeps us in the freedom he has won for us.

Q 32. *But why are you called a Christian?*

A. Because by faith I am a member of Christ and so I share in his anointing. I am anointed to confess his name, to present myself to him as a living sacrifice of thanks, to strive with a free conscience against sin and the devil in this life, and afterward to reign with Christ over all creation for eternity.

### Scripture Memory of the Week This week memorize John 14:3-4 and review Jn 14:1-2.

3, "And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also.

4, "And where I go you know, and the way you know."

### Ladies Study

The ladies will meet tomorrow night (3/24) 7pm to discuss Lesson 6 from the study book.

### Mid-week Bible Study

Wednesday evening at 7 pm, March 26, Pastor will continue the study of eschatology, with a third lesson from Matthew 24:36ff.

### Men's Forum

Men's forum will meet next Sunday night, March 30<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm.

LAMP Theological Seminary is preparing for its next course on The Doctrine of Man which will begin the week of March 30. This course teaches what we need to know about the creation and fall of man. The course covers predestination, election and reprobation, with consideration of both Reformed and Arminian views. For more information about the course, fees, or schedule, please contact Rev. Bill Acker at [billacker@jacobsowellgb.org](mailto:billacker@jacobsowellgb.org).

### Set-up Teams

Teams should arrive at 9:00 am Sunday mornings. If your family cannot set-up on your assigned week, please swap with another family; both team leaders should be notified of the change.

#### **NEXT WEEK:**

Team 4      March 30      S Reich\*, Burie, Gerth, Hammer

#### **FOLLOWING WEEKS:**

Team 1      April 6      K Dykema\*, D Dykema, Greenwald, Jens, Kelling, Zitzke  
Team 2      April 13      J Hummel\*, Dietzel, B Dykema, Nagle, Ruchti  
Team 3      April 20      J Pennington\*, Cox, K Hummel, Nader, N Pennington