Lord's Day Service January 20, 2013

Prelude

We silently prepare our hearts to worship our Lord — We appreciate the sounds of friends greeting each other and the words of welcome that are exchanged. They are evidence of the love and care we have for one another. However, when the musical prelude begins, we ask that our conversations be brought to a close and our attention turned to some quiet meditation in preparation to worship our Lord.

Entrance – God Calls Us to Worship

* Call to Worship

Psalm 115, Selection 57 Trinity Hymnal, page 651

* Hymn of Praise

Trinity Hymnal, #218

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name! (3rd tune)

* Salutation & Responsive Scripture

Minister: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the

Holy Spirit!

People: Amen! Matthew 28:19

Minister: Arise, shine; for your Light has come!

People: And the glory of the LORD is risen upon you.

Minister: The Gentiles shall come to your Light,

People: And kings to the brightness of your rising. Isaiah 60:1,3

Minister: O praise the LORD, all you nations!

People: Praise Him, all you peoples!

Minister: For His merciful kindness is great toward us.

People: And the truth of the LORD endures forever. Praise Psalm 117

the LORD!

Minister: Our help is in the name of Yahweh,

People: Who made heaven and earth. Psalm 124:8

Minister: I said, I will confess my transgressions to the LORD;

People: And You forgave the iniquity of my sin. Psalm 32:5

Purification - We Confess Our Sins to God

Eternal God, in whom I live and move and have my being, my heavenly Father, your face is hidden from me because of my sins. Cleanse me, I pray, from all my offenses, and deliver me from proud thoughts and vain desires. Grant that I may, in lowliness and meekness, draw near to you. Confessing my faults and confiding in your grace, I look for your grace and mercy through Christ, your Son, our Lord. 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: The Lord be with you!

People:And also with you!Ruth 2:4Minister:Lift up your hearts!Psalm 86:4People: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 proper, right, and our duty that we should at all times, and in

all places, give praise to You O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting King. 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

Psalter, #47A

All Peoples, Clap Your Hands for Joy

* Prayer

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

* Lesson from the Old Testament

Psalm 24

Minister: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

* Lesson from the New Testament

Matthew 13:1-7

Minister: This is the Gospel of our Lord Jesus.

People: Praise be to you, O Christ.

Sermon

"The Confidence for Evangelism"

<u>Tribute – We Offer Ourselves through Tithes</u>

* Hymn of Consecration

Trinity Hymnal, **#253**O Spirit of the Living God

*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

Luke 22:14-20

We Confess Our Faith in the Triune, Incarnate God

Creed (inside hymnal cover)

* Hymn of Thanksgiving

Trinity Hymnal, #387

I Love to Tell the Story

Benediction – God Commissions & Blesses Us

* The Lord's Commission of Us

Luke 24:45-48

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

Numbers 6:24-26

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

Gloria Patri

* Threefold Amen & Postlude

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.

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)

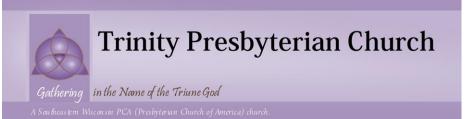
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January 20, 2013

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.

Sermon Notes – January 20, 2013

"The Confidence for Evangelism: God's Sovereignty & Man's Responsibility"

1.	The	of God's sovereignty. (Ps 24; 115)
2.	The (Ro 1:18	of God's sovereignty and human responsibility —2:16; 9:19-20; Jn 3:18; Acts 17:30-31; Ro 10:13-16 w 11:7-8)
3.		in God's sovereignty for the work of evangelism. God only makes us responsible to present Christ not
		converts (Acts 17:2-4)
	В.	God is not with His gift of salvation (Jn 3:16 1 Ti 2:3-6; 1 Jn 2:2; Re 7:9-10; Ro 9:21-23; 11:25-36)
		 We can expect that our labors of evangelism will not be in vain (2 Co 2:12-17)
		2) We can have confidence that God will overcome our fears to be a witness (1 Pe 2:21-24; 4:14,19; Ro 8:31-39).

Announcements

Worship Service

Please note some new responses in the worship order under the Salutation, Ascension, and after the Old and New Testament Lessons.

Sunday School

Sunday School will be held in the Sanctuary following Fellowship Break. The lesson will be on Zephaniah.

Westminster Shorter Catechism Review

Catechism for this week:

- Q.7. What are the decrees of God?
- A. The decrees of God are, his eternal purpose, according to the counsel of his will, whereby, for his own glory, he hath foreordained whatsoever comes to pass.
- Q.8. How doth God execute his decrees?
- A. God executeth his decrees in the works of creation and providence.

Ladies Study

The women of the church will meet this Tuesday, January 22nd, 7 pm at the church. Be prepared to discuss the second chapter of the book, *The True Woman*, by Susan Hunt. It's never too late to join the study – a few books are still available downstairs.

Session Meeting

Session will be meeting this Wednesday, 7 pm at the church. If you have a matter for their consideration please see one of the elders.

Set-up Teams

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Set-up teams should arrive at 9:00 am Sunday mornings. If your family cannot set-up on your assigned week, please swap with another family and notify both team leaders (*).

NEXT WEEK:

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FOLLOWING WEEKS:					
Team 4	February 3	J Pennington*, Dietzel, Nader, Nagle, N Pennington			
Team 5	February 10	S Reich*, Burie, Gerth, Hammer			
Team 1	February 17	Kingsley*, Cotey, K Hummel, Jens, Markert			
Team 2	February 21	Dykema*, Greenwald, Kelling, Ruchti			