

Lord's Day Service

April 22, 2012

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**

John 21:1-14

*** Hymn of Praise**

Trinity Hymnal, #50
Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

*** Salutation & Responsive Scripture**

Minister: He is risen!

People: **He is risen indeed!**

Luke 24:6, 34

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.**

Psalms 124:8

Minister: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and
of the Holy Spirit!

People: **Amen!**

Matthew 28:19

Purification – We Confess Our Sins to God

Almighty God, my heavenly Father, you are rich in mercy to all those who call upon you; hear me as I come to you humbly confessing my sins, and imploring your mercy and forgiveness. I have broken your holy laws by my deeds and by my words, and by the sinful affections of my heart. I confess before you my disobedience and ingratitude, my pride and willfulness, and all my failures and shortcomings toward you and toward my family and friends. Have mercy upon me, most merciful Father; and of your great goodness grant that I may hereafter serve and please you in newness of life; grant me this, I pray, through the mediation of Jesus Christ my Savior and 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: Lift up your hearts!

Psalms 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 so to do!**

Psalms 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**

Trinity Hymnal, #53
Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah

*** Prayer**

Almighty Father, who gave your only Son to die for our sins and to rise for our justification: Give us grace so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness, that we may always serve you in pureness of living and truth; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

*** Lesson from the Old Testament**

1 Kings 16:15-34

*** Lesson from the New Testament**

Romans 1:16-32

Sermon

“The Degeneration of Idolatry”

Tribute – We Offer Ourselves through Tithes

*** Hymn of Consecration**

*Psalter, #106E (5 stanzas x'x')
At Meribah They Angered Him*

***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 (inside hymnal cover)

*** Hymn of Thanksgiving**

Psalter, #106A
O Praise the LORD

Benediction – God Commissions & Blesses Us

*** The Lord's Commission of Us**

Matthew 28:18-20

*** 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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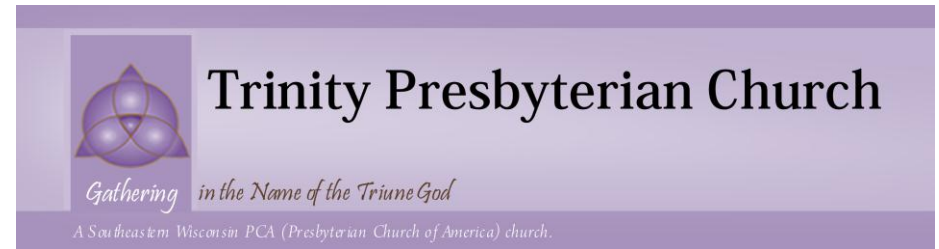
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JESUS IS RISEN!

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 – April 22, 2012

"The Degeneration of Idolatry" Text: 1 Kings 16:15-34

1. *By the transgression of a land many are its princes...* (Pro 28:2)
 - A. Three new kings in a single _____: Baasha, Zimri, Omri (16:8-20)
 - B. Three princes competing for the throne: Zimri, Omri, Tibni (16:15-22)

2. *When the wicked are multiplied, transgression increases...*: Jeroboam, Jezebel, Jericho (Pro 29:16)
 - A. Omri, a counterfeit _____, *did worse than all who were before him.* (23-28)
 - B. Ahab, a counterfeit _____, *did evil in the sight of the LORD, more than all who were before him.* (29-34)

3. *The king's heart is in the hand of the LORD...* (Pro 21:1; Ro 9:6-16)

What makes the difference between the house of Omri/ Ahab and the house of David?

God's _____ & freedom of His will.

Announcements

Sunday School

Today during Sunday School pastor will give an overview of the Book of Joshua. This week's Scripture readings will prepare you for next week's lesson on Judges and Ruth.

Monday: Judges 1-2
Tuesday: Judges 3-4
Wednesday: Judges 6-7
Thursday: Judges 15-16
Friday: Ruth 1 & 4

Scripture Memory

Scripture memory: Our text is Matthew 5:1-12. This week review v 1-5 and memorize v 6:

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be filled.

Notes: In Mary's Magnificat, she says the Lord "has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich He has sent away empty" (Lu 1:53). Jesus said to the Pharisees, "I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners, to repentance" (Lu 5:31). The Lord fills up the humble and justifies them (Lu 18:9-14), because they seek righteousness from the Lord and do not trust in their own. God has created us with hunger and thirst, both physical and spiritual. Does your soul thirst for God? Do you seek first His righteousness (Mt 6:33)? If you are thirsty, drink from His Word. If you are hungry, eat His Word, and your thoughts and ways will be changed and conformed to His thoughts and ways (Isa 55:1,6-9).

Ladies Study

Ladies Study will meet Tuesday, April 24th at 7 PM. Read Chapter 20 & 21 of "The Excellent Wife," and complete lesson 22 & 23 in the study guide. This will complete the study of this book, but save May 8th for a special session.

Set-up Teams

Set-up teams should arrive at 9:00 am Sunday mornings. If unavailable on your assigned week, please swap with another family and notify both team leaders (*).

NEXT WEEK:

Team 4 April 29 J Pennington*, Dietzel, Nader, Nagle, N Pennington

FOLLOWING WEEKS:

Team 5 May 6 S Reich*, Burie, Gerth, Reynoso
Team 1 May 13 Kingsley*, Cotey, K Hummel, Markert, Santarelli
Team 2 May 20 K Dykema*, Greenwald, Jens, Kelling, Ruchti
Team 3 May 27 J Hummel*, Cox, B Dykema, D Dykema, Zitzke