

Lord's Day Service

May 6, 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** 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

*** Hymn of Praise** Psalter, #135B
Hallelujah! Praise the LORD's Name!

*** 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. Psalm 124:8

Minister: The eyes of all look expectantly to You,
People: And You give them their food in due season.

Minister: You open Your hand
People: And satisfy the desire of every living thing. Ps 145:15-16

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 Father, Lord of heaven and earth; we confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for our transgressions of Your holy law. The remembrance of them is grievous unto us; the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, O God, after Your great goodness. According to the multitude of Your mercies, do away our offenses and cleanse us from our sins. And grant that we may hereafter serve and please You in newness of life, to the honor and glory of Your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord; for Jesus Christ's sake. 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 so to do! 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, #135C
Your Name, LORD Endures Forever

*** Prayer**
O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

*** Lesson from the Old Testament** 1 Kings 18:1-46

*** Lesson from the New Testament** Romans 9:14-24

Sermon "The Return of Elijah & Yahweh's Demonstration of Mercy"

Tribute – We Offer Ourselves through Tithes

*** Hymn of Consecration** Psalter, #97C
Jehovah Reigns

***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** Trinity Hymnal, #4
All Praise to God

Benediction – God Commissions & Blesses Us

* **The Lord's Commission of Us** 2 Timothy 2:24-25

* **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** **Doxology**

* **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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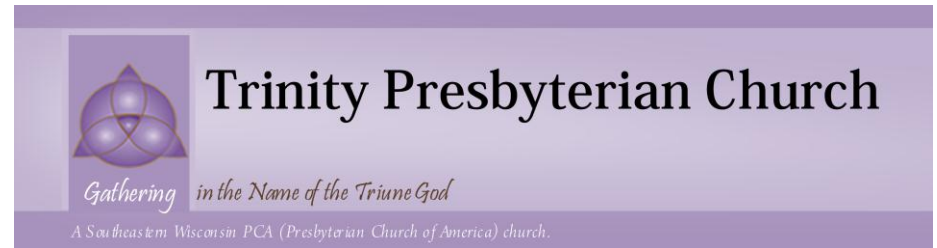
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JESUS IS RISEN!

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 – May 6, 2012

"The Return of Elijah & Yahweh's Demonstration of Mercy" Text: 1 Kings 18:1-46

1. The return of Elijah and the _____ of Yahweh to Israel
 - A. Elijah's meeting with _____ palace servant, Obadiah (1-16)
 - B. Elijah's _____ to Ahab to assemble Israel on Mt Carmel (17-19)
2. The return of _____ Israel to renew their commitment to Yahweh (20-40)
 - A. Who is in charge?
 - B. Why is Elijah back? What about _____? (2 Ti 2:25)
 - C. The need for a sin offering, fire and _____.
3. The return of Yahweh's _____ to the land and the return of the king
 - A. A _____ is the climax of covenant renewal (41-42)
 - B. Removal of the _____ (43-45)
 - C. The _____ and the return of the king: proper order of king and prophet restored (46)

Announcements

Sunday School

Today in Sunday School, pastor will give an overview of the Book of 1 & 2 Samuel. No Sunday School next week. This week's reading schedule is a review of Romans.
Monday: Romans 1 Tuesday: Romans 3, 5 Wednesday: Romans 6
Thursday: Romans 9-10 Friday: Romans 12, 15

Scripture Memory

Our text is Matthew 5:1-12. This week review v 1-7 and memorize v 8:

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

Notes: Jesus may have had Ps 24:3-6 in mind with this beatitude: *Who may ascend into the hill of the LORD? Or who may stand in His holy place? He who has clean hands and a pure heart...He shall receive blessing from the LORD...who seek Your face.* The Psalmist exhorts us to pure thoughts and actions, but "being" must precede "doing." Only the pure, holy, harmless, undefiled God can cleanse and purify a sinner from the defilement of his sin. Only then can we stand righteous before God and "see" Him face to face. Being pure or becoming pure is accomplished by *His mercy. He saves us, through the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit.* Then, we can *purify our souls in obeying the truth* (1 Pe 1:22), and one day we shall see God (1 Jn 3:2).

Ladies Study

Ladies Study will meet Tuesday, May 8th at 7 PM. Judy Cox will be talking about journaling. On May 22nd we will begin a new study, "Paul's Letters to Maturing Churches: Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians and 1 & 2 Thessalonians." Please contact Barb Hummel by May 15th to order a study guide.

Fellowship Meal

Following morning services next week we will have our Fellowship Meal. Each family should bring their assigned food item to serve 12; if you have a large family, please bring a larger portion. Following are the meal preparation assignments:

Casseroles – Team 4, 5, 1; Salad & Bread – Team 3; Dessert – Team 2
Kitchen management & downstairs clean-up – Team 4

As always, please let your team leader know if you cannot attend so food assignments can be adjusted as needed.

Men's Forum

Next Sunday night, 7 PM. Nathan Pennington will lead a discussion on "Preparedness for Civil Instability."

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 1 May 13 Kingsley*, Cotey, K Hummel, Markert, Santarelli

FOLLOWING WEEKS:

Team 2 May 20

K Dykema*, Greenwald, Jens, Kelling, Ruchti

Team 3 May 27

J Hummel*, Cox, B Dykema, D Dykema, Zitzke

Team 4 June 3

J Pennington*, Dietzel, Nader, Nagle, N Pennington

Team 5 May 6

S Reich*, Burie, Gerth, Reynoso