



Trinity Presbyterian Church PCA

Gathering in the Name of the Triune God

July 19, 2020



The Tree of Life

In the Bible, trees are given to man for food and medicine as well as beauty and shade. Trees are an emblem of God's glory in the world and so are fitting symbols of God's people. We can flourish "like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither" (Psalm 1:3). The growth of the kingdom is likened to a rising, spreading tree (Ezek. 17; Matt. 13:31-32). Adam's fall severed us from access to the Tree of Life, but united to Christ we again have access to its life-giving fruit (Rev. 22:2). The Tree of Life is a symbol of Jesus. The time between Pentecost and Advent is called Trinity Season. The color green is used to symbolize life, growth, and the maturation of Jesus' kingdom.

LORD's Day Service – July 19, 2020

Preparation for Worship: 1 Peter 4:19

Entrance – God Calls Us; we gather together and praise Him

* *Call to Worship* Psalm 22:21-31

Minister: Grace to you and peace, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Amen!

Minister: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

Minister: Our help is in the Name of the Lord!

Congregation: Who made heaven and earth!

* *Hymn* Psalter, #92C
It's Good to Thank the LORD

**Purification - God Cleanses Us; we confess our sins to Him
and are forgiven in Christ**

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

But if we confess our sins, God, Who is faithful and just, will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 1 Peter 4:15

Let us kneel before the Lord our God. *(Those unable to kneel may be seated.)*

Most merciful God, I confess to You that I am by nature sinful and unclean, and that I have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed; not only in outward transgressions, but also in secret thoughts and desires that I am not able to understand, but which are all known to You. For this reason, I flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring and receiving Your grace, through my Lord Jesus Christ. Amen!

(Silent, personal confession of sin)

Assurance of Pardon 1 Peter 1:6-8; 18-19

Minister: Beloved, your sins are forgiven through Christ.

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

Minister: Lift up your hearts!

Congregation: We lift them up to the Lord!

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

Congregation: It is proper and right to do so!

Truly it is our greatest joy to give thanks to You at all times and in every situation, O Lord, holy Father, Almighty and everlasting God; Only You can cleanse us and fill us with joy. Therefore, with all saints on earth and the heavenly host, we praise Your holy name and join their glorious song, singing:

**The Sanctus* (inside hymnal and psalter cover)

Hymn Psalter, #22C (5 stanzas)
Be Not Far Off, for Grief Is Near

Let us pray: **O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of Your people who call upon You, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen!**

God Consecrates by His Word; we listen & offer ourselves to Him

Old Testament Lesson Daniel 6:10-18
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

Epistle Lesson 1 Peter 4:7-19
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

* *Gospel Lesson* Mark 6:14-32
The Word of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ!

Sermon "Darius, Daniel and Lions"

* *Hymn* Psalter, #28A
I Cry to You, O LORD, my Rock

* *Dedication of Tithes & Offerings*

Prayers of the Church Requests & Lord's Prayer

Peace - God Communes with Us; we eat at His table

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

We Confess Our Faith in the Triune, Incarnate God Creed (inside hymnal cover)

* Hymn Psalter, #116A
I Love the LORD because He Heard

Benediction - God Commissions & Blesses Us; we march out to serve Him

* *The Lord's Commission of Us* Psalm 37:1-2, 5-6

* *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*

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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