



# Trinity Presbyterian Church PCA

Gathering in the Name of the Triune God

November 1, 2020



Luther designed this rose seal to represent his theology. By the early 1520s, it begins to appear on the title page of his works. He explains its meaning in a letter to Lazarus Spengler, July 8, 1530: *First, there is a black cross in a heart that remains its natural color. This is to remind me that it is faith in the Crucified One that saves us. Anyone who believes from the heart will be justified (Romans 10:10). It is a black cross, which mortifies and causes pain, but it leaves the heart its natural color. It doesn't destroy nature, that is to say, it does not kill us but keeps us alive, for the just shall live by faith in the Crucified One (Romans 1:17). The heart should stand in the middle of a white rose. This is to show that faith gives joy, comfort, and peace—it puts the believer into a white, joyous rose. Faith does not give peace and joy like the world gives (John 14:27). This is why the rose must be white, not red. White is the color of the spirits and angels (cf. Matthew 28:3; John 20:12). This rose should stand in a sky-blue field, symbolizing that a joyful spirit and faith is a beginning of heavenly, future joy, which begins now, but is grasped in hope, not yet fully revealed. Around the field of blue is a golden ring to symbolize that blessedness in heaven lasts forever and has no end. Heavenly blessedness is exquisite, beyond all joy and better than any possessions, just as gold is the most valuable and precious metal.*

LORD's Day Service – November 1, 2020

Preparation for Worship: *Daniel 4:24-25, 34-35*

## Entrance – God Calls Us into His presence; we respond with praise

\* *Call to Worship*

Psalm 33:1-15

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*

Trinity Hymnal, #616  
*God of Our Fathers*

## Purification - God Cleanses Us; we confess our sins to Him

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.**

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

**Remember, O LORD, what has come upon us; Look, and behold our reproach! Our inheritance has been turned over to aliens, and our houses to foreigners...We pay for the water we drink...we labor and have no rest. We have given our hand to foreigners to be satisfied with food. Our fathers sinned and are no more, but we bear their iniquities. Servants rule over us...We get our bread at the risk of our lives...The joy of our heart has ceased; our dance has turned into mourning. Woe to us, for we have sinned. Because of this our heart is faint. You, O LORD, remain forever; Your throne from generation to generation. Why do You forget us forever, and forsake us for so long a time? Turn us back to You, O LORD, and we will be restored; renew our days as of old, unless You have utterly rejected us, and are very angry with us.**  
*(from Lamentations 5)*

*(Silent prayer)*

*Assurance of Pardon*

Beloved, your sins are forgiven through Christ.

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

**Ascension - God Consecrates us by His Word; we listen & offer ourselves to Him**

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* Trinity Hymnal, #618  
*To Thee, Our God, We Fly*

Let us pray: **Almighty and everlasting God, Whose will it is to restore all things in Your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under His most gracious rule; Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen!**

*Old Testament Lesson* Proverbs 8:15-16; Psalm 118:8-9; 146:3-4  
The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**

*Epistle Lesson* Romans 9:1-3, 17-21; 13:1-7  
The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**

\* *Gospel Lesson* John 18:33-38; 19:10-11  
The Word of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, O Christ!**

*Sermon* "Princes Get their Rule from Christ; Don't Trust Princes"

\* *Hymn* Trinity Hymnal, #619  
*Almighty God, Thy Lofty Throne*

\* *Dedication of Tithes & Offerings*

*Prayers of the Church* Requests & Lord's Prayer

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

*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* Trinity Hymnal, #621  
*Great King of Nations*

**Exit - God Commissions & Blesses Us; we go out to serve Him**

\* *The Lord's Commission of Us* Jude 3b

\* *We Receive God's Blessing, His Good Word to Us* Jude 24-25

\* *We bless the Lord, lifting hands and voices to Him* *Gloria Patri*

\* *Threefold Amen*

**Announcements**

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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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