

Trinity Presbyterian Church

An Inviting Community Following Christ For Life Loving God, Welcoming All, Helping Many

AS GOD'S PEOPLE, WE COME TO WORSHIP

Prelude

Welcome The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

Introit Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Mahalo Ukulele Band with Julia Clarke James, flute

WITH HOPE, WE ADORE THE LORD OUR GOD

Call To Worship

Jenny Foley PW Moderator

Sisters and brothers, we belong to the Living God. God is our highest good and greatest joy.

Followers of Christ, we share in a holy communion. God is our redeemer who has made us spiritual siblings.

Friends, we are the temple of the Spirit of God.

God had made his home within us and is our eternal Home.

Prayer of Adoration

Michele Strobel

God, we are grateful for your steadfast love Board of Deacons Moderator for us and the entire world.

We know that your compassion is boundless because of what you have shown us in Jesus Christ.

Send the Holy Spirit among us this morning so we might experience your loving presence and so find strength to serve you in faith, hope and love. Hear us, powerful Lord, for we ask this in the Name of Christ Jesus the Lord. Amen.

*Opening Hymn (see below)

Here I Am to Worship

Light of the world, You step down into darkness. Opened my eyes let me see. Beauty that made this heart adore you hope of a life spent with you.

[Refrain]

Here I am to worship, here I am to bow down, Here I am to say that you're my God, You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy, altogether wonderful to me.

King of all days, Oh so highly exalted Glorious in heaven above. Humbly you came to the earth you created. All for love's sake became poor. [Refrain]

And I'll never know how much it cost to see my sin upon that cross. And I'll never know how much it cost to see my sin upon that cross.

[Refrain] [Refrain]

Backpack Blessing

Celina Albert ONE: Children of the Living God: the Gospel is good news Church School for every age and every stage.

ALL: Let us worship together, the young and the old.

ONE: The good news is proclaimed in God's words, and also with markers, new books, songs and recess time.

ALL: Let us worship together, every generation.

ONE: We come together with different abilities, learning in a rainbow of ways and styles.

ALL: Let us worship together, with our family of faith.

ONE: All are welcome in the arms of Christ who proclaimed, "Let the children come!"

ALL: Let us worship together, united in our eternal hope.

Morning Psalm

Psalm 103:13-22

Donna Wasik

Racial Equity Group

As a father has compassion for his children, so the LORD has compassion for those who fear him.

For he knows how we were made: he remembers that we are dust.

As for mortals, their days are like grass; they flourish like a flower of the field; for the wind passes over it, and it is gone, and its place knows it no more.

But the steadfast love of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting on those who fear him, and his righteousness to children's children, to those who keep his covenant and remember to do his commandments.

The LORD has established his throne in the heavens, and his kingdom rules over all.

Bless the LORD, O you his angels, you mighty ones who do his bidding, obedient to his spoken word.

Bless the LORD, all his hosts, his ministers that do his will. Bless the LORD, all his works, in all places of his dominion. Bless the LORD, O my soul.

Anthem

Day by Day Rally Day Choir

Schwartz

Children Grade 1-5 will be dismissed to Church School at this time. Church School teachers will be at the rear sanctuary doors to escort your child to downstairs. Children may be picked up by their parents in the downstairs church school classrooms by 10:45 am.

Call to Confession

Cory Ebiri Senior Highs

Cory Ebiri

Prayer of Confession

Holy and righteous God,
we confess that we have too often forgotten that we are yours,
so we ask your forgiveness
and we also ask for your strength.
Give us clear minds and open hearts
so we may witness to You in our world.
Remind us to be who You would have us be

regardless of what we are doing or who we are with. Hold us to You and build our relationship with You and with those You have given us on earth and then we will live our thanksgiving in all that we do.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of God's Mercy

Elder Jenny Stark Clerk of Session

Dearly beloved,

This is the Good News of God for us:

God so loved the world that he gave His only begotten Son so we might have eternal life—now and forevermore.

Believe this divine promise anew: In Christ, we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God.

*Gloria Patri No. 579

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

HEARING GOD'S HOLY WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Madison Oster Middle School

Creator God, in the beginning your Spirit moved over the chaos and brought forth order and beauty. Grant us the gift of that same Holy Spirit that we might hear your Word and find the jumble of our lives set right by your commands and made beautiful by your message of love.

This we ask through Christ Jesus, our Redeeming Lord. Amen.

First Scripture Lesson

Genesis 50:15-21

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

This is the Word of the Lord.

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Thanks be to God!

Second Testament Lesson

Matthew 18:21-35

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

This is the Word of the Lord.

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Thanks be to God!

Anthem

Nothing More

arr. Rabuse

Brian Kain and Lisa Marcelli, duet

Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

RESPONDING TO CHRIST'S CALL

We worship the God who was, we worship the God who is We worship the God who evermore will be. He opened the prison doors, He parted the raging sea, My God, He holds the victory.

[Refrain]

There's joy in the house of the Lord
There's joy in the house of the Lord today
And we won't be quiet, we shout out Your praise
There's joy in the house of the Lord
Our God is surely in this place
And we won't be quiet, we shout out Your praise.

We sing to the God who heals, We sing to the God who saves We sing to the God who always makes a way. 'Cause He hung up on that cross, then He rose up from that grave, My God's still rolling stones away.

[Refrain]

We were the beggars, now we're royalty. We were the prisoners, now we're running free. We are forgiven, accepted, redeemed by His grace. Let the house of the Lord sing praise.

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*Profession of Faith The Apostle's Creed The Rev. Dr. Faulkner I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Call to Present Our Offering

Steve Skill Men's Group

Prayer of Dedication

Eileen Rankin Care 'n Share Shop

Offertory Anthem

Praise To the Lord, the Almighty
Rejoicing Ringers

arr. Ingram

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

The Rev. Ms. Craven

GOING OUT TO SERVE IN THE SPIRIT'S POWER

*Sending Hymn

The Days of Elijah

These are the days of Elijah, declaring the Word of the Lord. And these are the days of Your servant, Moses, righteousness being restored. And though these are days of great trials, of famine and darkness and sword, Still we are the voice in the desert crying, "Prepare ye the way of the Lord."

[Refrain]

Behold He comes, riding on the clouds, shining like the sun at the trumpet call. So lift your voice, it's the year of Jubilee, and out of Zion's hill salvation comes.

And these are the days of Ezekiel, the dry bones becoming as flesh. And these are the days of Your servant David, rebuilding a temple of praise. And these are the days of the harvest, the fields are as white in Your world. And we are the laborers in Your vineyard, declaring the Word of the Lord.

[Refrain]

There is no god like Jehovah, There is no god like Jehovah, There is no god like Jehovah. There is no god like Jehovah. There is no god like Jehovah, There is no god like Jehovah, There is no god like Jehovah. There is no god like Jehovah. [Refrain] [Refrain]

*Charge and Pastoral Benediction

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

(The congregation will please be seated.)

Silent Prayer

Postlude

*Those who are able may stand.

Thank you to Spenser Forwood on drums, and all the Trinity musicians and readers who participated in this morning's service.

TRINITY AT WORK AND WORSHIP

An Inviting Community Serving Christ For Life Loving God, Welcoming All, Helping Many

The Rev. Dr. Gregory C. Faulkner, Senior Pastor/Head of Staff
The Rev. Ms. Sarah Craven, Associate Pastor
The Rev. Dr. James D. O'Dell, Pastor Emeritus
Jenny Stark, Clerk of Session
Lisa K. Marcelli, Director of Music
Brian Kain, Music Associate

Let Us Pray for Members of Our Church Family: Camrynn Curl, Elaine Lippincott, Carol Murray, Beverly Whipple, Nancy Morton, Doris Crozier, Liz Gyswyt, Nancy Applegate, Marguerite Houck, Marty Flynn, Roberta Ritchie, Melinda Hall, Dorothy Rathje, Phyllis Johnson, Bill & Susan Greenwood, Betty Young, Erica Heyer, Dale Long, Linda Thorpe, Gloria Wolbach, Nancy Hickman.

Friends and Family: Loretta Johnson (former long-term member), Martha Delaney (Debby and Steve Talbott's niece), Nancy McIlvain (Kathy Eddleman's sister), Larry Carter (Emily Carter's uncle), Tristan Kabai-Tokes, Matt Ruggles, Myrna Roberts (Nancy Roberts' sister-in-law), Joan Malloy (Nancy Roberts' friend), Chuck Inman (Mary Jane Inman's son), Richard Emrey (Susan Bastnagel's brother), Billy Seifert (Henderson family friend), Charles Porcaro (Ben Rieth's brother in law), Jeff Mailahn (Cindy and Al Mailahn's son), Eileen McSparran (Kathy Eddleman's sister-in-law), Linda and Brian Kent (Gail Van Dyke's sister-in-law), Laurie Duffin (Gail and Bruce Van Dyke's friend), Elaine Good (Opal Stockwell's sister), Susan F. Heilshorn (Janet Cohen's sister-in-law), Kathy Kellmer and Toni Rath (Janet Cohen's friends), Mel Haines (Marguerite Houck's friend), Michael Fisher (Carol Parsons' nephew), David Behrens & Kelly Behrens (Ed Behrens' son & daughter), Ilene Kreafle (Wilson family friend), Jan (George Sanders' friend), Terri Skill (Steve Skill's wife), Richard D'Eustachio (Carol D'Eustachio's husband).

Let us pray for all those of our Trinity family who are serving in the United States Military: Cory Allen, Connor Barnes, Aaron Bill, Tyler Parsons and Connor Strobel. We thank them all for their service to our country.

Pastoral Care – Dr. Faulkner is available to you for prayer, counsel and comfort in times of need. If there is an urgent need, contact Dr. Faulkner at 609-273-8110.

Please silence all electronic equipment during the worship service.

Please remember to sign the Fellowship Register. Maintaining connections with our membership is critical to the health of our community, so thank you for helping us with this important outreach by signing in every time you attend worship!

Signing in online using the QR code? Remember, if you're a Trinity member, youdon't need to fill out the entire form—just type in your first and last name.

Visit our website at www.trinpres.org for all of the current news, information and updates about everything that's going on at Trinity!

PLEASE notify the church office if your address, email or phone number changes. You can email Pam Dougherty at pam.dougherty@trinpres.org **OR** you can indicate any changes on the Fellowship Register sheets. Thank you!

Easy Tithe, our online giving option, allows you to make your offering electronically.

This option makes giving more convenient for you and can be accessed through your computer, tablet and cell phone. To sign up, go to Trinity's home page and click on "Online Giving" or go directly to www.easytithe.com/trinpres.

An *EasyTithe* app is also available for download to your tablet or cell phone. Once you're set up, you can also text a gift in one simple step! Our phone number for text giving is 856-238-5444.

You can now go right to the EasyTithe giving portal by using the QR code below. Simply turn your camera on your phone and direct it to the code and the link to the website will come right up!



Church School Schedule

All Church School rooms located in main building. Pick up is immediately after the conclusion of the service

Room #6 **Summer Church School** Nursery care - through Kindergarten

***Parents, please drop off children kindergarten age and younger at their classroom before the service.

Grades 1-6 will remain in worship. Regular Church School resumes 9/10.

Monthly Rotation of Worship, Learning, and Service For Grade School-Age Children

1st Sunday of Every Month: Mission Sunday

2nd Sunday of Every Month: Family Church

3rd Sunday of Every Month: Church School

4th Sunday: Let's Worship Together



Preschoolers & Kindergartners: Church School for pre-K through Kindergarten takes place in a classroom under the sanctuary. On the second Sunday of each month, these children participate with their families in Family Church.

Nursery (Birth - Age 2): The nursery is supervised by adult volunteers. It is equipped with its own restroom and changing table as well as age-appropriate toys.



RALLY DAY!

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17 BACKPACK
BLESSING
DURING
WORSHIP!

RALLY DAY PICNIC!
HOT DOGS & DRINKS
PROVIDED: BRING A
SIDE DISH TO SHARE

EXPLORE
OPPORTUNITIES FOR
MISSION, SERVICE,
FELLOWSHIP, MUSIC,
LEARNING, AND MORE!

FACE PAINTING!

MR. SOFTEE!!

BOOKSMILES BIN
RIBBON CUTTING!
BRING BOOKS
TO DONATE!

Make a Joyful Noise to the Lord!

How will you make music at Trinity?!





Wednesdays at 7:30 pm



Wednesdays at 6:45pm

Children's Rehearsals

Cherub Choir - Pre-K and Kindergarten;

Thursday 4:30-5:00pm

Carol & Team Choir - 1st-5th grade;

Thursday 5:00-5:30pm

Team Bells - 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade;

Thursday 5:30-6:00pm

Youth Choir - 6th -12th grade; Sundays 10:45am-11:15am Youth Bell Ensemble 6th -12th grade; Sundays 11:15am-11:45am

Youth Instrumental Ensemble 6th -12th grade;

Rehearsal Dates to be Announced

Trinity Band and Mahalo Ukulele Band

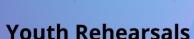
Rehearsal Dates to be Announced

Programs start September 20th

More Information Contact: Lisa Marcelli, Director of Music, lisa.marcelli@trinpres.org



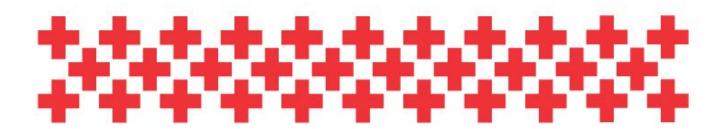






American Red Cross

Give blood. Help save lives.



Blood Drive Trinity Presbyterian Church

Community Hall 499 E. Route 70 Cherry Hill, NJ 08034

Monday, October 2, 2023 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: Trinity Presbyterian to schedule an appointment.



Fall into giving blood Oct 1 thru 20 get \$15 Amazon.com Gift Card by email. See rcblood.org/together



Trinity News and Notes

<u>MISSION THURSDAY CONTINUES</u> The Mission & Outreach Committee has decided to continue Mission Thursday through the fall Cathedral Kitchen has expressed their gratitude many times for our congregation's tremendous support.

Next Mission Thursday: September 21st

Thank you for your support!

LAST DAY TO SIGN— UP for NYC BUS TRIP: All are welcome!

Look a What's Happening at Trinity this Fall!

Rally Day: September 17th

Picnic, Backpack Blessing, and Book Smiles Drive

Music Programs Start: September 20th

Mission Sunday: October 1st

CROP WALK: October 8th

Deacon's Blood Drive: October 2nd

2pm-7pm

DW NYC BUS TRIP: October 18th

Fall Festival of Thanksgiving: November 5th

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