



Trinity Church

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THE LORD'S DAY

FEBRUARY 2, 2025

REFLECTION & PREPARATION

*CALL TO WORSHIP.....FROM PSALM 139:1-4, 7-8, 13-18, 23-24

O LORD, you have searched me and known me! You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from afar.

You search out my path and my lying down and are acquainted with all my ways. Even before a word is on my tongue, behold, O Lord, you know it altogether.

Where shall I go from your Spirit? Or where shall I flee from your presence? If I ascend to heaven, you are there! If I make my bed in Sheol, you are there!

For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother's womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.

Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well. My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth.

Your eyes saw my unformed substance; in your book were written every one of them, the days that were formed for me, when as yet there was none of them.

How precious to me are your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them! If I would count them, they are more than the sand. I awake, and I am still with you.

Search me, O God, and know my heart! Try me and know my thoughts!

ALL: And see if there be any grievous way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting!

*GLORIA PATRI

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.

*INVOCATION

*HYMN OF PRAISEJOIN ALL THE GLORIOUS NAMES
No. 111

*HYMN OF JOYFUL WORSHIPBEHOLD OUR GOD

WORDS & MUSIC: JONATHAN RYAN, MEGHAN BAIRD, & STEPHEN ALLOTROPE

Who has held the oceans in His hands? Who has numbered every grain of sand?
Kings and nations tremble at His voice; All creation rises to rejoice

Behold our God, seated on His throne Come, let us adore Him
Behold our King, nothing can compare Come, let us adore Him!

Who has given counsel to the Lord? Who can question any of His words?
Who can teach the One who knows all things? Who can fathom all His wondrous deeds?

Who has felt the nails upon His hands bearing all the guilt of sinful man?
God eternal, humbled to the grave; Jesus, Savior, risen now to reign!

MEN: You will reign forever
WOMEN: Let Your glory fill the earth

SCRIPTURE READING.....PROVERBS 9

READER: The Word of the Lord
CONGREGATION: **Thanks be to God**

HYMN OF ADORATION.....I AM THINE, O LORD
No. 358

VISITATION SCHEDULE		
WEEK OF FEBRUARY 3-9	WEEK OF FEBRUARY 10-16	WEEK OF FEBRUARY 17-23
John Mark & Shea Patrick	Dan & Gresha Steffen	Chris & Tamara Rickenbaker

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

Everlasting Father, you have made us for yourself,
so that our hearts are restless until they rest in you.
We confess that we have been foolish, and strayed from you
and have wandered on our own way.
But you have been merciful to us by sending your only begotten Son
to take the form of a servant, and to be obedient even to death on a cross.
We confess that we have not faithfully loved you,
or adequately cared for our neighbors.
We have not had the same mind that was in Christ, or shared in his humility.
Pour out, therefore, your grace upon us
that we might enjoy purity of heart and strength of purpose,
that no selfish passion may hinder us from knowing you,
no weakness keep us from loving you;
and in your service find perfect freedom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Please silently confess your sin before the LORD.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDONMICAH 7:18-19

“Who is a God like you, pardoning iniquity and passing over transgression for the remnant
of his inheritance? He does not retain his anger forever, because he delights in steadfast love.

He will again have compassion on us; he will tread our iniquities underfoot.

You will cast all our sins into the depths of the sea.”

*HYMN OF ASSURANCE.....IT IS FINISHED

WORDS: JONATHAN EVANS & BENJAMIN FRANCIS MUSIC: JEFF KOONCE

Hark, the voice of love and mercy sounds aloud from Calvary!
See, it rends the rocks asunder shakes the earth and veils the sky!
“It is finished, it is finished,” hear the dying Savior cry.

“It is finished,” O what pleasure, do these charming words afford.
Heavenly blessings, without measure, flow to us from Christ the Lord.
“It is finished, it is finished,” saints the dying words record.

Finished all the types and shadows, of the ceremonial law
Finished all that God had promised; death and hell no more shall awe.
“It is finished, it is finished,” saints from hence your comfort draw.

Tune your harps anew, ye seraphs; join to sing the pleasing theme;
Saints on earth and all in heaven, join to praise Immanuel’s name.
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Glory to the bleeding lamb!

SHEPHERDING PRAYER.....RE MARK FORD

SERMON.....GENESIS 37:12-36

¹² Now his brothers went to pasture their father’s flock near Shechem. ¹³ And Israel said to Joseph, “Are not your brothers pasturing the flock at Shechem? Come, I will send you to them.” And he said to him, “Here I am.” ¹⁴ So he said to him, “Go now, see if it is well with your brothers and with the flock, and bring me word.” So he sent him from the Valley of Hebron, and he came to Shechem. ¹⁵ And a man found him wandering in the fields. And the man asked him, “What are you seeking?” ¹⁶ “I am seeking my brothers,” he said. “Tell me, please, where they are pasturing the flock.” ¹⁷ And the man said, “They have gone away, for I heard them say, ‘Let us go to Dothan.’” So Joseph went after his brothers and found them at Dothan.

¹⁸ They saw him from afar, and before he came near to them they conspired against him to kill him. ¹⁹ They said to one another, “Here comes this dreamer. ²⁰ Come now, let us kill him and throw him into one of the pits. Then we will say that a fierce animal has devoured him, and we will see what will become of his dreams.” ²¹ But when Reuben heard it, he rescued him out of their hands, saying, “Let us not take his life.” ²² And Reuben said to them, “Shed no blood; throw him into this pit here in the wilderness, but do not lay a hand on him”—that he might rescue him out of their hand to restore him to his father. ²³ So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe, the robe of many colors that he wore. ²⁴ And they took him and threw him into a pit. The pit was empty; there was no water in it.

²⁵ Then they sat down to eat. And looking up they saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead, with their camels bearing gum, balm, and myrrh, on their way to carry it down to Egypt. ²⁶ Then Judah said to his brothers, “What profit is it if we kill our brother and conceal his blood? ²⁷ Come, let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and let not our hand be upon him, for he is our brother, our own flesh.” And his brothers listened to him. ²⁸ Then Midianite traders passed by. And they drew Joseph up and lifted him out of the pit, and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty shekels of silver. They took Joseph to Egypt.

²⁹ When Reuben returned to the pit and saw that Joseph was not in the pit, he tore his clothes ³⁰ and returned to his brothers and said, “The boy is gone, and I, where shall I go?” ³¹ Then they took Joseph’s robe and slaughtered a goat and dipped the robe in the blood. ³² And they sent the robe of many colors and brought it to their father and said, “This we have found; please identify whether it is your son’s robe or not.” ³³ And he identified it and said, “It is my son’s robe. A fierce animal has devoured him. Joseph is without doubt torn to pieces.” ³⁴ Then Jacob tore his garments and put sackcloth on his loins and mourned for his son many days. ³⁵ All his sons and all his daughters rose up to comfort him, but he refused to be comforted and said, “No, I shall go down to Sheol to my son, mourning.” Thus his father wept for him. ³⁶ Meanwhile the Midianites had sold him in Egypt to Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh, the captain of the guard.

SERMON NOTES

WHAT WERE YOU THINKING?!

GENESIS 37:12-36

WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING FOR?

- OUR DESPERATE NEED FOR RESCUE
- GOD'S SOVEREIGN HAND OVERRULING AND USING OUR SIN
- A RESCUE PLAN BUILT UPON NOTHING BUT **GRACE**

*HYMN OF RESPONSE.....CHRIST IS MINE FOREVERMORE

WORDS & MUSIC: JONNY ROBINSON AND RICH THOMPSON

Mine are days that God has numbered
I was made to walk with Him
Yet I look for worldly treasure And forsake the King of kings
But mine is hope in my Redeemer
Though I fall, his love is sure
For Christ has paid for every failing I am His forevermore

Mine are tears in times of sorrow
Darkness not yet understood
Through the valley I must travel
Where I see no earthly good
But mine is peace that flows from heaven
And the strength in times of need
I know my pain will not be wasted
Christ completes his work in me

Mine are days here as a stranger
Pilgrim on a narrow way
One with Christ I will encounter
Harm and hatred for his name
But mine is armor for this battle
Strong enough to last the war
And he has said he will deliver
Safely to the golden shore

**And mine are keys to Zion city
Where beside the King I walk
For there my heart has found its treasure
Christ is mine forevermore**

**Come rejoice now, O my soul
For his love is my reward
Fear is gone and hope is sure
Christ is mine forevermore!**

*BENEDICTION

BULLETIN BOARD

WOMEN'S CONFERENCE WITH AUTHOR JEN WILKIN IN MARCH

Author and Bible teacher Jen Wilkin will speak in Columbia on March 7 and 8 and we are hoping to get a group together to attend. Wilkin, who wrote and taught the Hebrews study Better that we used recently, will be joined by singer-songwriter Sandra McCracken during the two-day event at Shandon Baptist Church. See the sign-up sheet on the information counter for more details and please sign up soon.

SAVE THE DATE: MISSIONS EMPHASIS SUNDAY IS FEBRUARY 23

Save the date for this year's Missions Emphasis Sunday on February 23. Our time with missionaries will include services scheduled for Sunday School, Sunday worship hour, and Sunday evening. Visiting ministry partners will include Stan and Connie Beasley, Phil and Wendy Stogner, Scott and Victoria Andes, Pamyla Burrack, Calvin and Geeta, and Daphne Goodwin from Dazz. Stay tuned for more details.

HELP NEEDED WITH RUF-I MEALS

Trinity will be providing meals for international students at the University of South Carolina again during the spring semester. Meal dates are February 25, March 25 and April 15, all Tuesday evenings. If you can assist with preparing meals or delivering them to Columbia, please contact the office or Pastor John Mark.

2025 BIBLE READING PLAN AVAILABLE

Join us as we continue our three-year Bible reading plan and develop a new habit or reinforce an old one: reading God's word every day! The plan is simple - usually just one chapter a day. The Session is regularly praying for your growth in Christlikeness - God's Word is one of the primary means He uses to change our lives and make us more like Jesus. Reading His Word together provides both accountability and deeper fellowship in our body. Laminated copies of the 2025 plan are available on the information counter in the Narthex. A [link](#) to the reading plan is also on the church website.

REMEMBERING IN PRAYER THIS WEEK

Ministry Partner: Phil & Wendy Stogner - serving with MTW and the Free Church of Scotland

Our Troops: pray all of our troops and their chaplains around the world

Church of the week: Redeemer Presbyterian, Charleston; Craig Bailey, pastor

TRINITY FAMILY

Brush Babb: clear diagnosis and move to acute rehab facility

Joe Junquet: continued healing of his nerves

Melonie Anderson: recovering from recent knee replacement surgery

Claudia Wilkes: for her kidney function to continue at 25 percent to avoid dialysis, balance issues

Lawton Porter: ongoing therapy

Christie Churchwell: relief from headaches

THIS WEEK @ TRINITY

STAFF

John Mark Patrick, Pastor
 Dr. Sam Lambrecht, Families w/ Students
 Susan Ulmer, Women's Ministry
 Deborah Finkelstein, Pianist
 Karen Ford, Administrative Assistant
 Sandral Jackson, Bookkeeper

ELDERS

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 Evan Lambrecht
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 Chris Rickenbaker
 Jeff Watford

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Larry Adicks,
 Terri Morrell, Lyle Polson

CALENDAR

SUN 2/2	8:45AM 9:30AM 10:30AM	PRAYER SUNDAY SCHOOL MORNING WORSHIP
TUE 2/4	6:30AM	MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
WED 2/5	5:30PM	SOUP & SUPPLICATION
SUN 2/9	8:45AM 9:30AM 10:30AM	PRAYER SUNDAY SCHOOL MORNING WORSHIP

TRINITY READING TOGETHER

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
PROVERBS 10	PROVERBS 11	PROVERBS 12	PROVERBS 13	PROVERBS 14	PROVERBS 15

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