



Trinity Church

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building God's Church...blessing our community

THE LORD'S DAY

MARCH 23, 2025

REFLECTION & PREPARATION

*CALL TO WORSHIP.....FROM PSALMS 29 & 95

Ascribe to the LORD the glory due His name!

Worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.

The voice of the LORD is powerful; the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.

In His temple, all cry: "Glory!"

The LORD sits enthroned as king forever.

Oh, come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heavenly host,
praise Father Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*INVOCATION

*HYMNS OF PRAISE.....BE EXALTED, O GOD

No. 5

OUR GOD REIGNS

No. 229

*HYMN OF JOYFUL WORSHIPCOME PRAISE AND GLORIFY

MUSIC AND WORDS BY JOEL SCZEBEL AND PAT SCZEBEL

Come praise and glorify our God The Father of our Lord
In Christ He has in heav'nly realms His blessings on us poured
For pure and blameless in His sight He destined us to be
And now we've been adopted through His Son eternally

To the praise of Your glory
To the praise of Your mercy and grace
To the praise of Your glory
You are the God who saves

Come praise and glorify our God Who gives His grace in Christ
In Him our sins are washed away Redeemed through sacrifice
In Him God has made known to us The myst'ry of His will
That Christ should be the head of all His purpose to fulfill

Come praise and glorify our God For we've believed the Word
And through our faith we have a seal The Spirit of the Lord
The Spirit guarantees our hope Until redemption's done
Until we join in endless praise To God, the Three in One

*CONFESSION OF FAITH.....NICENE CREED¹

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds; God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God; begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made. Who, for us men for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life; who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets. And I believe one holy catholic² and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING.....SONG OF SOLOMON 6

READER: The Word of the Lord

CONGREGATION: **Thanks be to God**

HYMN OF ADORATION.....WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE IN JESUS

No. 435

¹The Nicene Creed originated at the Council of Nicea (325) and was formulated to answer heresies that denied the biblical doctrine of the Trinity and the person of Christ. ²The term catholic refers to the church universal, knowing no racial, economic, or geographic barriers.

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

**Loving Father, we confess that
sometimes we think we can do things all by ourselves
and sometimes we obsessively worry about things.
We forget that you give us everything we have
and that you make us who we are.
Please forgive us for thinking about ourselves first.
Please forgive us for not trusting you to take care of us.
Thank you for always loving us even when we forget that we need you.
In Jesus' name, Amen.**

Please silently confess your sin before the LORD.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON.....PSALM 103:10-12

“He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.”

*HYMN OF ASSURANCEJESUS, I MY CROSS HAVE TAKEN (VS 1-3)

WORDS: HENRY LYTE MUSIC: BILL MOORE

1. Jesus, I my cross have taken, All to leave and follow Thee.
Destitute, despised, forsaken, Thou from hence my all shall be.
Perish every fond ambition, All I've sought or hoped or known.
Yet how rich is my condition! God and heaven are still my own.
2. Let the world despise and leave me, They have left my Savior, too.
Human hearts and looks deceive me; Thou art not, like them, untrue.
O while Thou dost smile upon me, God of wisdom, love, and might,
Foes may hate and friends disown me, Show Thy face and all is bright.
3. Man may trouble and distress me, 'Twill but drive me to Thy breast.
Life with trials hard may press me; Heaven will bring me sweeter rest.
Oh, 'tis not in grief to harm me While Thy love is left to me;
Oh, 'twere not in joy to charm me, Were that joy unmixed with Thee.

SHEPHERDING PRAYER.....RE WOODY WATFORD

SERMON.....GENESIS 43

¹ Now the famine was severe in the land. ² And when they had eaten the grain that they had brought from Egypt, their father said to them, “Go again, buy us a little food.” ³ But Judah said to him, “The man solemnly warned us, saying, ‘You shall not see my face unless your brother is with

you.’ ⁴ If you will send our brother with us, we will go down and buy you food. ⁵ But if you will not send him, we will not go down, for the man said to us, ‘You shall not see my face, unless your brother is with you.’” ⁶ Israel said, “Why did you treat me so badly as to tell the man that you had

another brother?” ⁷ They replied, “The man questioned us carefully about ourselves and our kindred, saying, ‘Is your father still alive? Do you have another brother?’ What we told him was in answer to these questions. Could we in any way know that he would say, ‘Bring your brother down?’” ⁸ And Judah said to Israel his father, “Send the boy with me, and we will arise and go, that we may live and not die, both we and you and also our little ones. ⁹ I will be a pledge of his safety. From my hand you shall require him. If I do not bring him back to you and set him before you, then let me bear the blame forever. ¹⁰ If we had not delayed, we would now have returned twice.”

¹¹ Then their father Israel said to them, “If it must be so, then do this: take some of the choice fruits of the land in your bags, and carry a present down to the man, a little balm and a little honey, gum, myrrh, pistachio nuts, and almonds. ¹² Take double the money with you. Carry back with you the money that was returned in the mouth of your sacks. Perhaps it was an oversight. ¹³ Take also your brother, and arise, go again to the man. ¹⁴ May God Almighty grant you mercy before the man, and may he send back your other brother and Benjamin. And as for me, if I am bereaved of my children, I am bereaved.”

¹⁵ So the men took this present, and they took double the money with them, and Benjamin. They arose and went down to Egypt and stood before Joseph.

¹⁶ When Joseph saw Benjamin with them, he said to the steward of his house, “Bring the men into the house, and slaughter an animal and make ready, for the men are to dine with me at noon.”

¹⁷ The man did as Joseph told him and brought the men to Joseph's house. ¹⁸ And the men were afraid because they were brought to Joseph's house, and they said, “It is because of the money, which was replaced in our sacks the first time, that we are brought in, so that he may assault us and fall upon us to make us servants and seize our donkeys.” ¹⁹ So they went up to the steward of Joseph's house and spoke with him at the door of the house, ²⁰ and said, “Oh, my lord, we came

down the first time to buy food. ²¹ And when we came to the lodging place we opened our sacks, and there was each man's money in the mouth of his sack, our money in full weight. So we have brought it again with us, ²² and we have brought other money down with us to buy food. We do not know who put our money in our sacks.” ²³ He replied, “Peace to you, do not be afraid. Your God and the God of your father has put treasure in your sacks for you. I received your money.” Then he brought Simeon out to them. ²⁴ And when the man had brought the men into Joseph's house and given them water, and they had washed their feet, and when he had given their donkeys fodder, ²⁵ they prepared the present for Joseph's coming at noon, for they heard that they should eat bread there.

²⁶ When Joseph came home, they brought into the house to him the present that they had with them and bowed down to him to the ground. ²⁷ And he inquired about their welfare and said, “Is your father well, the old man of whom you spoke? Is he still alive?” ²⁸ They said, “Your servant our father is well; he is still alive.” And they bowed their heads and prostrated themselves. ²⁹ And he lifted up his eyes and saw his brother Benjamin, his mother's son, and said, “Is this your youngest brother, of whom you spoke to me? God be gracious to you, my son!” ³⁰ Then Joseph hurried out, for his compassion grew warm for his brother, and he sought a place to weep. And he entered his chamber and wept there. ³¹ Then he washed his face and came out. And controlling himself he said, “Serve the food.” ³² They served him by himself, and them by themselves, and the Egyptians who ate with him by themselves, because the Egyptians could not eat with the Hebrews, for that is an abomination to the Egyptians. ³³ And they sat before him, the firstborn according to his birthright and the youngest according to his youth. And the men looked at one another in amazement. ³⁴ Portions were taken to them from Joseph's table, but Benjamin's portion was five times as much as any of theirs. And they drank and were merry with him.

SERMON NOTES

MIRROR, MIRROR ON THE WALL GENESIS 43

JACOB

THE BROTHERS

JOSEPH

***HYMN OF RESPONSE**JESUS, I MY CROSS HAVE TAKEN (vs 4-6)

4. Go, then, earthly fame and treasure,
Come disaster, scorn and pain
In Thy service, pain is pleasure,
With Thy favor, loss is gain
I have called Thee Abba Father,
I have stayed my heart on Thee
Storms may howl, and clouds may gather;
All must work for good to me.

5. Soul, then know thy full salvation
Rise o'er sin and fear and care
Joy to find in every station,
Something still to do or bear.
Think what Spirit dwells within thee,
Think what Father's smiles are thine,
Think that Jesus died to win thee,
Child of heaven, canst thou repine.

6. Haste thee on from grace to glory,
Armed by faith, and winged by prayer.
Heaven's eternal days before thee,
God's own hand shall guide us there.
Soon shall close thy earthly mission,
Soon shall pass thy pilgrim days,
Hope shall change to glad fruition,
Faith to sight, and prayer to praise.

***BENEDICTION**

BULLETIN BOARD

WORKDAY SCHEDULED

A church workday is planned for Saturday, April 12 from 8 am until noon. Contact Jeff Watford for more information.

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. Remaining meal dates are March 25 and April 15. 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.

VISITATION SCHEDULE

WEEK OF MARCH 24-30	WEEK OF MARCH 31-APRIL 6	WEEK OF APRIL 7-13
Sam & Karla Lambrecht	Susan Gonzalez	Sammie Edwards

REMEMBERING IN PRAYER THIS WEEK

Ministry Partner: Pamyla Burrack - serving with MTW in training new missionaries
Our Troops: pray all of our troops and their chaplains around the world
Church of the week: Grace Coastal Presbyterian, Okatie; without a pastor

TRINITY FAMILY

David Helms: recovery from foot surgery
Deborah Finkelstein: recovering at home
Brush Babb: continued strengthening and improvement
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: recovery from recent surgery
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

Mark Ford
 Sam Lambrecht
 Michael Salley

DEACONS

Jeff Folk
 Evan Lambrecht
 Frank Myers
 Chris Rickenbaker
 Jeff Watford

DEACON ASSISTANTS

Larry Adicks,
 Terri Morrell, Lyle Polson

CALENDAR

SUN 3/23	8:45AM 9:30AM 10:30AM	PRAYER SUNDAY SCHOOL MORNING WORSHIP
TUE 3/25	6:30AM	MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
WED 3/26	5:30PM	PRAYER
SUN 3/30	8:45AM 9:30AM 10:30AM	PRAYER SUNDAY SCHOOL MORNING WORSHIP

TRINITY READING TOGETHER

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
SONG OF SOLOMON 7-8	TITUS 1	TITUS 2	TITUS 3	ISAIAH 1	ISAIAH 2

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WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE
HERE!

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