



# Trinity Church

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building God's Church...blessing our community

THE LORD'S DAY

APRIL 11, 2021

## REFLECTION & PREPARATION

### **\*CALL TO WORSHIP** .....FROM PSALM 97

The LORD reigns, let the earth rejoice!

**Righteousness and justice are the foundation of  
His throne.**

The heavens proclaim His righteousness; and all the  
peoples see His glory.

**For You, O LORD, are most high over all the earth;  
You are exalted  
far above all gods.**

Rejoice in the LORD, O you righteous ones, and give  
thanks to His holy name

### **\*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 PRAISE** .....HOW GREAT THOU ART

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder  
Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made,  
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,  
Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed;

*Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee;  
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!  
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee;  
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!*

And when I think that God, His Son not sparing,  
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in,  
That on the cross my burden gladly bearing,  
He bled and died to take away my sin.

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation,  
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!  
Then I shall bow in humble adoration,  
And there proclaim, my God, how great Thou art.

**\*SONG OF JOYFUL WORSHIP .....HOW GREAT YOU ARE**

WORDS & MUSIC: TIM CHESTER AND BOB KAUFLIN

Our God is great, The Father of Creation  
His splendor fills the earth,  
The Lightning crash The thunder sings His praises,  
The galaxies can't help but shout His worth.

**My soul must sing to You an offering,  
How great You are  
My soul must sing, oh, let the heavens ring  
How great you are, Oh, how great You are.**

The Word made flesh, God's promise to the fallen  
He came with pow'r to save,  
The light of life was crushed for our rebellion  
He died our death and rose up from the grave.

Our King will come, With trumpet blasts resounding  
To claim His blood-washed bride  
He'll rend the skies, descending in His glory  
And in an instant faith will turn to sight.

## **CONFESSION OF FAITH.....THE APOSTLES' CREED<sup>1</sup>**

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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell<sup>2</sup>; 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 there he shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic<sup>3</sup> Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. AMEN.

## **MINISTRY PARTNER REPORT.....ELLEN HUCKS, CEF**

## **SCRIPTURE READING.....1 CHRONICLES 18**

<sup>1</sup>Although not written by the apostles, the Apostles' Creed is a concise summary of their teachings. It originated in the 2<sup>nd</sup> century and developed into its present form by the 6<sup>th</sup> century.

<sup>2</sup>By referring to Jesus' descent into hell, the Christian embraces three truths. First, we acknowledge the reality of Jesus' suffering 33 years of temptation. Second, he received the full sentence of hell on behalf of his people while on the cross. Thirdly, he experienced the reign of death by remaining in the tomb after the crucifixion.

<sup>3</sup>The term catholic refers to the church universal, knowing no racial, economic, or geographic barriers.

**HYMN OF ADORATION** .....I HEARD THE VOICE  
OF JESUS SAY

VERSES: HORATIUS BONAR      MUSIC: KEVIN TWIT

I heard the voice of Jesus say, come unto Me and rest;  
Lay down, O weary one lay down,  
your head upon My breast.

I came to Jesus as I was, so weary, worn and sad.  
I found in Him my resting place, and He has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, behold I freely give  
The living water; thirsty one, stoop down and drink and live.  
I came to Jesus, and I drank from that life-giving stream.  
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived,  
and now I live in Him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, I am this dark worlds light;  
Look unto Me, thy morn shall rise,  
and all thy days be bright.

I looked to Jesus and I found in Him my star, my sun;  
And in that light of life I'll walk 'til pilgrim days are done.

## **CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN**

Almighty and most merciful Father;  
we have erred and strayed from your ways  
like lost sheep.

We have followed too much the pattern of this world  
and the desires of our hearts.

We have broken your holy laws.

We have left undone those things  
that we ought to have done,  
and we have done those things  
that we ought not to have done.

There is no health in us.

O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders.

Restore to us the joy of our salvation;  
bind up that which is broken, give light to our minds,  
strength to our wills and rest to our souls,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please silently confess your sin before the LORD.

## **\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON .....ROMANS 6:5-7**

“For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. For one who has died has been set free from sin.”

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**\*HYMN OF ASSURANCE** .....BENEATH THE CROSS OF JESUS

WORDS: ELIZABETH C. CLEPHANE

MUSIC: CHRISTOPHER MINER

Beneath the cross of Jesus I fain would take my stand,  
The shadow of a mighty rock within a weary land;  
A home within the wilderness, a rest upon the way,  
From the burning of the noontide heat,  
and the burden of the day.

Upon the cross of Jesus, mine eye at times can see  
The very dying form of One Who suffered there for me;  
And from my stricken heart with tears  
two wonders I confess  
The wonders of redeeming love and my unworthiness.

I take, O cross, thy shadow for my abiding place:  
I ask no other sunshine than the sunshine of His face;  
Content to let the world go by to know no gain nor loss,  
My sinful self my only shame, my glory, all the cross.

**SHEPHERDING PRAYER**.....RE ALAN ULMER

**SERMON**.....GENESIS 1:1-2

<sup>1</sup> In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. <sup>2</sup>  
The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over  
the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over  
the face of the waters.

# SERMON NOTES

## (IN) **GLORIOUS BEGINNINGS** **GENESIS 1:1-2**

**WHY GENESIS?**

**GENESIS: BROAD OVERVIEW**

**THE BEGINNING**

**\*HYMN OF PREPARATION** .....YET NOT I BUT THROUGH  
CHRIST IN ME

WORDS AND MUSIC: JONNY ROBINSON, RICH THOMPSON AND MICHAEL FARREN

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer  
There is no more for heaven now to give  
He is my joy, my righteousness, and freedom  
My steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace  
To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus  
For my life is wholly bound to his  
Oh how strange and divine, I can sing: all is mine!  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

The night is dark but I am not forsaken  
For by my side, the Savior He will stay  
I labor on in weakness and rejoicing  
For in my need, His power is displayed  
To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me  
Through the deepest valley He will lead  
Oh the night has been won, and I shall overcome!  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven  
The future sure, the price it has been paid  
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon  
And He was raised to overthrow the grave  
To this I hold, my sin has been defeated  
Jesus now and ever is my plea  
Oh the chains are released, I can sing: I am free!  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

With every breath I long to follow Jesus  
For He has said that He will bring me home  
And day by day I know He will renew me  
Until I stand with joy before the throne  
To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus  
All the glory evermore to Him  
When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat:  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me!

## **THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION**

### **A WORD ABOUT COMMUNION AT TRINITY:**

This is a time for all people to seek the Lord. For Christians, Communion is a time to meet with their Savior by faith, to be strengthened and renewed by Him as they eat bread and drink juice. All baptized Christians who trust in Christ alone as their Savior and Lord, belong to a church that embraces the gospel, are at peace with their fellow neighbor, and seek strength and grace to live more faithfully to Christ, are invited to participate. If you are not a Christian, or if you are not prepared to share in this meal, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer and to consider more deeply your relationship to Jesus Christ. We also ask that children who have not yet publicly professed their faith in Christ refrain from partaking until doing so.

### **\*BENEDICTION**

## REMEMBERING IN PRAYER THIS WEEK

**Ministry Partners:** Ellen Hucks, CEF of Orangeburg, evangelizing and discipling boys and girls in Orangeburg and surrounding counties

**Our Troops:** pray for our troops and their chaplains around the world

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

## TRINITY FAMILY

**Les Carter:** recovering from surgery to repair a torn retina

**Sarah Hutto:** recovering from open heart surgery

**Melonie Anderson:** recovery from sinus surgery

**Frank Myers:** recovery from knee replacement surgery

**Jerry Smith:** pray for his blood pressure to be regulated, for continued memory recovery and improved physical abilities.

**Linda Wactor:** wisdom for doctors in managing her pain

**Claudia Wilkes:** recovering from ankle surgery

**Lawton Porter:** ongoing therapy, healing for foot

**Linda Wells:** neuropathy, improved stamina

**Christie Churchwell:** relief from headaches

FINANCIAL UPDATE	YR TO DATE GENERAL RECEIPTS \$108,881	MARCH GENERAL RECEIPTS \$14,312
	YR TO DATE GENERAL EXPENSES \$68,734	MARCH GENERAL EXPENSES \$29,630
	YTD FAITH PROMISE RECEIPTS \$32,975	MARCH FAITH PROMISE RECEIPTS \$4,620
	YTD FAITH PROMISE EXPENSES \$13,038	MAR. FAITH PROMISE EXPENSES \$4,346