



building God's Church...blessing our community

THE LORD'S DAY

OCTOBER 8, 2023

**REFLECTION & PREPARATION**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** .....PSALM 30:4-5, 11-12

Sing praises to the Lord, O you His saints!

**Give thanks to His holy name!**

For His anger is but for a moment,

**and His favor is for a lifetime!**

You have turned our mourning into dancing!

**You have loosed our sackcloth and clothed us with gladness,**

that our glory may sing Your praise and not be silent.

**O Lord, my God, we will give thanks to you forever!**

**\*DOXOLOGY**

**\*INVOCATION**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE** .....OH GIVE THANKS (PSALM 107)

WORDS & MUSIC: WENDELL KIMBROUGH

We were wand'ring in the desert with our souls so starved and weak.

We were hungry for a homeland we did not know how to seek.

But we lifted up our voices to the only One who hears;

And the God of mercy came and brought us near.

We were locked out of the garden, and our backs bent down with pain.

In the shadow of death's darkness, we were slaves to sin and blame.

Then we cried out in our labor to the only One who hears,

And the God of mercy wiped away our tears.

**Oh give thanks to the LORD for His love endures forever!**

**We were wandering and lost, and our Father brought us home,**

**To a safe dwelling place, to a feast of joy and laughter.**

**Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good!**

We were fools in our rebellion, with our hunger strike of pride.  
We were sick and growing closer to the death we should have died.  
Then he heard of our condition, and he called us by our names;  
And the God of glory took away our shame.

We were far out on the ocean, making wealth and chasing dreams,  
But the waves of great destruction brought us tremb'ling to our knees.  
Then we cried like drunken sailors to the only One who hears,  
And the God of comfort took away our fears.

**\*SONG OF JOYFUL WORSHIP** .....BLESSED BE YOUR NAME

WORDS & MUSIC: MATT & BETH REDMAN

Blessed be Your name in the land that is plentiful,  
where Your streams of abundance flow, blessed be Your name.

Blessed be Your name when I'm found in the desert place,  
though I walk through the wilderness, blessed be Your name.

Ev'ry blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise.

When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say,

"Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your name.

Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your glorious name."

Blessed be Your name when the sun's shining down on me,  
when the world is all as it should be, blessed be Your name.

Blessed be Your name on the road marked with suffering,  
though there's pain in the offering blessed be Your name.

You give and take away, You give and take away.

My heart will choose to say, "Lord, blessed be Your name."

**\*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.

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

**SCRIPTURE READING** .....JOHN 14

**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**

**O most great, just and gracious God.  
You condemn the ungodly,  
but you have promised mercy through Jesus Christ.  
We confess that we have all sinned  
and fallen short of the glory of God.  
We have dishonored and neglected those around us.  
We have dealt unjustly and uncharitably with our neighbors.  
We have run into temptations,  
and the sin, which we should have hated.  
We are careless, ignorant, rash and presumptuous  
against your commands, promises,  
threats, mercies and judgments.  
Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father.  
Be reconciled to us, and let the blood of Jesus Christ  
cleanse us from all our sins. Amen.**

Please silently confess your sin before the LORD.

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON** .....ROMANS 5:8-9

“...but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God.”

**\*HYMN OF ASSURANCE**.....I STAND AMAZED

I stand amazed in the presence  
Of Jesus the Nazarene,  
And wonder how He could love me,  
A sinner, condemned, unclean.

For me it was in the garden  
He prayed, "Not My will, but Thine";  
He had no tears for His own griefs,  
But sweat-drops of blood for mine.

**How marvelous! how wonderful!  
And my song shall ever be:  
How marvelous! how wonderful!  
Is my Savior's love for me!**

He took my sins and my sorrows,  
He made them His very own;  
He bore the burden to Calv'ry  
And suffered and died alone.

When with the ransomed in glory  
His face I at last shall see,  
'Twill be my joy thru the ages  
To sing of His love for me.

**SHEPHERDING PRAYER** .....RE SAM LAMBRECHT

**SERMON**.....EPHESIANS 1:15-23

<sup>15</sup> For this reason, because I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, <sup>16</sup> I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, <sup>17</sup> that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him, <sup>18</sup> having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, <sup>19</sup> and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might <sup>20</sup> that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, <sup>21</sup> far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come. <sup>22</sup> And he put all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, <sup>23</sup> which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

# SERMON NOTES

## PERSPECTIVE PROBLEM

EPHESIANS 1:15-23

WHY IS PAUL THANKFUL?

WHAT'S PAUL PRAYING FOR?

WHAT'S THIS HOPE ABOUT?

**\*HYMN OF PREPARATION** .....THERE IS A FOUNTAIN

WORDS: WILLIAM COWPER    MUSIC: KARL DIGERNESS

There is a fountain filled with blood Drawn from Immanuel's veins;  
And sinners plunged beneath that flood,  
Lose all their guilty stains  
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The dying thief rejoiced to see That fountain in his day,  
And there may I, though vile as he,  
Wash all my sins away  
And there may I, though vile as he,  
Wash all my sins away.

Dear dying Lamb, Thy precious blood Shall never lose its pow'r,  
Till all the ransomed Church of God  
Be saved, to sin no more  
Till all the ransomed Church of God  
Be saved to sin no more.

E'er since by faith I saw the stream Thy flowing wounds supply,  
Redeeming love has been my theme,  
And shall be till I die  
Redeeming love has been my theme,  
And shall be till I die.

## 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.

Our communion bread is gluten free

## \*BENEDICTION

# BULLETIN BOARD

## PRAYER MEETINGS ON WEDNESDAY EVENINGS & SUNDAY MORNINGS

Join us at church on Wednesdays at 6:30 pm for a time of prayer for our congregation, our community, our outreach and more. Another opportunity to pray is at 8:45 on Sunday mornings in the room next to the kitchen.

## MINISTRY PARTNERS FEATURED IN MTW MAGAZINE

MTW Missionary Keith Powlison and the radio ministry his father helped found in Peru are featured in the latest issue of Network magazine, published twice yearly by MTW. Powlison and his wife Ruth are among the many ministry partners Trinity supports, and they shared an update about Radio Amauta with us on a visit earlier this year. Also in this issue, Pamyla Burrack, another missionary we support, is mentioned in an article about spiritual warfare in Berlin, where she serves with the Europe team. You can pick up a copy of Network on the information counter.

## SIGN UP TO HELP PREPARE FOR COMMUNION

Looking for a way to serve the church? One Sunday each month, we need volunteers to take a few minutes out of their morning to get the bread and juice trays ready for communion. Please consider helping with this important part of our worship service - a sign-up sheet is on the information table

## REMEMBERING IN PRAYER THIS WEEK

**Ministry Partner:** Mike & Caroline Miller - serving with a church planting team in Athens, Greece

**Our Troops:** pray for Hunter Warren who is stationed at Eglin Air Force Base in FL and all of our troops and their chaplains around the world

**Church of the week:** Metro North Church, Goose Creek; John Schley, pastor

## TRINITY FAMILY

**Dan Steffen:** recovering from back surgery

**Susan Ulmer:** recovering from gallbladder surgery

**Herb Tait:** healing for broken arm after surgery was ruled out. Pray for peace and comfort for Mrs. Betty.

**Joe Junquet:** continued healing of his nerves

**Melonie Anderson:** recovering from surgery after badly broken wrist

**Theresa Hickson:** clear diagnosis of cause for ongoing respiratory issues

**Claudia Wilkes:** for her kidney function to continue at 25 percent to avoid dialysis

**Lawton Porter:** ongoing therapy

**Linda Wells:** neuropathy, improved stamina

**Christie Churchwell:** relief from headaches

# THIS WEEK @ TRINITY

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CALENDAR		
SUN 10/8	8:45AM 9:30AM 10:30AM	PRAYER SUNDAY SCHOOL MORNING WORSHIP
TUES 10/10	6:30AM	MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
WED 10/11	6:30PM	PRAYER
SUN 10/15	8:45AM 9:30AM 10:30AM	PRAYER SUNDAY SCHOOL MORNING WORSHIP

TRINITY READING TOGETHER					
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
JUDGES 1	JUDGES 2	JUDGES 3	JUDGES 4	JUDGES 5	JUDGES 6

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**HERE!**

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