

building God's Church...blessing our community
THE LORD'S DAY

NOVEMBER 26, 2023

## **REFLECTION & PREPARATION**

\*CALL TO WORSHIP ......PSALM 95:1-7

Come, let us sing to the LORD!

Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving!

Let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise!

For He is our God, and we are the people of His pasture, and the sheep of His hand.

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

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Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; alleluia, alleluia! Praise him above, ye heav'nly host, praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost; alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

## \*INVOCATION

 \*Psalm of Adoration.....Psalm 24

TO THE TUNE OF IMMORTAL, INVISIBLE

The earth and the riches with which it is stored, The world and its dwellers, belong to the LORD. For He on the seas its foundation has laid, And firm on the waters its pillars has stayed.

O who shall the mount of Jehovah ascend?
Or who in the place of His holiness stand?
The man of pure heart and of hands without stain,
Who has not sworn falsely nor loved what is vain.

He shall from Jehovah a blessing receive; The God of salvation shall righteousness give. Thus looking to Him is a whole blessed race, All those who, like Jacob, are seeking Your face.

O gates, lift your heads! Ageless doors, lift them high!
The great King of glory to enter draws nigh!
This great King of glory, O Who can He be?
Jehovah of hosts, King of glory is He!

## **CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN**

Father in Heaven, you love us, and in your love, through the sending of your son Jesus, you have entered our brokenness, you felt the sting of betrayal, you knew the isolation of loneliness, you experienced the wounding of injustice.

And unlike us you remained without sin.

Father we confess that we cannot love, cannot forgive, cannot obey, cannot sacrifice, without the power of your Holy Spirit.

Forgive us for not only thinking we can, but for endeavoring to do so in our own strength.

Turn our hearts toward you, pour your Spirit upon us, and help us live lives that reflect your gospel in every thought and deed.

Please silently confess your sin before the LORD.

# \*Assurance of Pardon ......Micah 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.....The Power of the Cross

WORDS AND MUSIC BY: KEITH GETTY & STUART TOWNEND

Oh to see the dawn of the darkest day: Christ on the road to Calvary. Tried by sinful men, torn and beaten then nailed to a cross of wood.

This the power of the cross: Christ became sin for us. Took the blame, bore the wrath, we stand forgiven at the cross.

Oh to see the pain written on your face: bearing the awesome weight of sin. Ev'ry bitter thought, ev'ry evil deed, crowning your blood-stained brow.

Now the daylight flees, now the ground beneath, quakes as its maker bows his head.

Curtain torn in two, dead are raised to life, finished the vict'ry cry.

Oh to see my name written in the wounds for through Your suff'ring I am free. Death is crushed to death, life is mine to live, won through Your selfless love.

This the power of the cross: Son of God slain for us. What a love, what a cost, we stand forgiven at the cross.

SHEPHERDING PRAYER ......RE STEVE HAWLEY

SERMON EPHESIANS 2:11-22

11 Therefore remember that at one time you Gentiles in the flesh, called "the uncircumcision" by what is called the circumcision, which is made in the flesh by hands—12 remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. <sup>13</sup> But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. <sup>14</sup> For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility <sup>15</sup> by abolishing the law of commandments expressed in ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, <sup>16</sup> and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility. <sup>17</sup> And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near. <sup>18</sup> For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. <sup>19</sup> So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, <sup>20</sup> built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, <sup>21</sup> in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. <sup>22</sup> In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.

# SERMON NOTES

# **JOINED AND BUILT TOGETHER**

**EPHESIANS 2:19-22** 

Come, Thou long-expected Jesus,
born to set Thy people free;
from our fears and sins release us;
let us find our rest in Thee.
Israel's strength and consolation,
hope of all the earth Thou art;
dear desire of every nation, joy of every longing heart.

Joy to those who long to see thee,
Dayspring from on high, appear;
come, thou promised Rod of Jesse,
of thy birth we long to hear!
O'er the hills the angels singing news, glad tidings of a birth;
"Go to him, your praises bringing;
Christ the Lord has come to earth."

Come to earth to taste our sadness,
he whose glories knew no end;
by his life he brings us gladness,
our Redeemer, Shepherd, Friend.
Leaving riches without number, born within a cattle stall;
this the everlasting wonder, Christ was born the Lord of all.

Born Thy people to deliver, born a child, and yet a King, born to reign in us forever, now Thy gracious kingdom bring.

By Thine own eternal Spirit rule in all our hearts alone; by Thine own sufficient merit, raise us to Thy glorious throne.

### \*BENEDICTION

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# BULLETIN BOARD

# PRAYER MEETING MOVING TO 5:30 WEDNESDAY

Trinity's weekly prayer meeting has moved to 5:30 pm Wednesdays. Another opportunity for corporate prayer is on Sunday mornings at 8:45.

# Men's Breakfast on Saturday, Dec. 2

The next Men's Breakfast is planned for Saturday, December 2 at 8 am at the Piggly Wiggly in Neeses. For more information, see Woody Watford.

# **DONATE ITEMS TO DAZZ ANGEL TREE**

We have an opportunity to bless mothers and babies through our DAZZ Angel Tree again this year. Please take one or more angels from the tree, go shopping, and return the items to the church by December 17. Please do not wrap your gift, but do attach the angel tag. Needed items include formula, baby wash, baby lotion, infant socks, and sippy cups. DAZZ is a medical pregnancy center and Christian ministry that serves young women, babies, and families. Since opening in Orangeburg in 2014, DAZZ has helped more than 1,000 women who were at risk for abortion choose life for their babies.

# CONGREGATIONAL MEETING AND OPEN HOUSE ON DEC. 10

Plan to stay after worship on Sunday, December 10 as we elect trustees and review the 2024 church budget. No officers will be elected this year. At 6 pm that evening, we will gather at the Patrick's house for a Christmas Open House. Stay tuned for more details.

#### REMEMBERING IN PRAYER THIS WEEK

Ministry Partner: Tom & Lucy Wright, serving with MTW - training pastors in West Africa and Haiti.

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: Church Creek Pres, Charleston; Nick Batzig, pastor

#### TRINITY FAMILY

Frank Myers: recovering from knee replacement surgery

Karla Lambrecht: recovering from knee surgery
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 knee surgery, pray for balance issues when she walks

Theresa Hickson: clear diagnosis of cause for ongoing respiratory issues

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

**Lawton Porter:** ongoing therapy

**Linda Wells:** neuropathy, improved stamina **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	DEACONS
Michael Salley Alan Ulmer Woody Watford	Les Carter Jeff Folk Wayne Walling Jeff Watford

#### **DEACON ASSISTANTS**

Larry Adicks, Terri Morrell, Lyle Polson

CALENDAR					
Sun 11/26	8:45am 9:30am 10:30am	PRAYER SUNDAY SCHOOL MORNING WORSHIP			
TUES 11/28	6:30ам	MEN'S BIBLE STUDY			
WED 11/29	5:30рм	Prayer			
SAT 12/2	8:00ам	Men's Breakfast			
Sun 12/3	8:45am 9:30am 10:30am	Prayer Sunday school Morning Worship			

TRINITY READING TOGETHER					
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 SAMUEL 21	1 SAMUEL 22	1 SAMUEL 23	1 SAMUEL 24	1 SAMUEL 25	1 SAMUEL 26

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