



Trinity Church

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building God's Church...blessing our community

THE LORD'S DAY

MARCH 11, 2018

REFLECTION & PREPARATION

***CALL TO WORSHIP**.....FROM PSALM 103:1-5

Bless the LORD, and forget not all His benefits.

Who forgives all our iniquity, who heals all our diseases,

Who redeems your life from the pit,

Who crowns us with steadfast love and mercy,

Who satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless His holy name!

***DOXOLOGY**

***INVOCATION**

***HYMN OF PRAISE**COME CHRISTIANS JOIN TO SING
No. 108

SCRIPTURE READINGACTS 23

HYMN OF ADORATIONJESUS, THOU JOY OF LOVING HEARTS

WORDS: BERNARD OF CLAIRVAUX, 12TH CENTURY

MUSIC: BRIAN T. MURPHY

Jesus, Thou joy of loving hearts
Thou fount of life, thou light of men
From the best bliss that earth imparts,
we turn unfilled to Thee again.

Thy truth unchanged hath ever stood;
Thou savest those that on Thee call
To them that seek Thee thou art good,
to them that find Thee all in all.

We taste of Thee, O living bread
and long to feast upon Thee still
We drink of Thee the fountain head
and thirst our souls from Thee to fill.

Our restless spirits yearn for Thee
where'er our changeful lot is cast
Glad when Thy gracious smile we see,
blessed when our faith can hold Thee fast.

O Jesus ever with us stay,
make all our moments calm and bright
Chase the dark night of sin away,
shed over the world thy holy light.

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CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

**Loving God, you rode a donkey and came in peace,
humbled yourself and gave yourself for us.**

We confess our lack of humility.

**As you entered Jerusalem,
the crowds shouted "Hosanna: 'Save us now!'"
On Good Friday they shouted, "Crucify!"**

We confess our praise is often empty.

We sing "Hosanna," but cry "Crucify."

**As the crowds laid their palms in front of you,
you took no glory for yourself.**

We confess that we want to be accepted and take the easy way.

We do not stay true to your will.

Forgive us, Lord,

and help us to follow in the way of obedience.

Please silently confess your sin before the LORD.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDONISAIAH 53:5

"But he was wounded for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities;
upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his stripes, we are healed."

*HYMN OF ASSURANCEDEPTH OF MERCY

WORDS: CHARLES WESLEY MUSIC: KOONCE, WELLS, & MURPHY

Depth of mercy can there be mercy still reserved for me?
Can my God his wrath forbear, me the chief of sinners spare?
I have long withstood his grace, long provoked him to his face,
Would not harken to his calls, grieved him by a thousand falls.

I have spilt his precious blood, trampled on the Son of God,
Filled with pains unspeakable, I who yet am not in hell.
I my master have denied, I afresh have crucified,
And profaned his hallowed name, put him to an open shame.

Jesus speaks and pleads his blood, he disarms the wrath of God,
Now my Father's mercies move, justice lingers into love.
There for me the Savior stands, shows his wounds and spreads his hands,
God is love, I know I feel, Jesus weeps and loves me still.

Pity from thine eye let fall, by a look my soul recall.
Now the stone to flesh convert, cast a look and break my heart.
Now incline me to repent, let me now my sins lament,
Now my foul revolt deplore, weep, believe, and sin no more.

COLLECTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Please take a moment to record your attendance in the black folder as it is passed down the row.

OFFERTORYSHOW US CHRIST

WORDS: DOUG PLANK MUSIC: DOUG PLANK & BOB KAUFMAN

Prepare our hearts, O God, help us to receive
Break the hard and stony ground, help our unbelief
Plant Your Word down deep in us, cause it to bear fruit
Open up our ears to hear, lead us in Your truth

*Show us Christ, show us Christ
O God, reveal Your glory through the preaching of Your Word
Until every heart confesses Christ is Lord*

Your Word is living light upon our darkened eyes
Guards us through temptations, makes the simple wise
Your Word is food for famished ones, freedom for the slave
Riches for the needy soul, come speak to us today

Where else can we go, Lord, where else can we go
You have the words of eternal life

SHEPHERDING PRAYERPASTOR JOHN MARK

SERMONGALATIANS 5:1-6

¹ It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery.

² Mark my words! I, Paul, tell you that if you let yourselves be circumcised, Christ will be of no value to you at all. ³ Again I declare to every man who lets himself be circumcised that he is obligated to obey the whole law. ⁴ You who are trying to be justified by the law have been alienated from Christ; you have fallen away from grace. ⁵ For through the Spirit we eagerly await by faith the righteousness for which we hope. ⁶ For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision has any value. The only thing that counts is faith expressing itself through love.

SERMON NOTES

GALATIANS 5: 1-6 PART ONE

I have a right standing with God because _____ .

1. FIGHT for scandalous FREEDOM (v. 1a)

2. REFUSE a second SLAVERY (v. 1b)

3. CUT OFF your reliance on the LAW (vv. 2-4a)

***HYMN OF PREPARATION**WHAT WONDROUS LOVE IS THIS

No. 177

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

COME BACK TONIGHT AT **6:00 PM**
FOR WORSHIP AND SMALL GROUP FELLOWSHIP.

REMEMBERING IN PRAYER THIS WEEK

Ministry Partners: Roger & Dianne Smalling, writing and publishing reformed literature for training programs and seminars in Latin America

Our Troops: pray for Joshua Polson, and our other troops and their chaplains around the world

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

TRINITY FAMILY

Bridgette Bass Moore praise God for recent healing, pray also for her continued back pain

Rebecca Sibley recovering from back surgery

Wendy Alsup recovering from radiation treatment, pray also for her dad with heart problems

Lee Ann Smith: recovery from a recent surgery

Willie Lou Jackson: at home in Orangeburg battling multiple health issues

Christie Churchwell: relief from headaches

Linda Wells: recovering from treatment for cancer

Ann Betsill: at Calhoun Convalescent Center

BULLETIN BOARD

FAITH PROMISE SLIPS

The wooden ballot box is at the information desk for your completed Faith Promise slips.

NEW ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

The session is pleased to announce the hiring of Karen Ford as our new administrative assistant.

We've been blessed by the help Christine Mims has provided us remotely from Florida and are looking forward to having Karen's help locally. Karen will be transitioning into this role in the next few weeks, and we'll still look to Christine for helping us with special projects in the future.

Office@TrinityOrangeburg.com remains the easiest way to communicate with the church office.

WOMEN'S GATHERING

Mark your calendars for Wednesday, March 14th, and April 11th. We will gather together at Chestnut Grill at 6:00 pm for a time of food, fellowship, and fun! We'll also discuss how we can minister to our church by joining the officers in praying for revival. We'll provide you with a helpful prayer guide you can use. Reservations are not required, just come as you are!

PERU MISSION TRIP

There will be a brief meeting next Sunday, March 18, after morning worship to discuss funding and other details of our June trip. (If you've been on the fence about going, it's technically not too late to join!)

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2018

Save these dates! June 25-28 will be our week of VBS. Watch the weekly email for your opportunity to sign up as volunteers.

TRINITY READING TOGETHER					
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
ACTS 24	ACTS 25	ACTS 26	ACTS 27	ACTS 28	1 CHRON 1