



**Trinity Presbyterian Church**  
*An Inviting Community Following Christ For Life  
Loving God, Welcoming All, Helping Many*

9:30 am

July 23, 2023

## AS GOD'S PEOPLE, WE COME TO WORSHIP

**Prelude**

*You Are Before Me Lord*

**Welcome**

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

## WITH HOPE, WE ADORE THE LORD OUR GOD

**Call To Worship**

The Rev. Ms. Craven

God's creation delights and astonishes.

**Let the people pause and wonder!**

God, the Creator, has made it all.

Let all creation shout and sing!

**Alleluia!**

**Prayer of Adoration**

The Rev. Ms. Craven

You opened your mouth and uttered a word  
and creation sprang forth in abundance.

Let us open our mouths in praise,  
that we may bear fruit in every season  
and be satisfied by your goodness,  
for you, O God, are the source of all growth;  
your grace abounds forever. Amen.

**\*Opening Hymn 248**

*You Are Before Me Lord*

**Call to Confession**

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

**Prayer of Confession (unison)**

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

Merciful God,

Your creatures cry- creation groans- but we turn away;  
we surround ourselves with noise.

We are quick to excuse ourselves from responsibility:  
we are young; we are old; we are tired; we are busy.

It is hard to imagine that we might make a difference.

Living God,

Wash us clean.

Restore our imaginations and our hearts.

Let your courage and compassion flow through our veins until we love with  
abandon and our hands reach out in blessing, for the creation waits with eager  
longing for the revealing of the children of God. Amen.

**Assurance of God's Mercy  
Thanks be to God!**

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

**\*Gloria Patri**

No. 579

**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.**

### **HEARING GOD'S HOLY WORD**

**Prayer for Illumination**

The Rev. Ms. Craven

**Pslam**

Psalm 86:11-17

The Rev. Ms. Craven

Teach me your way, O Lord,  
that I may walk in your truth;  
give me an undivided heart to revere your name.  
**I give thanks to you, O Lord my God, with my whole heart,  
and I will glorify your name forever.**  
For great is your steadfast love toward me;  
you have delivered my soul from the depths of Sheol.

**O God, the insolent rise up against me;  
a band of ruffians seeks my life,  
and they do not set you before them.**  
But you, O Lord, are a God merciful and gracious,  
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness.  
**Turn to me and be gracious to me;  
give your strength to your servant;  
save the child of your maidservant.**  
Show me a sign of your favor,  
so that those who hate me may see it and be put to shame,  
because you, Lord, have helped me and comforted me.

**Old Testament Lesson**

Isaiah 44:6-8

The Rev. Ms. Craven

This is the Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**

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**New Testament Lesson**                      Matthew 13:1-9  
This is the Word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God!

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**Sermon**

The Rev. Ms. Craven

## **RESPONDING TO CHRIST'S CALL**

**\*Hymn of Response 263**

*Immortal, Invisible God Only Wise*

**\*Profession of Faith**

The Apostle's Creed

The Rev. Ms. Craven

**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 Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; 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 thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**Call to Present Our Offering**

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

**Prayer of Dedication**

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

**Offertory Anthem**

*A Song of Thanksgiving*  
Pick Up Choir

Patterson

**Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer**

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

## **GOING OUT TO SERVE IN THE SPIRIT'S POWER**

**\*Sending Hymn 339**

*Be Thou My Vision*

**\*Charge and Pastoral Benediction**

The Rev. Ms. Craven

**Choral Response:**

*A Prayer for Humility*  
Pick Up Choir

Patterson

**Postlude**

*Be Thou My Vision*

**Silent Prayer**

*(The congregation will please be seated.)*

\*Those who are able may stand.

**TRINITY AT WORK AND WORSHIP**  
***An Inviting Community Serving Christ For Life***  
***Loving God, Welcoming All, Helping Many***

The Rev. Dr. Gregory C. Faulkner, Senior Pastor/Head of Staff  
The Rev. Ms. Sarah Craven, Associate Pastor  
The Rev. Mr. Barry Gruver, Parish Associate  
The Rev. Dr. James D. O'Dell, Pastor Emeritus  
Jenny Stark, Clerk of Session  
Lisa K. Marcelli, Director of Music  
Brian Kain, Music Associate

**In Memoriam:**

***Elizabeth Syvonne Forkin***

United with Trinity: September, 1966

Returned to our Lord: July 16, 2023

**Let Us Pray for Members of Our Church Family:** Loretta Johnson, Carol Murray, Marti Crothers, Beverly Whipple, Nancy Morton, Doris Crozier, Liz Gyswyt, Nancy Applegate, Marguerite Houck, Marty Flynn, Roberta Ritchie, Melinda Hall, Dorothy Rathje, Phyllis Johnson, Bill & Susan Greenwood, Betty Young, Erica Heyer, Dale Long, Linda Thorpe, Ruth Kain-Palmer, Gloria Wolbach, Nancy Hickman.

**Friends and Family:** Toby Gafner (Kristi Paulson's nephew), Joy and Avery Garlic (Kristi Paulson's friend and her friend's son), Nancy McIlvain (Kathy Eddleman's sister), Lois Wetzel (Opal's sister-in-law), Larry Carter (Emily Carter's uncle), Tristan Kabai-Tokes, Matt Ruggles, Myrna Roberts (Nancy Roberts' sister-in-law), Joan Malloy (Nancy Roberts' friend), Chuck Inman (Mary Jane Inman's son), Richard Emrey (Susan Bastnagel's brother), Billy Seifert (Henderson family friend), Marie Pinolini (Trudie Levins' sister), Charles Porcaro (Ben Rieth's brother in law), Jeff Mailahn (Cindy and Al Mailahn's son), Eileen McSparran (Kathy Eddleman's sister-in-law), Linda and Brian Kent (Gail Van Dyke's sister-in-law), Laurie Duffin (Gail and Bruce Van Dyke's friend), Elaine Good (Opal Stockwell's sister), Susan F. Heilshorn (Janet Cohen's sister-in-law), Kathy Kellmer and Toni Rath (Janet Cohen's friends), Mel Haines (Marguerite Houck's friend), Michael Fisher (Carol Parsons' nephew), David Behrens & Kelly Behrens (Ed Behrens' son & daughter), Ilene Kreadle (Wilson family friend), Jan (George Sanders' friend), Terri Skill (Steve Skill's wife), Richard D'Eustachio (Carol D'Eustachio's husband).

**Let us pray for all those of our Trinity family who are serving in the United States Military:** Cory Allen, Connor Barnes, Aaron Bill, Tyler Parsons and Connor Strobel. We thank them all for their service to our country.

**Pastoral Care** – Dr. Faulkner is available to you for prayer, counsel and comfort in times of need. If there is an urgent need, contact Dr. Faulkner at 609-273-8110.  
**Please silence** all electronic equipment during the worship service.

**Please remember to sign the Fellowship Register.** Maintaining connections with our membership is critical to the health of our community, so thank you for helping us with this important outreach by signing in every time you attend worship!

**Signing in online using the QR code?** Remember, if you're a **Trinity member**, you don't need to fill out the entire form—just type in your first and last name.

**Visit our website** at [www.trinpres.org](http://www.trinpres.org) for all of the current news, information and updates about everything that's going on at Trinity!

**PLEASE notify the church office if your address, email or phone number changes.** You can email Pam Dougherty at [pam.dougherty@trinpres.org](mailto:pam.dougherty@trinpres.org) **OR** you can indicate any changes on the Fellowship Register sheets. Thank you!

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allows you to make your offering electronically.**

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An *EasyTithe* app is also available for download to your tablet or cell phone. Once you're set up, you can also text a gift in one simple step! Our phone number for text giving is 856-238-5444.



**You can now go right to the EasyTithe giving portal by using the QR code below.** Simply turn your camera on your phone and direct it to the code and the link to the website will come right up!

**Sunday Church School Schedule**

**All Church School rooms located in main building.  
Pick up is immediately after the conclusion of the service**

**Room 6 has been cleaned up post flood and is ready for use!**

**Room #6 Summer Church School  
Nursery care - through Kindergarten**

***\*\*\*Parents, please drop off children kindergarten age and younger  
at their classroom before the service.***

**Grades 1-6 will remain in worship**

**MISSION THURSDAY CONTINUES** The Mission & Outreach Committee has decided to continue Mission Thursday through the summer. Cathedral Kitchen has expressed their gratitude many times for our congregation's tremendous support. **The dates for Mission Thursday are: July 27 and August 10th.**

*Thank you for your support!*

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**Save-the-dates!**

**Church School Pancake Breakfast**  
is September 10th!

**Rally Day**  
is September 17th!

**Deacons' School Drive Starts Soon!**  
Watch the bulletin for more info.

**The PW NYC bus trip is back!**  
Wednesday, October 18th. Details to follow!

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