

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

9:30 am

May 7, 2023

AS GOD'S PEOPLE, WE COME TO WORSHIP

Prelude *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

Welcome The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

WITH HOPE, WE ADORE THE LORD OUR GOD

Call To Worship The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

Prayer of Adoration The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

***Hymn 356** *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

Call to Confession The Rev. Ms. Craven

Prayer of Confession (unison) The Rev. Ms. Craven

Merciful Father, you sent your Son to bring us truth and your Spirit to make us holy. Through them we come to know the mystery of your love, yet we too often refuse to heed your Son's words and we ignore the Spirit's guiding presence.

Look with compassion upon us and forgive us. Restore us to friendship with you, even as you did your servant, Peter. Grant us the possibility of renewed faith, hope and love through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Assurance of God's Mercy The Rev. Ms. Craven
Thanks be to God!

***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. Mr. Gruver

Morning Psalm (responsively)

Psalm 30

The Rev. Mr. Gruver

I will extol you, O LORD,
for you have drawn me up,
and did not let my foes rejoice over me.
**O LORD my God, I cried to you for help,
and you have healed me.**

O LORD, you brought up my soul from Sheol,
restored me to life from among those gone down to the Pit.
**Sing praises to the LORD, O you his faithful ones,
and give thanks to his holy name.**

For his anger is but for a moment;
his favor is for a lifetime.
**Weeping may linger for the night,
but joy comes with the morning.**

As for me, I said in my prosperity,
"I shall never be moved."
**By your favor, O LORD,
you had established me as a strong mountain;
you hid your face; I was dismayed.**

To you, O LORD, I cried,
and to the LORD I made supplication:
**"What profit is there in my death,
if I go down to the Pit? Will the dust praise you?
Will it tell of your faithfulness?"**

Hear, O LORD, and be gracious to me!
O LORD, be my helper!"
**You have turned my mourning into dancing;
you have taken off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy,
so that my soul may praise you and not be silent.
O LORD my God, I will give thanks to you forever.**

Second Lesson

John 21: 1-19

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

This is the Word of the Lord.

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Thanks be to God!

Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

RESPONDING TO CHRIST'S CALL

***Hymn of Response 115**

Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain

***Profession of Faith**

The Apostle's Creed

The Rev. Mr. Gruver

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. Ms. Craven

Prayer of Dedication

The Rev. Ms. Craven

Offertory Anthem

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus
Adult Choir with Owen Speas, cello

arr. Boesiger

I have decided to follow Jesus; no turning back.
The world behind me, the cross before me; no turning back.
Though none go with me, still I will follow; no turning back.
I have decided to follow Jesus.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation to the Table

The Rev. Ms. Craven

Words of Institution

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

Prayer of Setting Aside for Holy Use

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

Communion of the People of God

(The communion bread is gluten free)

Prayer after Communion (unison)

The Rev. Ms. Craven

**O God, how good you are to us!
In Christ, you have vanquished the powers of
sin and death and hell.
In our Lord's Resurrection,
You have given us the possibility of possibility
and in this Holy Sacrament and
have again manifested *that* life-changing possibility
so we might practice resurrection
now and for all eternity.
Thank you, Almighty Father,
for the gift of your steadfast love
that is always inviting us to once more follow Christ;
it is in His Saving Name we pray. Amen.**

GOING OUT TO SERVE IN THE SPIRIT'S POWER

***Sending Hymn 123**

Jesus Christ is Risen Today

***Charge and Pastoral Benediction**

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

Postlude

Jesus Christ is Risen Today

(The congregation will please be seated.)

Silent Prayer

*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
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Let Us Pray for Members of Our Church Family: Marti Crothers, Marilyn Johnson, Beverly Whipple, Nancy Morton, Doris Crozier, Liz Gyswyt, Nancy Applegate, Marguerite Houck, Marty Flynn, Elissa Goss, 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: Tristan Kabai-Tokes, Matt Ruggles, Myrna Roberts (Nancy Roberts' sister-in-law), Wally Wasik (Jim Wasik's brother), Lisa Schwarz (Alison Schwarz's sister), Joan Malloy (Nancy Roberts' friend), Chuck Inman (Mary Jane Inman's son), Richard Emrey (Susan Bastnagel's brother), Clayton Richardson (Michele Strobel's cousin), Katie Howard (Jen Dukelow's niece), 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), Kathy Nahill (Jillian Watson's friend), David Behrens & Kelly Behrens (Ed Behrens' son & daughter), Ilene Kreafler (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.

Large Print Bibles and Hymnals are available in the Narthex. Along with Bulletins!

***EasyTithe*, our online giving option, allows you to make your offering electronically.**

This option makes giving more convenient for you and can be accessed through your computer, tablet and cell phone. To sign up, go to Trinity's home page and click on "Online Giving" or go directly to www.easytithe.com/trinpres.

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.

NEW!! 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!



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!

Visit our website at 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 **OR** you can indicate any changes on the Fellowship Register sheets. Thank you!

Sunday Church School Schedule

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

Room #1	Nursery Care
Room #6	Twos and Threes (must be 2 1/2 yrs. old by Oct. 1, 2022) - through Kindergarten

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

Grades 1-6 Mission Sunday in the Community Room

**May 14th– Last Family Church of the Program Year
May 21st—Summer Church School begins**

We will provide summer childcare for Infants-Kindergarten in room 6. **PLEASE consider volunteering a Sunday or two over the summer to make it possible for parents of young children to worship.** Sign-up for a spot in Fellowship Hall.

Please get your name tag from the ushers. The name tag wall is no more! A few months ago, we asked everyone to take possession of their own name tags, but many of them are still unclaimed. Please see the ushers after worship to claim your name tag. The Membership Committee would love to see you wear yours from time to time!

CLOSET CLEAN-OUT!

As we reimagine our church school and youth spaces, we are looking at how to best use the existing storage areas in our main building. This summer we will be cleaning out the large closet in the back of the community room. If you have anything stored in that closet that you do not want tossed or donated, please let us know. **Everything must go by July 1st!** Call or email the office (856-428-2050 or trinpres@trinpres.org). Thanks for your help!

MISSION THURSDAY CONTINUES The Mission & Outreach Committee has decided to continue Mission Thursday through the first quarter of 2023. Cathedral Kitchen has expressed their gratitude many times for our congregation's tremendous support.



The dates for Mission Thursday are: May 4, 18, June 1, 15, 29.



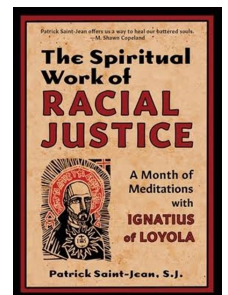
Camp Johnsonburg - Summer Camp Registering Now! Johnsonburg is a place where all may gather and all are welcomed in God's beautiful creation...and we are registering for SUMMER CAMP! As New Jersey's only Presbyterian summer camp, we have been the highlight of summer for thousands of kids across our 63 years. We've got six 1-week overnight sessions for kids in rising 1st-12th grades from June to August. We have tons of activities, and our camp counselors are carefully hired, screened, and trained to be great role models for campers. Summer camp has been shown to increase social and emotional wellness in children and youth, as well as teaching them to be more independent and helping them to make friends. Compliment the faith building you are doing in church and at home with what will be your child's favorite week of the summer. **For more information, visit: campjburg.org/summer-camp**

It's not too late to join Trinity's
Racial Equity Advocacy Project's spring initiative.

REAP's Spiritual Support Group meets on the 3rd Thursday of each month from 7-8:30 PM with our next zoom gathering scheduled for **May 18, 2023.**

Facilitated by Rev. Pat Weikart and using **Patrick Saint-Jean's** text, **"The Spiritual Work of Racial Justice"** as our devotional guide, we strive to move forward in bridging the divide that racism has wrought among us by building spiritual strength through Bible study, meditation, and reflection.

Please register to obtain the zoom link by emailing Pam Dougherty in the church office at pam.dougherty@trinpres.org.



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