

Look up and see! Who created these? He brings out the stars by number; he calls all of them by name.

Isaiah 40:26



Welcome to Trinity Presbyterian Church

January 26, 2020 - Third Sunday after Epiphany

To Our Guests:

Visiting a church can be an intimidating experience. We are glad that you are here, and we hope to remove as much of that awkwardness as we can from your visit to Trinity.

Our Sunday service usually lasts about 75 minutes, and this bulletin is designed to help you navigate it. There are short paragraphs on the following pages to explain each part.

The goal of the service is to help each of us to see Jesus more clearly and understand more fully how he makes a difference in our lives. Our hope is that every part of the service is accessible to you, whether you've spent years in the church or you've never been to a church service in your life.

If you are new to Trinity or just visiting, we would love to know that you were here. We have folders at the end of each row on the center aisle: we call these "friendship folders". The sheets inside are a way for you to let us know whatever information you feel comfortable sharing and to request any information from us that you might need. If you have any other questions, Pastor Geoff Ziegler would enjoy hearing from you.

Our weekly e-newsletter is full of information about Trinity events and ways to get involved in our church life. To find out more information about our church or sign up for our e-newsletter, visit our website, www.trinityhinsdale.com.

Childcare:

Children of all ages are welcome in the service. Nursery is also provided for children under age three. At our Hinsdale site, midway through the service, children three years old through first grade are invited to attend "Children's Church," a time where children explore the gospel in a way specially designed for their age.

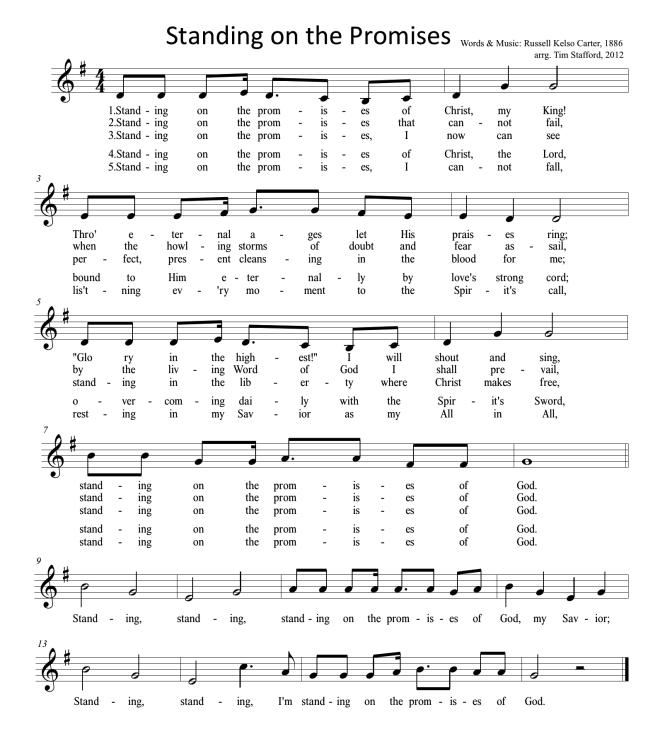
Community Life:

After the Service

Each week, we linger to get to know each other better. Please join us for refreshments after the service.

During the Week

In addition to weekly worship, we gather together in smaller groups (community groups, men's and women's discipleship groups) that meet throughout the week. We want all of our members and regular attenders to be intentional about building trusting and meaningful spiritual relationships.



Welcome

Call to Worship:

God himself gathers and calls worshipers worldwide not to go to church, but to be the Church. The Call to Worship protests the dividing lines of social or economic status, success, power, piety, or lack thereof and proclaims to the world the call to worship the one true God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Call to Worship - From Psalm 40

I waited patiently for the LORD; he turned to me and heard my cry. He lifted me out of the slimy pit, out of the mud and mire; He set my feet on a rock and gave me a firm place to stand. He put a new song in my mouth, a hymn of praise to our God. Many will see and fear the LORD and put their trust in him.

May all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you, O God; May those who long for your saving help always say, "The LORD is great!"

(silent reflection & prayer)

The peace of Jesus Christ be with you. **And also with you!** Come, let us worship our God!



Baptism

Jack Alexander Miller

Congregation Vow:

Do you as a congregation undertake the responsibility of assisting the parents in the Christian nurture of this child?

We do.



More information can be found in our Life at Trinity e-newsletter.

Community Life and Prayer

We pray as our Lord has taught us to pray:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever.
Amen.

Worship through Giving

Please take a moment to sign our "Friendship Folder" and pass it to those worshiping near you. Thank you.

Children 3 years old through 1st grade will be dismissed for our Children's Church program before the Scripture Reading. If this will be your child's first week in Children's Church, please accompany your child to the room so you can see where we have Children's Church and meet this week's teachers. Children will be escorted back to the sanctuary after the service to rejoin their parents.

Scripture Reading - Isaiah 40:1-11

Comfort, comfort my people, says your God.

² Speak tenderly to Jerusalem,
and cry to her
that her warfare is ended,
that her iniquity is pardoned,
that she has received from the LORD's hand
double for all her sins.

³ A voice cries:

"In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD; make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

⁴ Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain.

⁵ And the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken."

A voice says, "Cry!"
 And I said, "What shall I cry?"
 All flesh is grass,
 and all its beauty is like the flower of the field.
 ⁷The grass withers, the flower fades
 when the breath of the LORD blows on it;

⁸The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever.

surely the people are grass.

⁹ Go on up to a high mountain,

 O Zion, herald of good news;
 lift up your voice with strength,
 O Jerusalem, herald of good news;
 lift it up, fear not;

 say to the cities of Judah,

 "Behold your God!"

 ¹⁰ Behold, the Lord God comes with might, and his arm rules for him;
 behold, his reward is with him, and his recompense before him.

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He will tend his flock like a shepherd;
he will gather the lambs in his arms;
he will carry them in his bosom,

he will carry them in his bosom, and gently lead those that are with young.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Confession of Sin:

Our loving Father welcomes us into his presence to confess how we have sinned against him and our neighbors. This allows us to speak about our sin truthfully, both publicly and privately.

Community Confession of Sin

Good News of the Gospel - Isaiah 40:1-2

Comfort, comfort my people, says your God.
Speak tenderly to Jerusalem,
and cry to her that her warfare is ended,
that her iniquity is pardoned,
that she has received from the LORD's hand double for all her sins.
Believers in Christ, in Jesus your sins have been dealt with.
You are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

The Lord's Supper

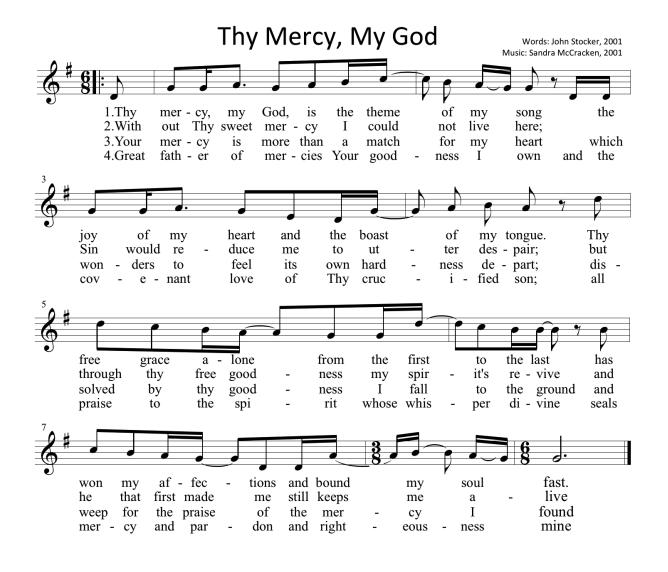
Receiving the Lord's Supper

God welcomes us to his table, promising to spiritually nourish believers in Christ through these signs of his covenant promises to his church. All baptized believers in Christ are invited to partake and have their faith strengthened. If you have not yet professed your faith in Christ or you are not a member in good standing at a gospel-proclaiming church, we ask that you instead use this period as a time of reflection.

Following the Invitation

- The elements will be passed. First the bread, then the juice and wine.
- After receiving the elements, wait for instruction for us to partake of the elements together.

Note: The juice is white grape and the wine is red. Gluten-free wafers are available on the plate.



Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavn'ly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Oh Give Thanks To The Lord

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V.1 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.

V.2 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.

Chorus:

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!

V.3 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.

V.4 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.

Benediction

Liturgist – Matt Potoshnick Scripture Reader – Ruthie Hoving

Musicians:

David Barshinger – acoustic guitar
Erik Swanson – electric bass
Stephanie Heeley – piano
Sue Greenfield – violin
Susan Dudek – flute
Liz Powers – vocals
Jared Smith – percussion
Levi Barshinger, Timothy Ziegler – sound

Sunday School Classes 11:10 a.m. – Noon

Adult – Chapel (next to sanctuary)
High School – Board Room (3rd Floor)
6th-8th Grade – Room 6 (behind sanctuary)
3rd-5th Grade – Room 5 (downstairs)
K-2nd Grade – Room 2 (downstairs)
Preschool – Room 1 (downstairs)
Nursery – Room 4 (downstairs)



To experience & extend the life-changing love of Jesus Christ in our homes, workplaces, and communities.

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Community Groups

Community groups are one of the chief ways we team up to care for each other and seek the good of our neighborhoods. We currently meet in the following locations:

Clarendon Hills • Elmhurst • Hinsdale East • Hinsdale West • Lisle/Woodridge Western Springs North • Western Springs South • Wheaton/Glen Ellyn

For more information about our ongoing ministries and community life, subscribe to our e-newsletter at www.trinityhinsdale.com, or you can email us with any questions at office@trinityhinsdale.com.