

The wilderness and the dry land will be glad; the desert will rejoice and blossom like a wildflower.

Isaiah 35:1



# Welcome to Trinity Presbyterian Church

September 15, 2019 - Fifteenth Sunday in Pentecost

## 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 the following is designed to help you navigate it. There are short paragraphs on the next page 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, Pastors Geoff Ziegler and Brent Stutzman are both available and 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.trinityhinsdalecom.

# 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 3 years old through 1st grade are invited to attend "Children's Church," a time where children explore the gospel in a way specially designed for their age.

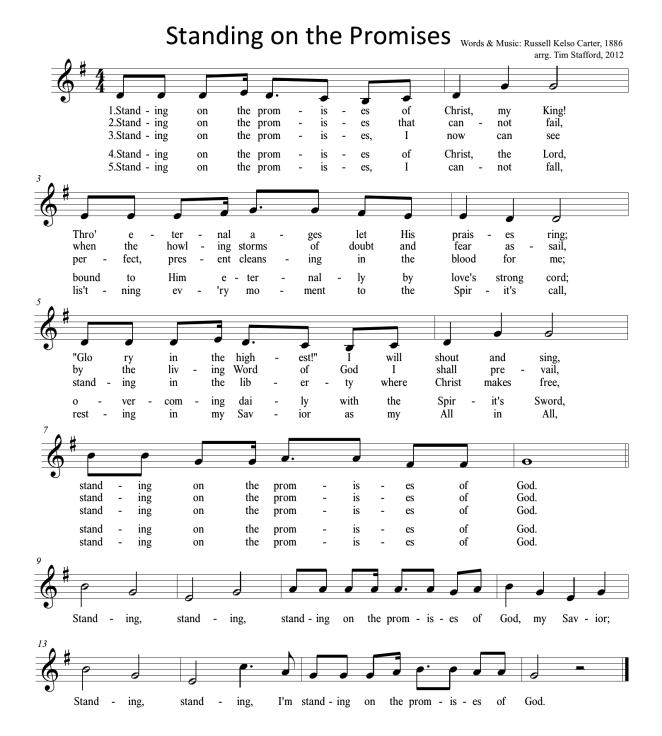
# Community Life:

# 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 - Psalm 145:1-3

I will extol you, my God and King, and bless your name forever and ever. Every day I will bless you and praise your name forever and ever. Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised, and his greatness is unsearchable.

(silent reflection & prayer)

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



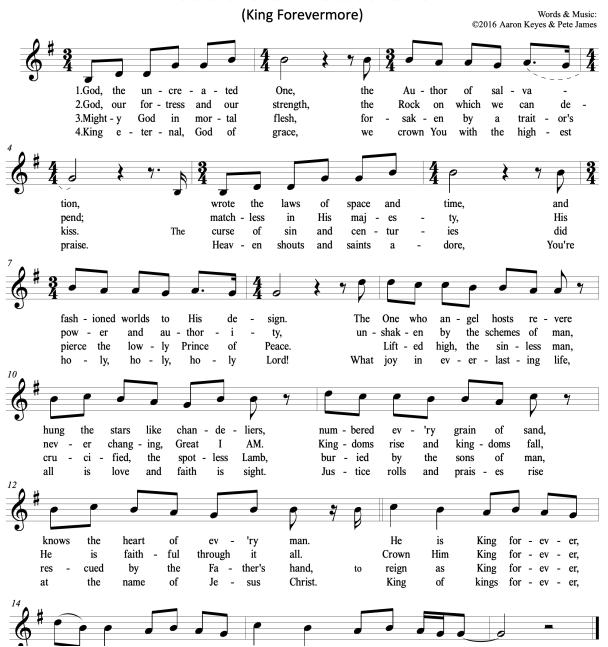
#### Confession of Faith

When we participate in reading the historic creeds and catechisms of the Christian faith we remind ourselves that we do not stand alone, but are connected to the historic Church. As we stand as one professing our beliefs we protest a post-modernism that would have us believe there is no truth to be told or held besides our very own. We profess these truths to keep us centered on the gospel.

# **Confession of Faith - Apostles Creed**

We believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. We believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead. We 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.

# God the Uncreated One



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 for ever.
Amen.

#### Offering:

The offering proclaims the economics of the Kingdom of God characterized by grace and mercy. It suggests that we ought to give away our money freely and openhandedly. It is not a transaction to purchase or consume anything – especially not favor with God.

# **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. All parents please pick up your children after the service. Thank you.

# Scripture Reading - Isaiah 1

The vision of Isaiah the son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah.

<sup>2</sup> Hear, O heavens, and give ear, O earth; for the Lord has spoken:
"Children have I reared and brought up, but they have rebelled against me.
<sup>3</sup> The ox knows its owner, and the donkey its master's crib, but Israel does not know, my people do not understand."
<sup>4</sup> Ah, sinful nation, a people laden with iniquity, offspring of evildoers, children who deal corruptly!
They have forsaken the Lord, they have despised the Holy One of Israel, they are utterly estranged.

<sup>5</sup>Why will you still be struck down? Why will you continue to rebel? The whole head is sick, and the whole heart faint. <sup>6</sup> From the sole of the foot even to the head, there is no soundness in it, but bruises and sores and raw wounds; they are not pressed out or bound up or softened with oil. <sup>7</sup>Your country lies desolate; your cities are burned with fire; in your very presence foreigners devour your land; it is desolate, as overthrown by foreigners. 8 And the daughter of Zion is left like a booth in a vineyard, like a lodge in a cucumber field, like a besieged city. <sup>9</sup> If the Lord of hosts had not left us a few survivors, we should have been like Sodom. and become like Gomorrah.

<sup>10</sup> Hear the word of the Lord. you rulers of Sodom! Give ear to the teaching of our God, you people of Gomorrah! <sup>11</sup> "What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices? says the Lord; I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams and the fat of well-fed beasts; I do not delight in the blood of bulls, or of lambs, or of goats. 12 "When you come to appear before me, who has required of you this trampling of my courts? <sup>13</sup> Bring no more vain offerings; incense is an abomination to me. New moon and Sabbath and the calling of convocations— I cannot endure iniquity and solemn assembly. <sup>14</sup> Your new moons and your appointed feasts my soul hates; they have become a burden to me; I am weary of bearing them. <sup>15</sup> When you spread out your hands, I will hide my eyes from you; even though you make many prayers, I will not listen; your hands are full of blood. <sup>16</sup> Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your deeds from before my eyes; cease to do evil, <sup>17</sup> learn to do good; seek justice, correct oppression; bring justice to the fatherless, plead the widow's cause.

18 "Come now, let us reason together, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.

19 If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land;
20 but if you refuse and rebel, you shall be eaten by the sword; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken."

How the faithful city
 has become a whore,
 she who was full of justice!
 Righteousness lodged in her,
 but now murderers.
 Your silver has become dross,
 your best wine mixed with water.
 Your princes are rebels
 and companions of thieves.
 Everyone loves a bribe
 and runs after gifts.
 They do not bring justice to the fatherless,
 and the widow's cause does not come to them.

<sup>24</sup>Therefore the Lord declares, the Lord of hosts, the Mighty One of Israel: "Ah, I will get relief from my enemies and avenge myself on my foes. <sup>25</sup>I will turn my hand against you and will smelt away your dross as with lye and remove all your alloy. <sup>26</sup> And I will restore your judges as at the first, and your counselors as at the beginning. Afterward you shall be called the city of righteousness, the faithful city." <sup>27</sup> Zion shall be redeemed by justice, and those in her who repent, by righteousness. <sup>28</sup> But rebels and sinners shall be broken together, and those who forsake the Lord shall be consumed. <sup>29</sup> For they shall be ashamed of the oaks that you desired; and you shall blush for the gardens

that you have chosen.

30 For you shall be like an oak
whose leaf withers,
and like a garden without water.

31 And the strong shall become tinder,
and his work a spark,
and both of them shall burn together,
with none to quench them.

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 1:18

Come now, let us reason together, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.

In Jesus Christ, your sins 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 you instead use this period as a time of reflection.

#### Following the Invitation

Come forward to receive the elements (bread, then juice or wine) along the center aisle. When you receive the elements, do not partake of them at that time, rather, return with the bread and cup to your seats – by way of the side aisles. Feel free to sing or pray during this time while you 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 at the table.

Please let your request be known to the communion server.

# We Will Feast in the House of Zion

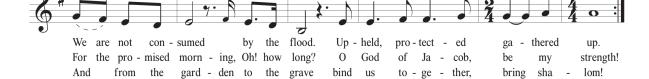






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# Gloria Patri

Text: 2nd Century Music: Henry Greatorex, 1851

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.



### Benediction

Liturgist – Tom Vander Veen Scripture Reader – Ann Powers

#### Musicians:

Brent Stutzman – acoustic guitar Erik Swanson – electric bass Genevieve O'Bryon – flute Shelley Baldridge – violin Sue Greenfield – vocals Jared Smith – 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.

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