



18b And on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

Matthew 16:18b (ESV)

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN AMERICA

Order of Worship — Sunday, April 24, 2016

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Song of Gathering and Preparation

The people of God always sang as they ascended the hill in Jerusalem up to the temple to worship (see Psalms 120-134). We, as well, prepare our hearts, minds, and bodies for worship by singing about the God we serve.

Children Of The Living God

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Children of the living God
Come and sing, sing out loud
Children of the living God
Sing to the living God

Sing of the wonders he has made
Bird in flight, falling rain
Sing of the wonders he has made
Sing to the living God

*How he loves us with great love
He who sits enthroned above
For our lives he spilled his blood
Sent his Spirit like a flood
Children of the living God
Sing to the living God*

Sing of his gentle healing hands
How they found the lowliest man
Sing of his gentle healing hands
Sing to the living God

Sing of the mercy that he gives
Though we sin he forgives
Sing of the mercy that he gives
Sing to the living God
How he loves us...

Sing for the morning when he comes
In the clouds, glorious Son
Sing for the morning when he comes
Sing to the living God
How he loves us...

Call to Worship

We read God's Word, the Bible, together. It reveals to us who God is and what He expects of us.

1 Chronicles 29:17-18 (ESV)

I know, my God, that you test the heart and have pleasure in uprightness. In the uprightness of my heart I have freely offered all these things, and now I have seen your people, who are present here, offering freely and joyously to you. O Lord, the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, our fathers, keep forever such purposes and thoughts in the hearts of your people, and direct their hearts toward you.

Prayer of Adoration and Confession – John Tucker

We pray together praising God for who He really is (Adoration) and admitting our inability to live up to what He expects of us (Confession).

Song of Repentance

We sing a song that reflects our need for the mercy and grace brought to us at the coming of Jesus Christ.

Lead Us Back

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Falling down upon our knees
Sharing now in common shame
We have sought security
Not the cross that bears your name
Fences guard our hearts and homes
Comfort sings a siren tune
We're a valley of dry bones
Lead us back to life in you

Lord we fall upon our knees
We have shunned the weak and poor
Worshipped beauty courted kings
And the things their gold affords
Prayed for those we'd like to know
Favor sings a siren tune
We've become a talent show
Lead us back to life in you

Lord, you've caused the blind to see
We have blinded them again
With our manmade laws and creeds
Eager, ready to condemn
Now we plead before your throne
Power sings a siren tune
We've been throwing heavy stones
Lead us back to life in you
We're a valley of dry bones
Lead us back to life in you
We've become a talent show
Lead us back to life in you
We've been throwing heavy stones
Lead us back to life in you

Assurance of Pardon

We again read God's Word together and are reminded that mercy and grace are freely given to all who have faith in Jesus Christ.

1 John 4:9-12 (ESV)

In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God abides in us and his love is perfected in us.

Worship Through Giving

We respond to the good news of God's mercy and grace for us in Jesus by giving generously to the work of this church and the kingdom of God.

Doxology (Romans 11)

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Oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God.
How unsearchable His judgments, how unknowable His paths.
Who knows the mind of our God? And who can bring counsel to Him?
Who has given to God that God should repay?
For from Him, through Him, to Him is everything.
To God be the glory forever and ever,
To God be the glory forever! Amen!

Praise and Celebration

Our response to God's free grace is celebratory worship. We express our praise to God for who he is and what he has done for us.

Arise, O God And Shine

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Arise, O God, and shine in all thy saving might
And prosper each design to spread thy glorious light
Let healing streams of mercy flow that all the earth thy truth may know
Bring distant nations near to sing thy glorious praise
Let every people hear and learn thy holy ways
Reign, mighty God, assert thy cause, and govern by thy righteous laws
Put forth thy glorious pow'r, that everyone may see
And earth present her store, in converts born to thee
God, our own God, his Church will bless
and fill the world with righteousness
To God, the only Wise, the one immortal King
Let hallelujahs rise, from every living thing
Let all that breathe, on every coast, praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost

Everlasting God

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Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord
We will wait upon the Lord, we will wait upon you Lord
(repeat)

Our God, you reign forever
Our hope, our strong deliverer

*You are the everlasting God, the everlasting God
You do not faint, you won't grow weary*

Strength will rise...

Our God, you reign forever...

*You are the everlasting God, the everlasting God
You do not faint, you won't grow weary
You're the defender of the weak, you comfort those in need
You lift us up on wings like eagles*

Confession of Faith

As an expression of our faith in Jesus Christ in solidarity with his people, we declare the substance of what we believe.

From the Heidelberg Catechism:

Q. 35. What does it mean that he "was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary"?

A. That the eternal Son of God, who is and remains true and eternal God, took to himself, through the working of the Holy Spirit, from the flesh and blood of the virgin Mary, a truly human nature so that he might become David's true descendant, like his brothers and sisters in every way except for sin.

Ministry Testimony – Adult Education: Stan McMahan

A time for volunteers from our ministries to share the joys and needs of their ministry with the congregation.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession – John Tucker

We again express in prayer our gratitude to God for what he has done and ask him to continue to act for our good and the good of others in our community & world.

(Children, Infants – Kindergarten, are dismissed for Kid's Worship.)

Proclamation of God's Word – Tim Rice, Lead Pastor and Director of Church Planting

A small portion of God's Word is explained to us and applied to our lives and circumstances.

Songs of Response

We respond to the good news of God's mercy and grace by singing again of his goodness and greatness.

May the Mind of Christ My Savior

Text by Kate B. Wilkinson and music by A. Cyril Barham-Gould, 1925

May the Mind of Christ my Savior live in me from day to day
By his love and pow'r controlling all I do and say

May the Word of God dwell richly in my heart from hour to hour
So that all may see I triumph only through his pow'r

May the peace of God my Father rule my life in everything
That I may be calm to comfort sick and sorrowing

May the love of Jesus fill me as the waters fill the sea
Him exalting, self abasing, this is victory

May his beauty rest upon me as I seek the lost to win
And may they forget the channel, seeing only him

Benediction

Because the hand of God's wrath was raised against Jesus we now receive the hand of God's blessing as we are sent out to live our lives to the glory of God.

*May the LORD bless you and keep you;
the LORD make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you;
the LORD turn His face toward you and give you His peace,
both now and forevermore. Amen.*

Seasons of the Cross

White between Easter and Pentecost: The colors of the various seasons of the Christian year express the mood or feeling of that season. White is the color of celebration. The Messiah has come, the suffering servant, conquering sin and death. The believers gather together to rejoice, to pray, to meditate and to await the coming of the Holy Spirit as Christ promised.

Scripture Passage and Sermon Outline

Proclamation of God's Word

Text: Acts 2:42-47, 4:32-37 (ESV)

Title: : A Heavenly Community

Teacher: Tim Rice

⁴² And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. ⁴³ And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. ⁴⁴ And all who believed were together and had all things in common. ⁴⁵ And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. ⁴⁶ And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, ⁴⁷ praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.

³² Now the full number of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one said that any of the things that belonged to him was his own, but they had everything in common. ³³ And with great power the apostles were giving their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. ³⁴ There was not a needy person among them, for as many as were owners of lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold ³⁵ and laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need. ³⁶ Thus Joseph, who was also called by the apostles Barnabas (which means son of encouragement), a Levite, a native of Cyprus, ³⁷ sold a field that belonged to him and brought the money and laid it at the apostles' feet.

Intro: How are followers of Jesus part of an *otherworldly* community?

LIKE NOTHING IN THIS WORLD

How is our conduct not like anything in this world?

IDOLS & UNBELIEF BEGET PRIDE & FEAR

While our hope is not in this world, *what happens when we doubt this?*

GOD'S GENEROUS CHARACTER

How has Jesus put our needs ahead of His own comforts, and given us hope beyond anything this world can offer?

YOU CAN PRAY WITH US...

1. Worship the LORD who is staggeringly generous! Praise Him, Father, Son and Holy Spirit for how He proves His love for us by how He gives and shares with us.
2. How have you lived greedily and dishonestly? Agree with Jesus that your selfishness is not just wrong but destructive, and ask Him to forgive you and heal you.
3. Give thanks to Jesus for His amazing method of putting our needs above His comfort (by dying for us), and for His loving motives – to give us a hope that nothing in this world can match (by His resurrection).
4. Who do you know that is in love with their possessions (and try to keep the list to under 10 people)? Pray for them, asking the Lord to set them free from their deception of thinking that possessions will save them.
5. Ask the Holy Spirit to give you His perspective on earthly possessions and set you free from “stuff.” Pray for vision to “see” your true home in heaven with Jesus, and to lay up your true treasure there with Him.

Special Events

Student Ministry Rummage Sale - April 30, 7a-12p at Trinity. FRAT Student Union is currently collecting items to sell. Donations of any kind are greatly appreciated. Please drop items off at Trinity by Friday, April 29. All proceeds will benefit the 2016 FRAT Missions projects. Questions? Contact Hayley Hurd at hayley@trinitylakeland.org.

Person of Jesus Lunch Study - Wednesdays at noon in the Fellowship Hall. **We will not be meeting again until May 4.** Join us for lunch and a lesson from Paul Miller's Person of Jesus study. Lunch is provided for \$5. Questions? Please contact the office at 603-7777.

Renew Polk Meeting - May 15, 7p, at Christ Community Presbyterian Church of Lakeland (6565 South Florida Avenue). Renew Polk is the Polk County church planting network of Trinity and our daughter churches. Interested? Contact Tim Rice at tim@trinitylakeland.org.

Service Opportunities

Mercy Work Day - April 30, 8a - 1p, at Trinity Presbyterian Church. We will be wiring, hanging TVs, fixing chairs and other small projects around the building. Interested? Contact Adam Spafford at adamspafford1@gmail.com.

Volunteers Needed - Consider how you can influence the next generation through Children's Ministry. Join the many volunteers that share their time and love for Jesus with children, infants through fifth grade. For more information, contact Joy Davis at joy@trinitylakeland.org or 863-603-7777.



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Calendar

For more information and additional calendar items,
visit our website at www.trinitylakeland.org or
call the office: 863-603-7777

* Childcare provided

SUNDAY (April 24)

6:30 am Prayer

* 8:45 am Education Hour

* 10:15 am Worship Service

MONDAY

6:00 pm LAMP Seminary Class

WEDNESDAY

6:00 pm Middle & High
School Worship

SATURDAY

7:00 am FRAT Rummage Sale

8:00 am Mercy Work Day at Trinity

SUNDAY (May 1)

6:30 am Prayer

* 8:45 am Education Hour

* 10:15 am Worship Service
Lord's Supper

Office Hours:

Monday to Friday from 8:30a to 5:00p

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We're so glad you are here.

Name (Please Print)

Gender

Spouse

Children (Include DOB for Children's Ministry)

Address: Street

City/State

Country/ZIP

Phone

E-mail Address

- First Time Visitor Regular Attendee Member
 College Student @ _____
 Please update my contact information in your
database

I would like to receive:

- Church mailings
 hard copy electronic version both
 Weekly Worship Folder &
Announcement E-mail (sent on Thurs./Fri.)

I would like information about:

- Joining a Community Group
 Upcoming New Member Class
 Women's Bible Study
 Student Ministry
 Children's Ministry
 Volunteering with children

Community Bible Reading

www.joincbr.com

April 25 - 30, 2016

Monday	Mark 9 Exodus 7	Psalm 67 Isaiah 64
Tuesday	Mark 10 Exodus 8	Psalm 69 Isaiah 65
Wednesday	Mark 11 Exodus 9	Psalm 70 Isaiah 66
Thursday	Mark 12 Exodus 10	2 Samuel 11 2 Kings 20
Friday	Mark 13 Exodus 11	2 Samuel 12 2 Kings 21
Saturday	Exodus 12	1 Chronicles 20 2 Chronicles 32

(3-year plan: read **bold passages** / 1-year plan: read all)

Scripture Memory for the Week:

Acts 2:38-39 (ESV)

³⁸ And Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹ For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself."

Prayer

How can our staff pray for you?
Please use the space below to tell us.

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