



Trinity Presbyterian Church

Celebrating the Diversity of All

September 27, 2009
Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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PRELUDE Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring
Composer: J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT Surely the Presence of the Lord
Words & Music: Lanny Wolfe

*Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place,
I can feel His mighty power and His grace.
I can hear the brush of angel's wings,
I see glory on each face;
Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.*

CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 63

*Leader: O God, you are my God, I seek you, my soul thirsts for you;
my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.*

People: So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary, beholding your power and glory.

Leader: Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you.

People: So I will bless you as long as I live;
I will lift up my hands and call on your name.

HYMN 478 Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above (Tune: Lauda Anima)

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *UNISON*

Ever gracious God, you call us into your house to praise your name, but so often we are preoccupied with our own concerns. You call us to empty ourselves in praise, but so often we want to be filled. You call us to be open to your challenging, disturbing, status-quo-upsetting word, but so often we come to this space and yearn for comfort and familiarity. It is hard to balance these various needs, O God. We want to be faithful to you and we want our faith to help us be secure. Forgive us, O Lord, when we lean too far in one direction or the other. Help us receive what we need, and help us to give what you call us to give. We offer this prayer in the name of Jesus, who calls us to action and who calls us to rest.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE

Leader: Hear the good news! Who is in a position to condemn?

People: Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us.

Leader: Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.

People: Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE UNISON

Sure-ly it is God who saves me; I will trust in God and not be a - fraid. For the

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Lord is my strong-hold and my sure__ de-fense, and God will__ be my__ Sav-ior.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Please greet one another with the words, "The Peace of Christ be with you." Those who have been standing may sit.

CALL TO COMPASSION – Advent Bags

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING I Peter 2:4-10 (New Testament, page 233)

ANTHEM

O How Amiable

Music: R. Vaughn Williams; Words: from Psalms 84 & 90

*O how amiable are thy dwellings: thou Lord of hosts!
My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord:
My heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.*

*Yea, the sparrow hath found her an house,
And the swallow a nest where she may lay her young:
Even thy altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.
Blessed are they that dwell in thy house:
They will be always praising thee.*

*The glorious Majesty of the Lord our God be upon us:
Prosper thou the work of our hands upon us.
O prosper thou our handiwork.*

*O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal home.*

SCRIPTURE READING Revelation 5:11-14 (New Testament, page 248)

SERMON Sanctuary

Those who are able are invited to stand.

RESPONSE TO THE WORD – HYMN 484 Sing with Hearts (Tune: Intako)

The choir will sing the introduction; the congregation is invited to sing the verses with choir.

Those who have been standing may sit.

SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & SILENT PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy 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 thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

CALL TO STEWARDSHIP

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

During the offering, please sign the Fellowship Pad and pass it to the person sitting next to you. When the pad reaches the end, please pass it back and take note of who is worshipping with you this morning.

OFFERTORY

God of Almighty Love

Words: Charles Wesley; Music: Richard Lloyd

*God of almighty love, by whose sufficient grace
I lift my heart to things above, and humbly seek thy face.*

*Through Jesus Christ the just my faint desires receive,
And let me in thy goodness trust, and to thy glory live.*

*Whate'er I say or do, Thy glory be my aim;
My offerings all be offered through the ever blessed name.*

*Jesus, my single eye be fixed on thee alone:
Thy name be praised on earth, on high, thy will by all be done.*

*Spirit of faith, inspire my consecrated heart:
Fill me with pure celestial fire, with all thou hast and art.*

Those who are able are invited to stand.

SONG OF PRAISE UNISON

Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

Praise Him[†] all creatures here below!

Praise Him[†] above ye heavenly host!

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost![‡]

[†]*You may substitute the word "God"*

[‡]*You may substitute the words "Creator, Word, and Holy Ghost!"*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

HYMN 256

Let the Whole Creation Cry

(Tune: Salzburg)

CALL TO EVANGELISM – Invite a Friend Sunday, October 11

WORDS OF SENDING & BLESSING

CALL TO ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

As environmental stewards of this earth, we have to opportunity to do our part by recycling our worship papers. After worship, please dispose of your bulletin in the blue or green recycling containers in the Narthex or outside the sanctuary doors by the pulpit.

POSTLUDE

Tollite Hostias

Composer: Camille Saint-Saens (1835-1921)/A. Schreiner (1901-1987)

The second period of Ordinary Time begins following Pentecost and continues until Advent. The liturgical color of Ordinary Time is green, the color of life and growth.

Liturgist – Leah Anderson-Little, Liz Nelson

Preacher – Dr. Dan Anderson-Little

Organist – Dr. Bill Wade, CAGO

Choir Director – Vicki Carmichael

Choir – Trinity Choir

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Notes on Today’s Music: The theme of the service is sanctuary. As a staff, we have been discussing what sanctuary means to each of us and how/where we find sanctuary. The prelude is from the Bach cantata *Herz und Mund und Tat und Leben* (Heart and Mouth and Deed and Life) (BWV 147). The literal translation of the movement is “Jesus shall remain my gladness”. The second hymn, Sing with Hearts, was written in 1983 by Jonathan Malicsi (b. 1932) and is a setting of Psalm 100. The tune, Intako, is a Kalinga melody from northern Luzon, Philippines. The introduction is usually sung to a bamboo buzzer accompaniment, but will be accompanied with a reed stop on the organ today. The title of the postlude is from an oratorio. The Latin lyrics, "*Tollite hostias, et adorate Dominum in atrio sancto ejus. Laetentur coeli, et exultet terra a facie Domini, quoniam venit. Alleluia.*", have been used by Saint-Saens, Bach, and Schubert. The lyrics are a biblical passage, Psalm 95 (96):9-13. "Bring offerings and worship the Lord in his holy habitation. Let the heavens rejoice and the earth exult in the presence of the Lord, for he comes. Hallelujah."

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

Monday, September 28

1 pm Genesis House Bible study, Youth Lounge

Tuesday, September 29

11 am Presbyterian Women, Dining Room

Wednesday, September 30

9:30 am Facilities planning meeting, Chapel

1-4 pm Food Pantry

Thursday, October 1

5:30 pm Bell Choir rehearsal, Choir Room

7:15 pm Trinity Choir rehearsal, Choir Room

Saturday, October 2

5 pm *The Commons@ the Loop* service, Chapel



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News and Notes for September 27, 2009

We open our doors to all persons to join in worship, fellowship, educational programs, and service.

We welcome into membership all who profess faith in Jesus Christ without regard to gender, race, ethnic origin, worldly conditions, sexual orientation, disability, or any other human condition.

We elect and ordain persons who are called by God and committed to serving the Lord Jesus Christ in the Church.

WELCOME TO TRINITY!

If you are seeking a church home, we encourage you to speak with the pastors. Information about our schedule can be found in the welcome brochure in the pews. We welcome children in worship, with childcare provided downstairs for children pre-school age and younger if wanted. Spiritual growth classes for children and adults are held at 9:30 am. Our 'uncommon' worship service, *The Commons@The Loop*, is held on Saturdays at 5pm in the Chapel.

ADULT EDUCATION

TODAY -10/4/09 (3 SESSIONS): STEWARDSHIP AS TRINITY'S FOUNDATION, SANCTUARY, AND BELL TOWER. Join the Stewardship Committee as we discuss the importance of Stewardship in our personal lives & the life of Trinity. This fun, discussion-based class will be a forum to discuss our feelings about church giving, and the ways our lives can be enriched by generosity. Come explore the discipleship of stewardship: thoughtful discussion, laughs, and even games with "prizes."

The next series (10/11/09 – 11/8/09) is a 5-session session DVD study featuring theologian *Walter Brueggemann: Countering Pharaoh's Production-Consumption Society Today*. Session One: The Way Out, Session Two: The Decalogue, Session Three: Countering Caesar, Session Four: An Act of Imagination, Session Five: On Not Doing God Any Favors.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SAVE THE DATE: Sunday, October 11th will be Trinity's "Invite a Friend Sunday." Invitations are in the Narthex.

CONFIRMATION STUDENTS: Mark your calendar for your trip to Six Flags Sunday, October 4th. You will leave from the church at 11:45am (immediately following Worship). Plan to have a parent pick you up at the church at 8:30pm. You must sign up for this event by TODAY so we can know how many vehicles are needed for transportation.

THE NETWORKING NOOK AND LIZ'S LIST (both on the board by the elevator) have information between members about job opportunities, employable skills, and items either to give away or acquire. Members of the community who use the building have been adding to the board as well.

CAN YOU HELP BAG BREAD OR PICK UP BREAD DONATIONS from the Bread Co. periodically? We are sharing donations with Grace & Peace Fellowship Church in the CWE for our food pantries and a few times a month we need a person to either pick up the bread on a Tuesday evening (the location on Delmar) and/or bag the bread Wednesday morning.

REPRESENT TRINITY AT A LOCAL CONFERENCE TO LEARN HOW TO BE A WELCOMING CHURCH for gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered persons. Friday-Sunday, October 9-11 at Bethel Lutheran on Big Bend right across from Wash U. Talk with Liz if interested in helping Trinity continue its mission of welcome for people of all sexual orientations.

CROP WALK IS COMING: Save the date of Sunday, October 25th and walk to end hunger. More information coming soon.

FINAL TRINITY HABITAT NEED: If you would like to put money toward a gift for the new home buyer, Sheronda Tate, please make out a check with "Habitat gift" on the memo line.

PLEASE WEAR YOUR NAME TAGS in worship and let the office know if you need a new one. Kids now have name tags, too.

ONE MORE DVD PLAYER NEEDED: Thanks to George Van Hare for the DVD player donation. We can use one more to meet our spiritual growth curriculum needs this year. Let Liz know if you can help. Thank you! (tpcucity@swbell.net).

PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION

If you would like an addition to the prayer list or know of a member in need of prayer, please [contact the church office](#).

Joys

Prayers of Joy and Thanksgiving:

- For the marriage of Meena Philips & Stephen Hoffman Sept. 19. Meena is the daughter of George & Alice Philips.

Prayers for Those Preparing for Ministry:

- For Dawn Fleishman, Trinity's Minister of Spiritual Growth, as she pursues pastoral studies at Eden Seminary.
- For Rhonda Dunbar as she studies at the Presbyterian School of Christian Education in Richmond, VA.
- For Diane O'Brien as she pursues theological studies at Eden Seminary.

Concerns

Prayers for Comfort:

- For Rachel Bowell and her family at the death of her grandmother Sarah Eichar who died on Sept. 14.

Prayers for Safety:

- For Jon Gibbons, son of Pat and Jane Gibbons, husband of Emily Shapiro and father of Harriet and Frances, who will be serving as an anesthesiologist at a military hospital in Kandahar, Afghanistan from October 2009-May 2010.

Prayers for New Beginnings:

- For all Trinity members struggling with economic and employment concerns.
- For Cricket & Brian Gordon, spending a semester in Canterbury, England for a University program.

Prayers for Healing:

- For George Hodgson, Birty Hodgson's father, in serious condition with prostate cancer, in Nicaragua.
- For Polly Brown's daughter, Sharon Vatt, in critical condition with Pulmonary Disease in Minneapolis, MN.
- For Rex Bull, father of Cathy Hasler, in Missouri Baptist for congenital heart failure, kidney problems, and recovery from a mini-stroke.
- For the Pontious family as they work to help Adam have an abundant life in the midst of disabilities, including his move to Beverly Farm in Grafton, IL.
- For Rev. Don Weems, Trinity's Pastor Emeritus, receiving treatment for prostate cancer.
- For newborn Max Griffin and his parents Jordan & Claire, friends of Stephanie Ball. Max is in intensive care with a Congenital diaphragmatic hernia (CDH).
- For Vicki Carmichael's brother Warren, his wife, Lori, and his family as they go through difficult times.
- For Jean Dausch, Cricket Gordon's friend, who has been diagnosed with ALS.
- For Rev. Louis Platt, Art Platt's brother, being treated for lung cancer.
- For Katy Gordon, daughter of Cricket and Brian Gordon, being treated for cysts on her liver.
- For Lorraine McGhee, Roberta McBride's neighbor, who is dealing with multiple health problems.
- For Harold Glad and Jan Schulte-Glad as they deal with Harold's Early Stage Alzheimer's.
- For Bob Reynolds, significant other of Janet Guenther, in a nursing home after a stroke.
- For Suzanne Trahan, friend of Traci O'Bryan, who is being treated for breast cancer; and for Suzanne's father John Foushee who is undergoing treatment for esophageal cancer.
- For Fred Gould, Stacy Shupe's uncle, diagnosed with an aggressive rectal cancer that has spread to his liver.
- For Susan Lim as she nears the end of treatment for breast cancer.
- For Jon Billings, Vicki Carmichael's sister-in-law's brother, recovering from surgery for pancreatic cancer.
- For Susan Harris and family, close friends of Cheryl & Reed Evans, being treated for a sinus/brain tumor.
- For Lisa Becker, Karon Bilbrey's niece, who is dealing with thyroid cancer.
- For Ann Weems, being treated for kidney disease.
- For Mark Mellinger, Christy Schindler's cousin in Flower Mound, TX, receiving treatment for lung & brain cancer.
- For Bill Hedrick, former pastor of Second Presbyterian Church in St. Louis who has been diagnosed with myelofibrosis, a bone marrow disorder.
- For Anna Gordon, as Cricket & Brian continue to work on her care issues.
- For Dianne Anderson, mother-in-law of Dan Anderson-Little, who is dealing with liver disease.
- For Kim Merritt, dealing with multiple health issues.
- For Barbara Robinson, who is in a coma following a stroke.

Prayers for Homebound Members:

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| • Maxine Story | • Jim Pettus | • Evelyn Patterson | |