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TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

Prelude

* Please rise in body or in spirit.

Welcome & Announcements

Leader: The Lord be with you

All: **And also with you**

* Call to Worship

Leader: Sing to the Lord a new song!

Make a joyful noise all the earth:

People: **let the seas roar, and all that fills it,
the world and those who live in it.**

Leader: Let the floods clap their hands;

People: **let the hills sing together for joy
at the presence of the Lord.**

All: **Praise the Lord!**

* Gathering Song

Earth and All Stars!
Glory to God #26, v. 1-4

* Invitation to Confession

* Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Merciful God,
in your gracious presence
we confess our sin and the sin of this world.
Although Christ is among us as our peace,
we are a people divided against ourselves
as we cling to the values of a broken world.

**The profit and pleasures we pursue
lay waste the land and pollute the seas.
The fears and jealousies that we harbor
set neighbor against neighbor
and nation against nation.**

**We abuse your good gifts of imagination and freedom,
of intellect and reason,
and have turned them into bonds of oppression.**

**Lord, have mercy upon us;
heal and forgive us.
Set us free to serve you in the world
as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ.
Amen**

*** Assurance of God's Forgiveness**

Leader: Dear friends,
who is in a position to condemn us?
Only Christ.
And Christ died for us,
Christ rose for us,
Christ reigns in power for us
and Christ prays for us still.
Anyone who is in Christ is a brand-new creation.
See the old life has gone,
and a new life, has begun.
Believe the good news that through Christ,
We are forgiven and be at peace.

People: **Thanks be to God – Amen!**

*** Passing The Peace**

Leader: The Lord be with you
People: **And also with you**

Please share the peace of Christ with those around you

*** Song of Praise**

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me
Glory to God #582, v. 1-2

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

Time with Children

Anthem

You Can Tell the World
arr. Brian Fairbanks

*** Prayer for Illumination**

Scripture Reading

John 20.24-31

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

²⁶A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' ²⁷Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' ²⁸Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' ²⁹Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. ³¹But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Leader: The Word of the Lord

All: **Thanks be to God**

Message

Rev. Mel Smith

Affirmation of Faith

Adapted from the Confession of 1967

**The risen Christ is the Savior of all people.
Those joined to him by faith
Are set right with God
And commissioned to serve
As God's reconciling community.
Christ is head of this community, the church,
Which began with the apostles
And continues through all generations.**

Communion

Invitation to the Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you

People: And also with you

Leader: Lift up your hearts

People: we lift them up to the Lord

Leader: Let us give thanks and praise the Lord our God

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Sanctus (Holy, Holy, Holy)

by Christian Hendricks

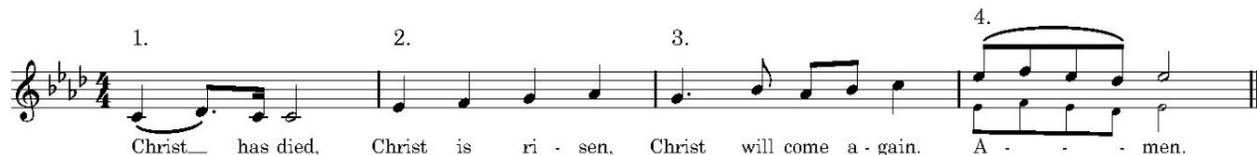
Piano

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, lord God of love and light, heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.

The image shows a musical score for piano. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. The key signature is one flat (B-flat) and the time signature is 8/8. The melody is primarily in the treble clef, with accompaniment in the bass clef. The lyrics are written below the notes.

Memorial Acclamation (Christ Has Died; Christ Is Risen)

by Christian Hendricks



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 glory forever. Amen.**

Words of Institution

Song of Distribution

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart
Glory to God #523, v. 1-5

Prayer After Communion (unison)

**Loving God,
we give you thanks for the holy mysteries of this meal –
and for feeding us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation.
May we who have received this sacrament
be strengthened in your service;
we who have sung your praises
tell of your glory and truth;
we who have seen the greatness of your love
see you face to face in your kingdom.
For you have made us your own people
by the death and resurrection of your Son our Lord
and the life-giving power of your Spirit.
Amen.**

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Invitation to the offering

**During the offertory, everyone is invited to come forward and place their offering or pledge card in the offering plate – if you have already made your pledge, there are cards available for you to bring up and place in the plate as well!*

Offering

Invitation

Offertory

Our Time
by Stephen Sondheim

*** Doxology**

We Are an Offering
Glory to God #710, v. 1

Litany of Dedication

Leader: Creating God,
The earth is yours and all that is in it.

People: **From the mountain tops,
to the depths of the ocean,
all that is seen and unseen,
comes from you.**

Leader: Formed from your love,
we each bear your image,
equipped with different skills and abilities.

People: **We give you thanks and praise
for all we have received.**

Leader: Out of gratitude, we bring what we can;

People: **the work of our hands,
the creativity of our minds,
the skills we have learned,
the money we are able to contribute.**

Leader: As the body of Christ at Trinity Presbyterian Church,
we dedicate these pledges –
may they be used wisely as we follow you
and work to proclaim good news in word and deed:

People: **feeding the hungry,
sheltering the homeless,
offering warm welcome,
extending hospitality,
caring for the sick,
comforting the grieving,
working for justice,
and continuing the story of faith.**

Leader: This we pray in the name of Jesus Christ,

People: **To God be the Glory – Amen!**

*** Song of Service**

We Give Thee but Thine Own
Glory to God #708, v.1-4

*** Commission and Blessing**

Postlude

Please join us in the chapel after worship for fellowship!

Participants in Today's Worship

Acolyte – Alice Armstrong-Crumb

Children & Youth Minister – Hannah Peters

Communications Coordinator – Katie Gibbons

Director of Music & Pianist/Organist – Christian Hendricks

Liturgist – John Merker, Jayne Howard & Jenn Clodi

Preacher – Rev Mel Smith

Technical Support – Dylan Voss

Ushers –DeAnne & Gordon Brown, John & Corie Merker

The Trinity Choir:

Soprano – Aleta Klein, Cricket Gordon, Jenn Clodi, Madeline Black (Section Leader)

Alto – Margy Brown, Nancy Wagoner, Rachel Presti, Janelle Pierce (Section Leader)

Tenor – Pat Courtney, Evan Babel (Section Leader)

Bass –Nigel Holloway, Brian Schroer

Contact Trinity's staff and leadership by emailing admin@trinityucity.org or contacting the church office.

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH NEWS AND NOTES FOR NOVEMBER 6, 2022

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.

Let's talk turkeys. On November 16, the Winger Food Pantry will be celebrating Thanksgiving with the food pantry clients. We have promised 70 turkeys to our regular clients but would also like to have about 20 extra to give to those clients who have only visited the pantry a few times. Stacey Carmen contacted Dierbergs and they will guarantee the 90 turkeys for us. The cost will be about \$2340.00. We need your help. Please consider making a donation to the food pantry marked turkeys. Turkeys are in short supply this year so we are very thankful that Dierbergs is coming through for us again this year.

We also need side items to accompany each turkey. On November 6, communion Sunday, we are asking folks to donate some of the items that will be given away with the turkeys.

Items needed are:

Canned pumpkin

Condensed milk

Stuffing

Mashed potatoes

Cranberry sauce

Green beans

Mushroom soup

French fried onions for green bean casserole

Canned Sweet potatoes

Anything you can donate will be greatly appreciated.

Save the Date: All women of the church are invited to our annual Christmas party and white elephant gift exchange. The date is Saturday, December 3, 11:30-1:30 in the church dining room. It will be a salad, dessert pot luck again this year. We had such fun last year and excellent attendance. Please put it on your calendar. Any questions, please contact Sandy Norkaitis, slnork@charter.net or 314-863-7699.

Kitchen Cabinet Future Gatherings

Discussions were had and the future meetings of the Kitchen Cabinet will be in Person the First Thursday's of the month, and on Zoom the Third Thursday's of the month. See below for our tentative schedule:

Next gatherings:

Thursday, November 17 via Zoom

Saturday, December 3 - Christmas party at Trinity - No Thursday gathering

Thursday, December 15 - Zoom

Thursday, January 5 at Trinity, Weems Chapel

Thursday, January 19 - Zoom

The Food Pantry uses the local Schnucks store to purchase canned goods and other non-perishables for the pantry. We are taking part in the Schnucks reward program and receive award credits to use as credit against our food pantry purchases. If you shop at Schnucks, you too can add to this by using Trinity's phone number 725-3840 when checking out. The credit will go against future food pantry purchases. The small amounts add up!

Trinity is "broadcasting" our Sunday morning 10 a.m. worship service via our Facebook page or you can watch the recording on YouTube later on. Those who participate in this way on home computers or mobile devices can even type messages to one another during the live service, such as doing a virtual passing of the peace. Also, Facebook has captions! While watching the service, find the gear icon at the bottom of the video and click on it. When you do, an option pops up to turn on closed captioning!

While we live in this challenging time, Trinity continues to be available to all those who need us. Members desiring pastoral care are encouraged to call the church office at 314-725-3840 or to reach out to Deacon Corie Merker, 314-434-8286. Your need will be shared confidentially with our Pastor the Reverend Mel Smith. You also can email her directly at melanie.smith@trinityucity.org

Supporting the church through your financial gifts continues to be encouraged! Please mail your contributions to Trinity Presbyterian Church, Att'n: Linde, 6800 Washington Ave., University City, MO 63130, or check out the online giving instructions below.

- 1) Text the code TPCDONATE \$[your gift] to 73256. You'll receive a text back with a link that lets you complete your online donation.
- 2) Log in to your Onrealm account (onrealm.org) and click on the "Giving" tab.

Session

Diana Gray, Kevin Harkins, Diane Hemphill, Jayne Howard, Jane Kaiser, Mary Klingensmith,
Sarah New Mayer (Clerk), Mary McKown, Bob Parks, Jan Schulte-Glad

Deacons

Anna Gardner-Andrews, DeAnne Brown, Stacey Carman, Cricket Gordon, Jennifer Higginbotham,
Corie Merker, John Merker, Jim Person, Art Platt, Christy Schindler