



Trinity Presbyterian Church PCA  
*Gathering in the Name of the Triune God*

November 24, 2019



The Tree of Life

In the Bible, trees are given to man for food and medicine as well as beauty and shade. Trees are an emblem of God's glory in the world and so are fitting symbols of God's people. We can flourish "like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither" (Psalm 1:3). The growth of the kingdom is likened to a rising, spreading tree (Ezek. 17; Matt. 13:31-32). Adam's fall severed us from access to the Tree of Life, but united to Christ we again have access to its life-giving fruit (Rev. 22:2). The Tree of Life is a symbol of Jesus. The time between Pentecost and Advent is called Trinity Season. The color green is used to symbolize life, growth, and the maturation of Jesus' kingdom.

LORD's Day Service – November 24, 2019

Preparation for Worship: Psalm 100

*Welcome*

**Entrance – God Calls Us; we gather together and praise Him**

\* *Call to Worship* Psalm 108:3-6

Pastor: Grace to you and peace, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Congregation: Amen!**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**Congregation: And also with you.**

Pastor: Our help is in the Name of the Lord!

**Congregation: Who made heaven and earth!**

Pastor: O come, let us sing for joy to the LORD:

**Congregation: Let us shout joyfully to the Rock of our salvation.**

Pastor: Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving;

**Congregation: Let us shout joyfully to Him with psalms.**

\* *Hymn of Praise* Trinity Hymnal, #615  
*Come, Ye Thankful People, Come*

\* *New Testament Lesson* Romans 15:4-12  
The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**

**Purification - God Cleanses Us; we confess our sins to Him  
and are forgiven in Christ**

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

**But if we confess our sins, God, Who is faithful and just, will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Let us kneel before the Lord our God. *(Those unable to kneel may be seated.)*

**Have mercy upon me, O God, according to Your lovingkindness; according to the multitude of Your tender mercies, blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. For I acknowledge my transgressions, and my sin is always before me. We confide in Your grace and mercy through Christ, Your Son, our Lord and Savior. Amen!** *from Psalm 51*

*(Silent, personal confession of sin)*

Now lift up your heads, arise, and hear the good news! Brothers and sisters, your sins are forgiven and your lives are rescued in our Lord Jesus Christ. Believe this and rejoice! And the people say...

**Thanks be to God! Our sins are forgiven in Jesus' name. AMEN!**

**Ascension – God Consecrates Us; we listen to Him  
and offer our works and lives to Him**

\* Lift up your hearts!

**We lift them up to the Lord!**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God!

**It is proper and right to do so!**

Truly it is fitting and our greatest joy to give thanks to You at all times and in all places, O Lord, holy Father, Almighty and everlasting God. Therefore, with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, and with the church on earth, we praise and magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You and singing...

\**The Sanctus* (inside hymnal or psalter cover)

*Hymn of Preparation* Psalter, #57A (5 stanzas; tune 107D)  
*Be Gracious unto Me, O God*

Let us pray: **Blessed Lord, Who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace Your most gracious rule, and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which You have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen!**

\* *Old Testament Lesson* 1 Samuel 22:1, 2; 24:1-7; Psalm 57  
The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**

\* *Gospel Lesson* Matthew 23:37 – 24:2  
The Gospel of our Lord Jesus.  
**Praise to You, O Christ!**

*Sermon* "Saved to Sing under the Shadow of His Wings"

\* *Hymn of Consecration* Trinity Hymnal, #86  
*Now Thank We All Our God*

\* *Dedication of Tithes & Offerings*

*Prayers of the Church* Requests & Lord's Prayer

**Peace - God Communes with Us; we eat at His table**

*Sacrament of the Lord's Supper* 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

*We Confess Our Faith in the Triune, Incarnate God* Creed (inside hymnal cover)

\* *Hymn of Thanksgiving* (See insert)  
*Let All Things Now Living*

**Benediction - God Commissions & Blesses Us; we march out to serve Him**

\* *The Lord's Commission of Us* Romans 15:11

\* *We Receive God's Blessing, His Good Word to Us* Romans 15:13

\* *We Bless the Lord, Lifting Our Hands and Voices to Him* *Doxology*

\* *Threefold Amen*

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**LORD'S SUPPER**

We observe Communion, or the Lord's Supper, weekly in our midst.

We believe it is worthily received by those who:

1. Have been baptized in the name of the Triune God (Matt 28:18-20);
2. Do profess faith in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God, and Savior of sinners, and do rest upon Him alone for salvation as He is offered in the Gospel (Ro 10:9-10);
3. Do live in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit and endeavor to live as becomes the followers of Jesus Christ (Gal 5:16-26); and
4. Are communing members in good standing in an evangelical church (1 Cor 10:1-6)

If these things are all true, we rejoice with you and invite you to commune with us at the Lord's Supper. If any of these are not true of you, we ask that you refrain. We invite you to speak to one of the Elders if you have doubts or questions regarding any of these beliefs, or if you are interested in learning more about Trinity.

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*Though collections are not ordinarily taken during a service, giving is a vital element of worship. Tithes and offerings may be placed in the basket at the rear of the church. (2 Corinthians 9:6-11)*

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