



Trinity Presbyterian Church

Gathering in the Name of the Triune God

A Southeastern Wisconsin PCA (Presbyterian Church of America) church.

September 25, 2016



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 – September 25, 2016

Entrance – God Calls Us to Worship

Pastor: The Lord be with you!

People: And also with you!

Ruth 2:4

Pastor: Our help is in the Name of Yahweh,

People: Who made heaven and earth.

Ps 124:8

Pastor: In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit!

People: Amen!

Mt 28:19

* *Hymn of Praise*

Trinity Hymnal, #290

When in His Might the Lord Arose

Purification – We Confess Our Sins to God

My dear God, teach me not to begin faith by my own efforts, nor to attempt to destroy my sin with my own repentance. I might do this before the world and its judges, but with you, O God, there is an eternal wrath which I cannot satisfy, and before it I would despair. Therefore I thank you that Another has seized and carried my sins and has made atonement for them. With joy I wish to believe this. It seems so very right and comforting to me. But I cannot believe it by myself; Lord, help me. Give me the power and gift to believe. I cannot create the sun and moon, or make them shine brightly in the heavens, any more than I can make my heart clean or give myself a right spirit, a strong and firm frame of mind that is unbending and unwavering and that will not doubt or mistrust your Word. Though the world should topple and all conspire against me, by your divine help let me remain in the Gospel. Amen! (*Luther's Prayers, ed by Herbert Brokering*)

(Silent, personal confession of sin)

Lift up your heads, arise and hear the good news! Our heavenly Father, in His great mercy, has given His only Son to die for us, and for His sake pardons and rescues you from all your sins in order to present you spotless before His glory with great joy!

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

Ascension – God Consecrates Us by His Word

Pastor: Lift up your hearts!

People: We lift them up to the Lord!

Ps 86:4, Lam 3:41

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God!

People: It is proper and right to do so!

Psalm 92:1

Pastor: Truly it is fitting and our greatest joy to give thanks to you at all times and in every place, 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.

*** Hymn of Preparation**

Psalter, #91A
Who with God Most High Finds Shelter

Old Testament Lesson

Psalms 126

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

New Testament Lesson

Acts 12:5-19

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

*** Gospel Lesson**

Luke 24:1-12, 36-43

Pastor: The Gospel of Lord Jesus.

People: Praise to you, O Christ!

*** Prayer**

Grant us, O Lord to trust in you with all our hearts; help us not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen!

Sermon

"The True King Rules" Part 2: an angel of the Lord delivers again – Peter freed from prison

Tribute – We Offer Ourselves through Tithes

*** Hymn of Consecration**

Psalter, #77B
Forever Will the Lord Cast Off

*** Presentation & Dedication of Tithes & Offerings**

Prayers of the Church

Requests & Lord's Prayer

Peace – We Commune with God

Words of the 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**

Psalter, #34C
In Every Time I'll Always Bless the LORD

Benediction – God Commissions & Blesses Us

*** The Lord's Commission of Us**

1 Thessalonians 5:16-22

*** We Receive God's Blessing, His Good Word to Us**

1 Thessalonians 5:23

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

Gloria Patri

*** Announcements**

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.

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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Sermon Notes – September 25, 2016

The True King Rules – Part 2: an angel of the Lord delivers again -- Peter freed from prison Text: Acts 12:5-19

1. The serpent's seed strikes again: What makes a ruler act violently toward his subjects?
Herod acts violently toward some from the church, kills James, imprisons Peter (1-5)

2. An angel of the Lord delivers again: Peter is rescued from Herod & prison (6-19)
 - A. The _____ of the true King & Peter
How Peter's deliverance was magnified by "heaven":

 - B. The _____ of the Lord's rescue of Peter & the people of great _____
How Peter's deliverance was manifested on earth:

 - C. The _____ of the early Christians regarding visions, angels, resurrection
How this rescue rings of down-to-earth truth that is truly heaven-on-earthish:

Announcements

Sunday School

There will meet in the sanctuary at 11:30 am for a Bible geography lesson from Acts.

Scripture Memory

1 Corinthians 13:1-13. This week review v 1-11 and memorize v 12.

4. *Love suffers long and is kind; love does not envy; love does not parade itself, is not puffed up;*
5. *does not behave rudely, does not seek its own, is not provoked, thinks no evil;*
6. *does not rejoice in iniquity, but rejoices in the truth;*
7. *bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.*
8. *Love never fails. But whether there are prophecies, they will fail; whether there are tongues, they will cease; whether there is knowledge, it will vanish away.*
9. *For we know in part and we prophesy in part.*
10. *But when that which is perfect has come, then that which is in part will be done away.*
11. *When I was a child, I spoke as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child; but when I became a man, I put away childish things.*
12. *For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part, but then I shall know just as I also am known*

Pro-life Activities

- Thank you to all who contributed to the Bethany Christian Services Golf Outing on September 16th. It was a great day of generosity and service to the Lord!
- Life Chain is on Sunday, October 2nd. Please contact Deacon Reich for all the information. We will be at the same location from 2 – 3:30 pm. Steve has the signs.

WIC Activities

- Women's Bible Study for September 26th is cancelled. Next study is October 10th.
- Bridal Shower for Bethany Burie Saturday, October 1 at 1 pm. This is the last Sunday to sign up for what you would like to bring. A signup sheet is being circulated today.
- Women's Retreat November 11-12 at Green Lake, WI. Registration deadline is October 3rd and must be done on-line. See Barb Hummel if you can help at the book table or if you need scholarship money to attend.

Set-up Teams

October 2 Team 1 Dykema*, Burie, N Greenwald, Hammer, Zitzke

Next Week

Following Weeks

October 9 Team 2 Greenwald, D*, Dietzel, B Dykema, N Pennington, Peterson
October 16 Team 3 J Hummel,* D Dykema, Nader, S Pennington, Seaman
October 23 Team 4 J Pennington,* Eternick, K Hummel, Jens, Kelling, Sosnoski
October 30 Team 5 Reich*, D'Alessio, Leskinen, Piquette, Ruchti