



Trinity Presbyterian Church

Gathering in the Name of the Triune God

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

March 26, 2017



The simple, unadorned cross reminds us of God the Son's climactic act of service for humanity. He allowed his arms to be stretched out on the cross bar, and with his feet they were nailed to the tree. Thus he voluntarily gave himself up to death for the sins of his people. Paul tells us that the Gospel is *"the message of the cross...to us who are being saved is the power of God"* (1 Co 1:18).

The color used in the sanctuary in anticipation of Easter is purple or violet. These colors symbolize both the pain and suffering leading up to the crucifixion of Jesus as well as the suffering of humanity and the world under sin. But purple is also the color of royalty, and so anticipates through the suffering and death of Jesus the coming resurrection and hope of newness that will be celebrated in the Resurrection on Easter Sunday.

Lord's Day Service – March 26, 2017

Entrance – God Calls Us to Worship

Silent Preparation for Worship

Call to Worship

Isaiah 40:18-20, 25-26, 28b-29

Pastor: Let us rise and worship God, in the Name of the
Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Mt 28:19

People: **Amen!**

* *Hymn of Praise*

Trinity Hymnal, #348
O Bless Our God with One Accord

* **Salutation & Responsive Scripture**

Pastor: The Lord be with you!

People: **And also with you!**

Ruth 2:4

Pastor: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins;

People: **For His mercy endures forever.**

Purification – We Confess Our Sins to God

Call to Repentance

Psalm 139:23-24; Ephesians 5:3-7

Almighty God, you sent your Son into the world to deliver your captive people; Surely you have done great things for us; Yet we continue to ignore what you have done. We turn our backs on what you are doing, and we forget about what you will do; Forgive us of our sinful apathy; grant to us the assurance of salvation; cause your Holy Spirit to work in us genuine repentance and wholehearted obedience..

(Silent, personal confession of sin)

We ask this through him whose coming is certain, whose day draws near, your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen!

Now lift up your heads, arise, and hear the good news from 1 John 1:9! Brothers and sisters, your sins are forgiven and your lives are rescued in our Lord Jesus Christ. Believe this and rejoice!!

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

People: It is proper and right to do so!
Pastor: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was in every way tempted as we are, yet did not sin; by whose grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer unto ourselves, but unto him who died for us and rose again. Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels and with all the Church in heaven and on earth, singing...

* **Hymn of Preparation** Psalter, #139B
If I the Wings of Morning Take

* **Prayer**
Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever Amen!

Old Testament Lesson Isaiah 41:17 – 42:1
Pastor: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God!

New Testament Lesson Acts 17:22-34
Pastor: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God!

* **Gospel Lesson** John 5:16-30
Pastor: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus.
People: Praise to you, O Christ!

Sermon "Preaching the Gospel of the Creator God at Athens" – Part 2

Tribute – We Offer Ourselves through Tithes

* **Hymn of Consecration** Psalter, #9A
I Now Will Give Wholehearted Thanks to the LORD

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

Prayers of the Church Requests & Lord's Prayer

Peace – We Commune with God
Sacrament of the Lord's Supper Proverbs 9:1-6

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

* **Hymn of Thanksgiving** *The King of Glory Comes* (See insert)

Benediction – God Commissions & Blesses Us

* **The Lord's Commission of Us** 2 Timothy 4:2

* **We Receive God's Blessing, His Good Word to Us** 2 Timothy 4:22

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

* **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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"Preaching the Gospel of the Creator God at Athens" – Part 2
Text: Acts 17:22-34

1. Paul's challenge to the philosophers: 'the Creator God can be & wants to be _____.
 - A. To the Epicureans: The Creator God is very _____ & _____ in human life.
 - B. To the Stoics: We are the Creator God's _____, because He made us in His _____.

2. Paul's defense that he was not preaching foreign gods in preaching Jesus & the resurrection.
 - A. We are living at a _____ time in the history of the Creator's world
 - B. The Creator God has set a _____ time when He will set the world _____ by His appointed Man

Announcements

Welcome

We are so glad you came today. If you have any questions about Trinity Presbyterian Church, please call 262-894-8768. We ask visitors to fill out a card from the pew rack and leave it in the offering basket on the back table.

Children

We love kids and encourage their presence in the entire Lord's Service. In the basement we do have an area for nursing moms and a cry area to attend to a child's need.

Prayer

An important part of worship is intercessory prayer. Each Sunday morning one of the officers prays for the congregation. If you have a request, please fill out a prayer card on the back table and put it in the offering box prior to the service.

Sunday School

Sunday School will meet at 11:30 AM in the sanctuary for a lesson from the catechism.

Westminster Shorter Catechism

This week's focus is WSC 10, "How did God create man?" Family Worship Guides are available on the back table and will also be emailed to the congregation.

Scripture Memory for this Week

Colossians 3:10, *and have put on the new man who is renewed in knowledge according to the image of Him who created him.* Ephesians 4:24, *and that you put on the new man which was created according to God, in true righteousness and holiness.*

WIC Activities

The women will meet tomorrow, 7 PM for Bible study & continue discussion of Chapter 4 study questions.

Passover/Seder Meal

Would you like to participate in a Passover Seder such as Jesus kept with His disciples, but also learn how the various parts of the service are fulfilled in Christ, and learn how Jesus instituted His supper in this meal? If interested, please contact pastor today. The Seder meal will be held on Good Friday (4/14), 6 pm.

Set-up Teams

Note week reversals in italics below.

Next Week

April 2 Team 2 Greenwald, D*, Dietzel, B Dykema, N Pennington, Peterson

Following Weeks

April 9 Team 4 *J Pennington, * Eternick, K Hummel, Jens, Kelling, Sosnoski*
April 16 Team 3 *J Hummel, * D Dykema, Nader, S Pennington, Seaman*
April 23 Team 5 Reich*, D'Alessio, Leskinen, Piquette, Ruchti, Talavera
April 30 Team 1 Dykema*, Burie, N Greenwald, Hammer