



Trinity Presbyterian Church

Gathering in the Name of the Triune God

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

July 9, 2017



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 – July 9, 2017

Entrance – God Calls Us to Worship

Silent Preparation for Worship

Call to Worship

Psalm 145

* Salutation & Responsive Scripture

Pastor: In the Name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Mt 28:19

People: **Amen!**

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

People: **Who made heaven and earth.**

Ps 124:8

Pastor: The Lord be with you!

People: **And also with you!**

Ruth 2:4

* Hymn of Praise

(See insert)

I Will Exalt My God and King (vs 1-4)

Purification – We Confess Our Sins to God

O most merciful God, since You have given Your only begotten Son to die for me, have mercy on me, and for His sake grant me remission of all my sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in me true knowledge of You and of Your will, and true obedience to Your Word, that by Your grace I may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ my Lord. Amen!

(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!**

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

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

Pastor: It is truly right to glorify You, Father, and to give You thanks, for by water and the Holy Spirit You have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our

Lord, to show forth Your glory in all the world. Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the Church in heaven and on earth, we praise and magnify Your glorious name. Let us sing...

*** Hymn of Preparation**

Trinity Hymnal, #32
The God of Abraham Praise

*** Prayer**

O God, You have taught us to keep all Your commandments by loving You and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of Your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to You with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen!

Old Testament Lesson

Psalm 78:1-11, 65-72

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

New Testament Lesson

Acts 21:37 – 22:22

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

*** Gospel Lesson**

John 15:9-21

Pastor: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus.

People: **Praise to you, O Christ!**

Sermon

"Paul's First Defense: Out of his own mouth"

Tribute – We Offer Ourselves through Tithes

*** Hymn of Consecration**

Trinity Hymnal, #35
Immortal, Invisible, God only Wise

*** 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

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

We Confess Our Faith in the Triune, Incarnate God

Creed (inside hymnal cover)

*** Hymn of Thanksgiving**

Psalm 67 (See insert)
O God, Show Mercy to Us (tune: Thaxted)

Benediction – God Commissions & Blesses Us

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

2 Timothy 1:7-9

*** 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 – July 9, 2017

"Paul's First Defense: *Out of his own mouth*"

Text: Acts 21:37--22:22

1. Using liberty of speech, in a _____ position, to take command of a situation (21:37-40)

2. Making use of the opportunity to speak to enemies of their own _____ (22:1-22)
 - A. How does Paul establish his "credentials" with the Jewish mob? (1-5) _____

 - B. What's the explanation for Paul's experience on the road to Damascus? (6-11) _____

 - C. Why does the mob listen about Paul's time in Damascus & Jerusalem? (12-20) _____

 - D. What causes the crowd to cut off Paul's defense with a violent reaction? (21-22) _____

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 in the sanctuary at 11:30 am. The lesson will be: "An Odyssey of Praise on Water."

Directory Update

Don't forget to pick up your June, 2017 church directory downstairs.

Fellowship Picnic

Join us for a Fellowship Picnic on the back lawn of the church following the morning services.

Westminster Shorter Catechism

This week's focus is WSC 25, "How does Christ execute the office of a priest?" Family Worship Helps are available on the back table and by email.

Scripture Memory for this Week

Hebrews 2:17 *In all things He had to be made like His brethren, that He might be a merciful and faithful High Priest in things pertaining to God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people.*

Set-up Teams

Next Week

July 16 Team 2 Greenwald, D*, Dietzel, B Dykema, N Pennington, Peterson

Following Weeks

July 23 Team 3 J Hummel,* D Dykema, Nader, S Pennington, Seaman
July 30 Team 4 J Pennington,* Eternick, K Hummel, Jens, A Pennington, Sosnoski
August 6 Team 5 Reich*, D'Alessio, DiFrances, Leskinen, Piquette, Ruchti, Talavera
August 13 Team 1 Dykema*, Burie, N Greenwald, Hammer