



Trinity Presbyterian Church

Gathering in the Name of the Triune God

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

September 10, 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 – September 10, 2017

Entrance – God Calls Us to Worship

Silent Preparation for Worship

Call to Worship

Revelation 1:17-18; 2:8, 11

* **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**

Trinity Hymnal, #199
Welcome, Happy Morning!

Purification – We Confess Our Sins to God

Almighty God and our Father, You have appointed death to be the wages of sin, and we confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed. But You have promised forgiveness of sin and life to all that trust in Your Son's death and by true repentance turn unto You. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for our transgressions of Your holy law. Have mercy upon us, O God. Accept us in Your beloved Son, who was made a curse for us and was raised for our justification. According to the multitude of Your mercies, cleanse us from our sins; and help us to serve and please You in newness of life, to the honor and glory of Your name, through Jesus Christ our 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: 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, we praise You by joining our voices with angels and archangels and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your Name. Let us sing...

* *Hymn of Preparation* Trinity Hymnal, #204
Alleluia! Alleluia! (tune: *Ode to Joy*)

* *Prayer*
Grant, us, O Lord, to trust in You with all our hearts; for, as You always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so You never forsake those who make their boast of Your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen!

Old Testament Lesson Deuteronomy 1:16-17;
Pastor: The Word of the Lord. Proverbs 24:21-25
People: Thanks be to God!

New Testament Lesson Acts 25:13-27
Pastor: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God!

* *Gospel Lesson* John 7:21-24; 40-52
Pastor: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus.
People: Praise to you, O Christ!

Sermon "Agrippa & Bernice Greet Festus & Meet Paul"

Tribute – We Offer Ourselves through Tithes

* *Hymn of Consecration* Psalter, #16B
Preserve Me, O God

* *Presentation & Dedication of Tithes & Offerings*

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* Trinity Hymnal, #207
Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands

Benediction – God Commissions & Blesses Us

* *The Lord's Commission of Us* Romans 6:4, 5

* *We Receive God's Blessing, His Good Word to Us* Revelation 1:4-6

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

* *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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Sermon Notes – September 10, 2017

"Agrippa & Bernice Greet Festus & Meet Paul"

Text: Acts 25:13-27

1. How Agrippa & Bernice appeared to others (13,23)
 - A. He was _____.

 - B. She was the focus of _____.

2. How Paul & the faith in Jesus Christ appeared to Roman Governor Festus (14-21)
 - A. The faith is merely a dispute about a _____ .

 - B. Paul is _____ by the Jews but has done nothing wrong.

3. How Festus appeared to others, namely Luke (22-27)
 - A. He _____ the account of what happened to favor himself.

 - B. He knows the law but doesn't always judge _____ or do what he knows to do.

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

No Sunday School today.

Fellowship Meal

We will picnic today after the Lord's service at a local Waukesha park. Details will be given.

Women's Study

Tomorrow evening at **6 pm**, the women will begin Sinclair Ferguson's video study called "Who Is the Holy Spirit?" Let Barb know today if you would like to participate. Study guides are \$3.75.

Life Chain

This year's Life Chain will be Sunday, October 12th; we will be at the same location. Deacon Reich will have the signs and instructions. A \$1/person donation is requested and will be given to Life Chain when the event is over.

Reformation Day

See Jessica if you are interested in helping with a Reformation Day play on October 29th.

Westminster Shorter Catechism

This week's focus is WSC 34, "What is adoption?" Family Worship Helps are available on the back table and by email.

Scripture Memory for this Week

John 1:12,13, *But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe on His name; who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.*

Set-up Teams

Note the **order** changes identified in **bold print**.

Next Week

September 17 Team 1 Dykema*, Burie, N Greenwald, Hammer

Following Weeks

September 24 **Team 4** J Pennington,* Eternick, K Hummel, Jens, A Pennington, Sosnoski
October 1 Team 3 J Hummel,* D Dykema, Nader, S Pennington, Seaman
October 8 **Team 2** Greenwald, D*, Dietzel, B Dykema, N Pennington, Peterson
October 15 Team 5 Reich*, D'Alessio, DiFrancis, Leskinen, Piquette, Ruchti, Talavera
October 22 Team 1 Dykema*, Burie, N Greenwald, Hammer