



Trinity Presbyterian Church

Gathering in the Name of the Triune God

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

October 1, 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 – October 1, 2017

Entrance – God Calls Us to Worship

Silent Preparation for Worship

Call to Worship

Psalm 118:19-24

* **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**

Psalter, #24C

The Earth and the Riches

Purification – We Confess Our Sins to God

Eternal God, in Whom we live and move and have our being, Whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and Whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts: Cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to You, confessing our faults, confiding in Your grace, and finding in You our refuge and strength, through Jesus Christ Your Son. Amen!

(Silent, personal confession of sin)

Lift up your heads, arise, and hear the good news from Psalm 32:5! Brothers and sisters, your sins are forgiven and your lives are rescued in our Lord Jesus Christ Who died for you, to pardon you, in order to accept you now as righteous in His sight and to receive you spotless before His glory on the last day. 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: 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**

Psalter, #25A
To Thee I Lift My Soul

*** Prayer**

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid, cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your glorious Name, 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

2 Kings 9:1-13

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

New Testament Lesson

Acts 26:24-32

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

*** Gospel Lesson**

John 7:16-20; 10:14-21

Pastor: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus.

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

Sermon

"Reactions to Paul's Apology to Agrippa"

Tribute – We Offer Ourselves through Tithes

*** Hymn of Consecration**

Psalter, #51E
From My Sins Hide Thou Thy Face

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

Prayers of the Church

Requests & Lord's Prayer

Peace – We Commune with God

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Luke 22:14-21

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

*** Hymn of Thanksgiving**

Psalter, #22 I
All Ends of Earth, Remembering Him

Benediction – God Commissions & Blesses Us

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

2 Timothy 4:1, 2

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

1 Timothy 4:22

*** 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 – October 1, 2017

"Reactions to Paul's Apology to Agrippa"

Text: Acts 26:24-32

1. Governor Festus thinks he never heard such mania and slights Paul as _____ (24-26).

2. King Agrippa thinks he never heard a more rational, _____ argument to become a Christian but instead puts on that he has seen through Paul's scheme & purpose (27-29).

3. All of them agree Paul is innocent & should be set free but _____ him that he was provoked to bar his own door by appealing to Caesar (30-32).

4. The Lord accepts Paul as righteous & considers Paul a _____ of Himself (23:11).

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 not meet today.

Life Chain

Today our congregation will participate in Life Chain from 2-3:30 pm. We will be at the same location as last year on the north sidewalk of Bluemound Rd, NW of Brookfield Square Mall. Deacon Reich will have the signs & instructions and will ask for \$1/person donation.

Fellowship Meal

Next Sunday we will have our Fellowship meal. Each family should bring a main dish to share (in equal portion to serve their family). In addition, Teams 1 & 2 bring a vegetable dish or salad & bread; Teams 3, 4 & 5 bring dessert. Team 2 will manage the kitchen and clean-up.

Women's Study

The women will meet October 9th at 6 pm for Lesson 3 of Sinclair Ferguson's video study called "Who Is the Holy Spirit?"

Westminster Shorter Catechism

This week's focus is WSC 37, "What benefits do believers receive from Christ at death?" Family Worship Helps are available on the back table and by email.

Scripture Memory for this Week

Philippians 1:21,23, *For to me, to live is Christ, and to die is gain...For I am hard-pressed between the two, having a desire to depart and be with Christ, which is far better.* (2 Cor 5:7-8 is also good)

Reformation Sunday

On October 31, 1517, Luther posted his 95 theses to dispute the efficacy of indulgences. We will celebrate this 500th anniversary of Christ's reforms of His church through Luther's life and works in the Lord's Service, Sunday School, and in a special evening on October 29th. Also possible Luther movie night at church on Saturday, October 28th or Tuesday, October 31st.

Set-up Teams Note the **order** change identified in **bold print**.

		Next Week
October 8	<u>Team 2</u>	Greenwald, D*, Dietzel, B Dykema, N Pennington, Peterson
		Following Weeks
October 15	<u>Team 5</u>	Reich*, D'Alessio, DiFrances, Leskinen, Piquette, Ruchti, Talavera
October 22	<u>Team 1</u>	Dykema*, Burie, N Greenwald, Hammer
October 29	<u>Team 2</u>	Greenwald, D*, Dietzel, B Dykema, N Pennington, Peterson
November 5	<u>Team 3</u>	J Hummel,* D Dykema, Nader, S Pennington, Seaman
November 12	<u>Team 4</u>	J Pennington,* Eternick, K Hummel, Jens, A Pennington, Sosnoski