



Trinity Presbyterian Church

Gathering in the Name of the Triune God

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

November 12, 2017



Christus Victor

The traditional monograms **IC** and **XC** are ancient Latin abbreviations for **Jesus** (*IHCOYC*, a Latinized form of his Greek name) and **Christ** (*XRICTOC*). **NIKA** means Victor or Conqueror. Jesus Christ was born to conquer sin, death, and the Devil. The cross in the center of the world reminds us that Jesus has conquered by means of his suffering, death, and resurrection. Jesus now reigns because he died for us.

Lord's Day Service – November 12, 2017

Entrance – God Calls Us to Worship

Silent Preparation for Worship

Call to Worship

Psalm 9:1-2, 14-16

* **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 eyes of all look expectantly to You,

People: And you give them their food in due season.

Pastor: You open Your hand

People: And satisfy the desire of every living thing. *Ps 145:15-16*

Pastor: The Lord be with you!

People: And also with you! *Ruth 2:4*

* **Hymn of Praise**

Psalter, #91A

Who with God Most High Finds Shelter

Old Testament Lesson

Numbers 21:4-9

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Purification – We Confess Our Sins to God

God of love, it is your will that we should love you with heart, soul, mind, strength, and our neighbor as ourselves, but we are not sufficient for these things. We confess that our affections continually turn away from you: from purity to lust, from freedom to slavery, from compassion to indifference, from fullness to emptiness. Have mercy on us. Order our lives by your holy Word, and make your commandments the joy of our hearts. Conform us to the image of your loving Son, Jesus, that we may shine before the world to your glory. Amen!

(Silent, personal confession of sin)

Arise, lift up your heads, and hear the good news! 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**

Trinity Hymnal, #422
As When the Hebrew Prophet Raised

* **Prayer**

O God, Whose blessed Son came into the world that He might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as He is pure; that, when He comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like Him in His eternal and glorious kingdom; where He lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen!

New Testament Lesson

Acts 28:1-10

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

* **Gospel Lesson**

Mark 16:14-20; John 3:13-21

Pastor: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus.

People: Praise to you, O Christ!

Sermon

"Snake-bit & Gospel Advance"

Tribute – We Offer Ourselves through Tithes

* **Hymn of Consecration**

Trinity Hymnal, #550
Jesus, Priceless Treasure

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

Prayers of the Church

Requests & Lord's Prayer

Peace – We Commune with God

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Matthew 26:26-30

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

* **Hymn of Thanksgiving**

Trinity Hymnal, #384
Lift up Your Heads, Ye Gates of Brass

Benediction – God Commissions & Blesses Us

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

Mark 16:15-16

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

Numbers 6:24-26

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

Doxology

* **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 – November 12, 2017

"Snake-bit & Gospel Advance"

Text: Acts 28:1-10

1. The barbarians of Melita kindly receive the 276 shipwrecked, distressed strangers (1-2)
 - A. Why are the islanders called *barbarians* & *who is my neighbor*?

 - B. *Unusual kindness* – a reminder that *faith without works is dead* (Jas 2:14-17)

2. Another snake story, Paul _____ viper, and rightly interpreting it (3-6)
 - A. Many facets of taking _____ as a Christian (3)

 - B. Some _____ that comes from natural light (4)

 - C. Some _____ of natural light & the need for divine revelation (5-6)

3. Hospitality shown by Publius, his father's healing & grateful barbarians (7-10)

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 a.m. for a lesson from the video series, "Is Genesis History?"

Fellowship Meal

Please join us downstairs for a Fellowship meal following the morning services.

Women's Activities

- Study: The women will meet tomorrow evening at 6 pm for Lesson 5 of Sinclair Ferguson's video study called "Who Is the Holy Spirit?"
- Christmas Party: The all-church women & children's Christmas celebration will be held on Thursday, December 7th, 6:30 pm at the church. Join us for an evening of caroling in the neighborhood, cookies, games and the Christmas story.

Consistory Meeting

A stated consistory meeting will be held this Tuesday evening. If you have a matter for the elders or deacons to consider, please contact one of them.

Westminster Shorter Catechism

This week's focus is WSC 43, "What is the preface to the ten commandments?" Family Worship Helps are available on the back table and by email.

Scripture Memory for this Week

Exodus 3:14, And God said to Moses, "I AM THAT I AM." And He said, "Thus you shall say to the children of Israel, I AM has sent me to you."

Set-up Teams

November 19 Team 5 Reich*, D'Alessio, DiFrances, Leskinen, Piquette, Ruchti, Talavera

Next Week

Following Weeks

November 26 Team 1 Dykema*, Burie, N Greenwald, Hammer
December 3 Team 2 Greenwald, D*, Dietzel, B Dykema, N Pennington, Peterson
December 10 Team 3 J Hummel,* D Dykema, Nader, S Pennington, Seaman
December 17 Team 4 J Pennington,* Eternick, K Hummel, Jens, A Pennington, Sosnoski