



March 25, 2018

Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday



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 25, 2018

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Preparation for Worship

Upon entering the sanctuary, please make sure electronic devices are off or in silent mode.

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!**

Welcome & Announcements

God Calls us into His presence; we respond with praise.

* Call to Worship

Zechariah 9:9
Psalm 118, Trinity Hymnal, p 652

* Greeting

Grace to you and peace, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen!

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

* Hymn of Praise

Trinity Hymnal, #173
All Glory, Laud and Honor

God Calls us to confess our sins; we respond with thanksgiving.

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Let us kneel before the Lord our God. *(Those unable to kneel may be seated.)*

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)*

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. Believe this and rejoice!

Thanks be to God! Our sins are forgiven in Jesus' name. AMEN!

Lift up your hearts!

We lift them up to the Lord!

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God!

It is proper and right to do so!

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; Who does command Your faithful people sanctify their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by Your Word and sacraments, we may come to the fullness of grace which You have prepared for those who love You. Therefore, with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, and with the church on earth, we praise and magnify Your glorious Name.

**God Calls us to be consecrated by his Word;
we respond by giving ourselves to Him.**

Hymn of Preparation See insert. (tune: Trinity Hymnal 15)
Circumcision and Baptism

Old Testament Lesson Joshua 5:1 – 6:2

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

New Testament Lesson Colossians 2:8-15

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

* *Gospel Lesson* Matthew 26:44-56; 27:45-66

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus.

Praise to You, O Christ!

Sermon "Celebrating the Sacraments;
Celebrating our Inheritance"

* *Hymn of Consecration* Trinity Hymnal, #365
At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing

* *Dedication of Tithes & Offerings*

Prayers of the Church Requests & Lord's Prayer

God Calls us to commune with Him at his Table; we respond with joy.

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper Matthew 26:17-30

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

**God Calls us to go out into the world and serve as faithful
ambassadors of His kingdom; we respond with doxology.**

* *The Lord's Commission of Us* 1 Corinthians 5:7, 8

* *We Receive God's Blessing, His Good Word to Us* 2 Corinthians 13:14

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

* *Threefold Amen*

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 – March 25, 2018

"Celebrating the Sacraments; Celebrating our Inheritance"

Text: Joshua 5:1 – 6:1

1. Administering the covenant sign of _____ and membership into God's family – circumcision/ baptism (5:1-9)
 - A. The Amorites and Canaanites hear of the Yahweh's works but remain _____ (1)
 - B. The _____ Israel that did not listen to Yahweh or believe His works (2-6; Ge 17:14)
 - C. The _____ Israel that did listen to Yahweh and believe His works (5b, 6b-9)
2. Partaking of the covenant meal of _____ for God's family – Passover/Lord's Supper (5:10-12; Le 13:10-11)
 - Israel's extraordinary need and God's unusual supply; our normal need and God's ordinary means
3. Appearance of the covenant _____ of God's family – worship then conquest (5:13--6:1; Ge 17:1; Ex 3:2)
 - A. _____ Joshua asks, *Are You for us or for our adversaries?*
 - B. _____ Joshua asks, *What does my Lord say to His servant?*

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. Downstairs we 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

Meet in the sanctuary at 11:30 am to watch a portion of the video "Patterns of Evidence – Exodus." We will watch the section on the archaeological discoveries of Jericho and how they fit the conquest account in Joshua.

Prayer Meeting

The Petersons will be hosting this Wednesday's prayer meeting at 7 pm. A signup sheet to host future prayer meetings is available downstairs.

Easter Sunday

Next Sunday we will start with a breakfast fellowship meal at 8 am. (A signup sheet for food and attendance is available downstairs.) Lord's Service will begin at 9:30. We will not have Sunday School, and the set-up team will not need to bring snacks for break.

Women's Study

Women's study will meet Thursday, April 12th at 6:30 pm. Lesson 12 of the video series "Who Is the Holy Spirit" will be viewed and discussed.

Westminster Shorter Catechism

This week's focus is WSC 66, "What is the reason annexed to the fifth commandment?" Family Worship Helps are available on the back table and by email.

Scripture Memory for this Week

Ephesians 6:1-3, Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. "*Honor your father and mother,*" which is the first commandment with promise: "*that it may be well with you and you may live long on the earth.*"

Set-up Teams

Next Week

April 1	<u>Team 4</u>	J Pennington, * Eternick, K Hummel, Jens, A Pennington, Sosnoski
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Following Weeks

April 8	<u>Team 5</u>	Reich*, D'Alessio, DiFrances, Leskinen, Piquette, Ruchti, Talavera
April 15	<u>Team 1</u>	Dykema*, Burie, N Greenwald, Hammer
April 22	<u>Team 2</u>	Greenwald, D*, Dietzel, B Dykema, N Pennington, Peterson
April 29	<u>Team 3</u>	J Hummel, * D Dykema, Nader, S Pennington, Seaman