



TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

GROWING TOGETHER. WELCOMING ALL.

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SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER MAY 12, 2024

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven
John A. Behnke

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: O Lord, open our lips,
Many: and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.
One: God's unfailing love and mercy still continue,
Many: fresh as the morning and sure as the sunrise.
One: God is all we have -
Many: in God we put our hope.
All: Let us worship our God!

† GATHERING HYMN

Glory to God Hymnal, No. 41

[O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!](#)

LYONS

WE OPEN UP TO GOD

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Lord, through your Spirit we stand in the assurance of your acceptance. Forgive us when we are shackled by our narrow understandings of discipleship and our clouded sense of purpose. Through your Spirit we are drawn into the illumination of your empowering love. Forgive us when we are frightened of the future or pull back from the demand of your calling. Forgive us when we fail to sense your presence in our past, to acknowledge your grace in the present moment, and to trust you for our future. We seek renewed and renewing faith. Forgive us for those times when we do not. AMEN.

TIME FOR PERSONAL PRAYER

KYRIE ELEISON

Lord, have mercy upon us;
Christ, have mercy upon us;
Lord, have mercy upon us.

‡ **WORDS OF FORGIVENESS**

One: In mercy and grace, our hearts, our spirits are made new.

Many: May our lives reflect this transformation,
may our whole selves live into this truth:

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

‡ **THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you –
And also with you!

‡ **GLORIA PATRI**

Glory to God Hymnal, No. 582

[Glory to God](#)
GLORY TO GOD

GOD SPEAKS TO US

MORNING WATCH

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Exodus 16: 2-15

ANTHEM

Kyrie eleison from *Messe de minuit pour Noel*
Marc Antoine Charpentier (1643-1701)
CC Cooper, Jim Glenn and Zach Hugo, soloists

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 20: 1-16

SERMON

When Grace Doesn't Feel Graceful
Rev. Dr. Steve Lindsley

WE RESPOND WITH FAITH & COMMITMENT

‡ **HYMN OF RESPONSE**

Glory to God Hymnal, No. 805

[Come Sing to God](#)
ELLACOMBE

ORDER OF CONFIRMATION

Eliza Katherine (Eliza) Sistrunk, Charles Brannon (Brannon) Tappy, Margaret Elizabeth (Izzy) Tappy

2024 CONFIRMAND CORPORATE STATEMENT OF FAITH

We believe that God created us and watches over us all. We see God in the beauty of the sun setting, the brilliant colors of the flowers, and the uniqueness of each individual we know.

We believe in Jesus, the son of God and our savior. Jesus lived to show us the power of God. He taught us how to be kind to others, no matter their background, ethnicity, religion, rumors, and appearance.

We believe that the Holy Spirit is the spirit of God in our everyday lives. It is that part of God that helps us understand that we are watched and supported by God every day. The Holy Spirit is within us all.

We believe that sin goes against God's teachings. Our sins show us that we cannot be perfect. Praying for forgiveness helps us reflect on what we have done and grow as Christians.

We believe that the Church is more than a building. The Church helps bring all Christians together to celebrate the acts of God and help us navigate life. It is a place of community where you can rely on others to support you.

We believe that being a follower of Christ means continuing on our journey with the help of amazing and supportive people who help us learn new things about our faith. Every day, we will try to grow in our connection with God.

A MOMENT FOR OFFERING AND MEDITATION

To make an offering by text, text TPCGIVE to 73256.

For online offering click [HERE](#) or scan QR code to the right.



OFFERTORY

† [DOXOLOGY](#)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

† **PRAYER FOR OFFERING**

WE GO FORTH TO WITNESS & SERVE

† **SENDING HYMN**

Glory to God, Hymnal No. 69

[I, the Lord of Sea and Sky \(Here I Am, Lord\) \(Schutte\)](#)

HERE I AM

† **BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

Agnus Dei from *Messe de minuit pour Noel*
Marc Antoine Charpentier (1643-1701)

Lamb of God, have mercy on us.

† *All who are able are invited to stand.*

WORSHIP LEADERS: Rev. Dr. Steve Lindsley, preacher; Rev. Rebecca Heilman-Campbell, liturgist; Dr. Justin Smith, Director of Music and Cultural Events; Angela Swicegood, guest organist; and the Trinity Choir.

WELCOME TO TRINITY

You are welcome and there is a place for you here at Trinity! We strive to be an open and inclusive community, acknowledging and embracing the rich diversity of God's creation so we embody our calling to, "grow together and welcome all." We love having children, and their wiggles, worship with us at Trinity. If you choose, childcare is provided for ages four and under. We are happy your family is here! Whatever in your life brought you to worship with us today, you are welcome, and we hope you feel at home.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE - Sunday School classes and Children's Choir will meet on May 19. Children's Choir meets in the Heritage Room during Worship.

NURSERY SCHEDULE – The Nursery is open every Sunday, from 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. unless there is no Sunday School and then it will open at 10:30 a.m. Our nursery care providers are Angela Drugan and Sarah Emily Click.

TRINITY NEIGHBORHOOD JAM, TONIGHT - All instrumentalists and singers are invited to join Trinity Neighborhood Jam which meets the 2nd Sunday of every month at 7:00 p.m., in the Parlor. The next session is tonight. Contact Eric Banks at 704 578-0742 or bankser@gmail.com, Gary Sugg at 704 577-2103 or grsugg@aol.com, Neal Pickett at 704 904-7747 or nealpickett@carolina.rr.com.

MEN'S BREAKFAST, MAY 13 – Monday, May 13 will be the last Men's Breakfast until September. We meet at 8:30 a.m. in the Youth Center. World renown chef, Peter Devlin, will prepare a great meal for us. Come early to participate in free-flowing discussions on many topics. Following the meal there will be a reading and more discussion. Come.

MUSIC OF THE FRENCH BAROQUE, MAY 18 - The majesty of pre-revolutionary France - the Palace of Versailles and the opulence of the Sun King - was the Age of Absolutism, with France at the height of its military power and artistic influence. The music of the age comes alive in this splendid musical offering. North Carolina's renowned early music orchestra collaborates with Queens' internationally award-winning choir in a program of French masterworks. Scan QR code under Offering for more information and to purchase tickets.

CONGREGATIONAL PICNIC, MAY 19 - We will celebrate the end of the church program year with Atomic Dog Food Truck and Kona Ice at the YOUTH CENTER! There will be games and activities for families and children. Hope to see you there!

M&Ms REBRANDING, MAY 23 - Millennials & More group is moving to an "Adults Only" format and will meet quarterly. Future events will include "Theology on Tap" as well as dinners, sports, outings. etc. Join us for our first 2024 event at Legion Southpark, Thursday, May 23, 5:30 – 8:00 p.m. RSVP to Gary Sugg, Jr. (grsugg@gmail.com or 704-578-0280) so we can reserve ample space.

RECURRING GIVING TESTAMONIAL - *As Leviticus 27:30 states, "All tithes from the land... are the Lord's; they are holy to the Lord." To me, recurring giving is the easiest way to fulfil our commitments to tithe. Recurring giving allows me to make sure my gifts to the church get automatic priority in my personal life before any other financial commitments; it is an easy way to give without any need to remind myself each week.* Will Reid

CONGREGATIONAL SYMPATHY - Congregational Sympathy is extended to Peggy Morris and family on the death of her brother, Harold Lewis, on May 6.