



# TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY    FEBRUARY 16, 2025

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### INTROIT

Voluntary in G  
Henry Purcell (1659-1695)

### WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

#### †CALL TO WORSHIP

- One:     Blessed are those who trust God, whose trust is the Lord.  
All:     They are like trees planted by water, sending out roots by the stream.  
One:     They have no fear of summer's heat, nor do they wither in the sun.  
All:     In the year of drought they are not anxious, for their lives bear the  
          fruit of righteousness.  
One:     Come to the waters of life all you who trust in the Lord.  
All:     We have come to worship and to send forth our roots into streams  
          of God's living water!

#### †GATHERING HYMN

*Glory to God Hymnal, No. 402*

[How Lovely, Lord](#)

MERLE'S TUNE

### CALL TO CONFESSION

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of Love, we confess that we often seek our own comfort and security above the needs of others, failing to truly love our enemies and bless those who curse us. We have been tempted to rejoice when others stumble and to turn away from those in need. Forgive us for our pride, our self-centeredness, and our lack of compassion. Open our hearts to see the world through your eyes, to embrace the poor and the hurting, and to live as true disciples of Jesus, who taught us to love our neighbors as ourselves. Amen.

### A TIME FOR PERSONAL PRAYER

#### KYRIE ELEISON

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

#### †WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

Hear and believe, God promises forgiveness to those who ask. Because of who God is we are new creations, fully known and fully forgiven. Amen.

‡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 (Vasile)

GOD SPEAKS TO US

MORNING WATCH

INSTALLATION OF AN ELDER

Elder for the Class of 2027: Brenda (Cookie) Parnell

Statement of Installation

Constitutional Questions to Candidate and Congregation

Prayer of Installation

Welcome and Charge

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 6: 17-26

ANTHEM

Thy word is a lantern, Z. 61

Henry Purcell

CC Cooper, Jim Glenn, and Zach Hugo, soloist

Thy word is a lantern unto my feet: and a light unto my paths. I have sworn and am steadfastly purposed: to keep thy righteous judgments. I am troubled above measure: quicken me, O Lord, according to they word. The ungodly have laid a snare for me: But yet I swerved not from Thy commandments. Thy testimonies have I claimed as mine heritage forever: and why? They are the very joy of my heart. Hallelujah. (Psalm 119: 105-108, 110-111)

SERMON

Rev. Erika Funke

WE RESPOND WITH FAITH & COMMITMENT

‡HYMN OF RESPONSE

*Glory to God Hymnal, No.472*

[Kum ba Yah](#)

KUM BA YAH

‡AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostle's Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be they name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

## 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!

### †PRAYER FOR OFFERING

WE GO FORTH TO WITNESS & SERVE

### †SENDING HYMN

*Glory to God Hymnal, No. 541*

[God Be with You Till We Meet Again](#)

RANDOLPH

## BENEDICTION

## POSTLUDE

Thy word is a lantern (Final Alleluia)  
Henry Purcell

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

**WORSHIP LEADERS:** Rev. Erika Funke, preacher; Rev. Rebecca Heilman-Campbell, liturgist; Dr. Justin Smith, Director of Music and Cultural Events; Shayne Doty, organist; and the Trinity choir.

*For those in need of hearing assistance, our Sanctuary is equipped with a “loop system” that broadcasts the audio into your hearing aids using t-coil technology. Alternately, headphones can be accessed in the Narthex.*

**MUSIC NOTES:** For Justin's Music Notes, scan the QR code under Offering.

## 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

**NURSERY SCHEDULE** - The Nursery, staffed by Angela Drugan and Sarah Emily Click, is open every Sunday from 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. (or 10:30 a.m. if Sunday School is not held).

**CHILDREN AND ADULT SUNDAY SCHEDULE** – Sunday School will be held on February 23, at 9:45 a.m. Our Adult Education class will be hosted by Trinity's Racial Equity Council as we look at the documentary, *Colorblind: Rethinking Race*. Each week we will watch a section of the documentary with a discussion to follow.

**CHILDREN'S CHOIR** - The Children's Choir, for ages 4 year olds through 5<sup>th</sup> grade, meets Sundays, during Worship, from 11:15 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., below the Sanctuary. The choir does not meet on Sundays without Sunday School. To participate, have your child join Maddy Hardy after Morning Watch during Worship.

**FAMILY FUN NIGHT** – Join other families on Friday, February 21, at 6:00 p.m., in the Youth Center for a casual evening of fellowship, fun and pizza. It's \$5 per person for pizza. Please RSVP, to [Anne McGovern](#). Hope to see you there.

**CHILD-FRIENDLY IMMERSIVE HOMELESSNESS EVENT** – Supportive Housing Communities is hosting a Warm Soles Night Walk, at Queens University, on Saturday, February 22, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Along a one mile walk, there will be booths to learn about the challenges of homelessness. A Trinity group is going and if you are interested, please email [Rebecca](#).

**GILCHRIST SUNDAY** – We are excited to welcome Anna Dickson, Pastor for Congregational Care at First Presbyterian Church, as our guest speaker for Gilchrist Sunday, March 9. The topic will be *Mental Health and Faith*. This event is named for Pat and Katie Gilchrist, two of Trinity's charter members, and endowed from funds given in their honor by their family, including Pressly and Nancy Gilchrist Millen.

**TRINITY CONCERT SERIES!** –Trinity will host a Sensory Friendly Concert, on Sunday, March 16, at 3:00 p.m., given by the Music Therapy faculty and students of Queens University. Scan the QR Code under Offering for more information.

**ACTING HEAD OF STAFF** – The Session is pleased to announce the Rev. Rebecca Heilman-Campbell will be serving as Acting Head of Staff and Session Moderator until a Transitional Pastor is hired, so if there is anything you would typically direct to the Senior Pastor's attention, please feel free to contact her. And, of course, the Session is ultimately in charge of all things Trinity, so you may always direct inquiries to Session through our Clerk, Reta Phifer.