

August 11, 2024



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Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

10:30 a.m.

Sunday, August 11, 2024

Welcome and Announcements

*Passing the Peace of Christ

Greet one another with the Peace of Christ

“The Peace of Christ be with you.”

“And also with you.”

Preparation for Worship

Howard Thurman (1900-1981)

Lord, open unto me.

Open unto me — light for my darkness.

Open unto me — courage for my fear.

Open unto me — hope for my despair.

Open unto me — peace for my turmoil.

Open unto me — joy for my sorrow.

Open unto me — strength for my weakness.

Open unto me — wisdom for my confusion.

Open unto me — forgiveness for my sins.

Open unto me — love for my hates.

Open unto me — Thy Self for my self.

Lord, Lord, open unto me! Amen.

Prelude

Here in This Place

Marty Haugen

Call to Worship

One: O come, let us sing unto the Lord;

All: **let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.**

One: Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving,

All: **and show ourselves glad in Him with psalms.**

*Hymn of Praise #482

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

Call to Confession

One: God's love has been poured into our hearts through the gift of the Holy Spirit. The proof of God's amazing love is this: while we were sinners, Christ died for us. Because we have faith in Him, we dare to approach God in confidence. Confident in God's grace, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

Prayer of Confession

All: Holy God, we ask for Your help, Your power, Your Spirit, so that we can amend our lives and grow more each day into the image of Christ. We confess that we fear what is different. We confess that it's easier to lock the doors of our community than to receive those who don't look like we look, love like we love, or vote the way we vote. We confess that we have not lived out Your call to share in abundant life and unconditional love. We believe that You have the power to turn us around to a more inclusive way of living, so we ask You to do that. We ask You to give us the courage to change. We ask that You give us the energy, intelligence, imagination, and love to be Your people in all we say and do. Amen.

Take time to offer silent prayers of confession.

Assurance of Forgiveness

One: Hear, receive, and trust the good news!

All: Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us.

One: Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation.

All: The old life has gone; a new life has begun.

*Gloria #576

Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo.

Gloria, gloria, alleluia, alleluia.

Time with Children

Anthem*Make Me a Channel of Your Peace*

Sebastian Temple

Make me a channel of Your peace,
Where there is hatred, let me bring Your love,
Where there is injury, Your pardon, Lord,
And where there's doubt, true faith in You.

Make me a channel of Your peace,
Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope.
Where there is darkness, only light,
And where there's sadness, ever joy.

Oh, Master, grant that I may ever seek
So much to be consoled as to console;
To be understood as to understand,
To be loved as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of Your peace,
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
It is in giving that we receive,
And in dying that we are born to eternal life.

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Prayer for Illumination

**All: Ready us, gracious God, to be attentive to Your Word.
Come, Holy Spirit, in a way that only You can. Open up
those spaces and places in our hearts and minds to receive
and live Your Word.**

May the words of my mouth and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable to You, our Strength and Redeemer. For it is for the sake of the Savior, we pray. Amen.

Scripture Reading

Numbers 6:22-27

The Lord said to Moses, "Tell Aaron and his sons, 'This is how you are to bless the Israelites. Say to them: The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn His face toward you and give you peace.' So they will put My name on the Israelites, and I will bless them."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

And What Then, and For What?

Rev. Neal Presa

***Hymn of Praise**

F. Crosby

Praise Him, Praise Him, Jesus our Blessed Redeemer

Prayers of the People

*After each petition please say, "God of Life and Hope"
and all respond, "Hear our Prayer."*

Lord's Prayer

All: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy 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, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Call to Offering

Offertory

Down at the Cross

Vickie Hancock Wright

***Doxology #591**

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 of Dedication**

All: We long for the time when the meek shall inherit the earth and all who hunger and thirst after justice shall be satisfied, and we believe that, despite the persistence of evil, now is always the time when more good can be done and we can make a difference. May it be so, through the offering of these gifts and the offering of our lives. Amen.

***Closing Hymn #339**

Be Thou My Vision

***Blessing**

***Postlude**

The Lord Bless You and Keep You

Peter Lutkin

**We invite all to stand in body or in spirit.*

THANK YOU

Guest Pastor: Rev. Neal Presa
Music Director: Nicki Kerns
Lector: Larry Vilaro
Greeters: Dan and Vickie Rutan
Head Usher: Pete Halper
Coffee: Barbara Christie
Flowers: Karen Wichelmann

Please continue to remember these people and situations in your prayers.

- Scott Whistler: gratitude that he is responding very well to stem cell replacement surgery.
- Richard Robinson's daughter, Christina: anticipating a safe delivery of a baby girl and Richard's first grandchild.
- Patti and Jeff Lawton: both have health issues.
- Rosie Bell: happy to be home safely from a dance workshop.
- Richard Robinson and Patty: traveling mercies while in Ecuador for a dental mission.
- Kim Johnston's family: dealing with a Covid outbreak while traveling.

We Welcome Rev. Neal D. Presa

The Rev. Neal D. Presa, Ph.D., is the Executive Presbyter of the Presbytery of San Jose. He is also an Affiliate Associate Professor of Preaching at Fuller Theological Seminary and a Fellow of the Center for Pastor Theologians. He previously served as a seminary vice president and was a local church pastor in New Jersey and southern California for two decades. He was the Moderator of the 220th General Assembly (2012-14) of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). He represents the PC(USA) on the World Council of Churches Central Committee and Executive Committee, where he leads the finance committee. He is the author/editor of nine books, including the forthcoming *Worship, Justice, and Joy: A Liturgical Pilgrimage*, and over 100 essays, chapters, and book reviews. He and his wife, Grace, and their puppy, Calvin, recently moved from southern California to Morgan Hill. Their two sons, Daniel and Andrew, both Eagle Scouts, are in college in Davidson, North Carolina, and Los Angeles.

Trinity Presbyterian Church Supports

Presbyterian Missionaries in Congo: Jeffery and Christi Boyd
on the Mexico/US border: Craft Giron and Mark Adams and Miriam Maldonado Escobar
The Covenant Network of Presbyterians ♦ Faith Community Shelter
Wings ♦ Rebele Family Shelter ♦ Habitat For Humanity ♦ Friends Outside
Immanuel House ♦ Presbyterian Church, U.S.A. General Mission ♦ Sweet Pea Project
Alcoholics Anonymous ♦ Santa Cruz al Salvador
Court Appointed Special Advocates 18 ♦ Urban Works
Boy Scout Troop #618 ♦ Cub Scout Troop #618

Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.

Church Office Hours: Tuesday -Thursday 10:00a.m. - 2:00p.m.

Choir Practice: Sunday, 9:00a.m.

Trinity Church Officers

Session

Ellen Bauerle, Clerk of Session

Class of 2024	Class of 2025	Class of 2026
Kathy Willott	Michael Christie	George Bunch
Charlie May	Debbie Bates	Ed Sams
Chad Bell		

Deacons

Class of 2024	Class of 2025	Class of 2026
Gwen May	Jolynn Carrington-Khoury	Pete Halper
Lorraine Vilardo	Elizabeth Bunch	Kim Johnston
Karen Wichelmann	Vickie Rutan	Nancy Cobery

Trinity Staff

Bridge Pastor: **Larry Vilardo**
Music Director: **Nicki Kerns**
Office Manager: **Cailan Darling**
Custodian: **Hortencia Martinez**

Announcements

Welcome to Trinity Presbyterian Church!

We look forward to getting to know you better. Please fill out a visitor welcome card found in the pew pockets in front of you. After worship, please join us for coffee, tea, and juice in the Magnolia Courtyard. We are glad you are here!

Online Church Service

Experience our live services or explore past ones on YouTube. If you want edited sermons complete with dates, sermon titles, bulletin covers, and volume enhancements, check out our Vimeo website. Both platforms can be accessed through our website: <https://www.trinitypressc.org>

2024 Church Directory

Our Church Directory is available. If you'd like a copy, please talk to Dan and Vickie Rutan.

Third Thursday Happy Hour, August 15th

Don't miss our Third Thursday Happy Hour at 5 PM! We will meet at Santa Cruz Kitchen and Taps on 145 Laurel Street in Santa Cruz for fellowship and conversation. With this mild weather and long days you won't want to miss this opportunity for great food and fellowship.

Pastor Nominating Committee Report, August 25th

It is with great joy that the Pastor Nominating Committee of Trinity puts forward the name of Reverend Diane Ford with the recommendation that she be called as Trinity's pastor. Diane has spent much of her life in Sacramento, where she worked as a professional musician in academic, community, and church settings. This included eight years on staff as the Director of Music and Arts Ministries at Westminster Presbyterian Church, Sacramento. She attended Union Theological Seminary in New York City, earning an MDiv with a concentration in Old Testament and another MDiv in Historical Jesus and Christology. Following seminary, she served as the pastor of Grace Presbyterian Church in Sacramento. She has spent the past nine years as pastor of Lincroft Presbyterian

Church in New Jersey. Reverend Ford has a rich background in worship arts and a passion for social justice and the ongoing witness of Christ's church in our world. There are several pieces of business that need to be completed before we take these final steps in calling a new pastor.

Trinity's Session has approved the terms of call set up for Diane by our administration committee. That document (Terms of Call) will be sent to the Presbytery's Committee on Ministry on August 12. Diane will be in Santa Cruz to meet the congregation for a candidating weekend on August 24-25. She will lead worship on August 25.

Session has called a congregational meeting for all members immediately after church on August 25. The service will be streamed. For those members unable to join us in person, a Zoom link will be available. Join us as we welcome Diane!

Service Worship Sunday, September 8th

The Trinity Outreach and Worship Committees are planning the annual Service Worship Sunday for September 8th at 10:30 AM. As before, we will invite neighbors and friends to join us in a unique form of worship by participating in various church and community service projects. After a short worship gathering at Trinity, where we hope to introduce our new Pastor, Diane Ford, we will then divide into groups for projects such as writing encouraging greeting cards, cleaning the shower trailer, neighborhood trash clean-up, and singing songs of cheer. We will all then gather on the Trinity lawn for tacos and fellowship

Trinity Retreat: Saturday-Sunday, October 12-13

The retreat will start with Saturday breakfast (\$10 optional) and end with Sunday lunch (\$12 optional). To meet our guarantee, we encourage everyone, if possible, to stay overnight on Saturday. The rates are \$129 per person for double occupancy and \$140 for single occupancy, which includes 3 meals. For an additional \$25 per person, you can also stay Friday night and optionally add Friday supper for \$14 and Saturday breakfast for \$10.

If you do not stay overnight, there is a \$25 day-use fee plus the cost of meals.

To reserve your room and meals, please sign up with George at geobunch@gmail.com or Cailan at trinitysc@sbcglobal.net.

MORNING AND OPENING HYMNS

482 Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

LOBE DEN HERREN 14.14.4.7.8

Joachim Neander, 1680
Trans. Catherine Winkworth, 1863; alt.

Stralsund *Ernewerten Gesangbuch*, 1665
Harm. *The Chorale Book for England*, 1863
Desc. Craig Sellar Lang, 1953

Descant

3. Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me a -

dore Him! All that hath life and breath, come now with
a - tion! O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy
reign - eth, Shel - ters thee un - der His wings, yea, so
dore Him! All that hath life and breath, come now with

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Be Thou My Vision

SLANE 10.10.9.10

Ancient Irish poem

Trans. Mary E. Byrne, 1905

Vers. Eleanor Hull, 1912; alt.

Irish ballad

Harm. David Evans, 1927

1. Be Thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
 2. Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise,
 3. Be Thou my wis - dom, and Thou my true word;

Nought be all else to me, save that Thou art—
 Thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways;
 I ev - er with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;

Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
 Thou and Thou on - ly, first in my heart,
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,

Wak - ing or sleep - ing, Thy pres - ence my light.
Great God of heav - en, my trea - sure Thou art.
Still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

The musical score consists of a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The vocal line is written in a single staff with a treble clef and a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The piano accompaniment is written in two staves, with the right hand in a treble clef and the left hand in a bass clef, both sharing the two-flat key signature. The music is in a 4/4 time signature and spans eight measures. The lyrics are aligned with the vocal line.