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Reformation Sunday

10:30 a.m.

Sunday, October 27, 2024

Prelude and Processional

Quiet Prelude #1

Gilbert M. Martin

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

Today we acknowledge the Protestant Reformation, which started in 1517 CE. We will hear about another time of reforming, centering on a church document written during institutionalized racial segregation in South Africa. Jesus calls us out of the trap of structural racism, into marvelous, full-spectrum light.

Introit

Surely the Presence

Call to Worship

One: Come, eternal God, come where we are gathered to celebrate reconciliation: yours with us, and ours with each other.

All: Your life-giving Word and Spirit have conquered the powers of sin and death, which try to separate us from you. They have also conquered the powers of hatred, hostility, and bitterness, which try to separate your people from each other.

One: You have called us to be peacemakers: blessed to be a blessing to many others.

All: Even as we bring our sacrifice of praise to you, help us to bring the skills of humble listening, truth-telling, peacemaking, and reconciliation to our neighbors.

***PH Hymn of Praise #259 (To the tune of #260)**

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God (Lyrics Page 8)

Call to Confession

One: As disciples of Jesus, we not only demonstrate and spread the reconciling message of Christ: we also speak up when that message has been watered down or twisted into lies. Living in a world of greed, lies, and ill-intent, let us come before God to examine our actions on behalf of the Gospel Jesus proclaimed.

Take time to offer silent prayers of confession.

Prayer of Confession

One: Dear Savior, you have called each person by name,

All: and yet we have engaged in name-calling. Forgive us.

One: Lord, you invite us to be one with you and your Father forever,

All: yet we judge others as unworthy of our company, even for an afternoon. Forgive us.

One: When we hear your name used to promote hate and division,

All: we shake our heads, and walk away. Forgive us, and help us be ambassadors of your peace and reconciliation.

Assurance of Forgiveness

One: If you would remember our failing, O Lord, who could stand? But with you there is forgiveness so that we can follow you.

All: Hear the Good News: in the Name of Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

***Gloria #579**

***Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.***

Time with Children

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 and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Anthem *Laudate Dominum* Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

Laudate Dominum omnes gentes. Laudate eum, omnes populi

Quoniam confirmata est. Super nos misericordia eius

Et veritas, veritas Domini manet, manet in aeternum.

Gloria Patri et Filio et Spiritui Sancto

Gloria Patri et Filio et Spiritui Sancto. Sicut erat in principio

Et nunc, et semper. Et in saecula saeculorum, Amen.

Prayer for Illumination

All: God of beauty and mystery, as we hear the ancient words read and a new sermon proclaimed, we open our hearts, minds, and imaginations to your Holy Spirit. What word do you have for us? Amen.

Scripture Readings

Amos 5:23-24 The Prophet Amos brought God's message to the religious people, saying, "Take away from me the noise of your songs; I will not listen to the melody of your harps. But let justice roll down like water and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

Ephesians 4:1-6, 11-12 As a prisoner for the Lord, then, I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received. Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to one hope when you were called; one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

Colossians 3:15 Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts.

Luke 4:16-19 Jesus went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him. Unrolling it, he found the place where it is written: "The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Always Reforming

Rev. Diane Ford

***GTG Hymn #530**

One Bread, One Body

Call to Offering

Offertory Soliloquy on "*What Wondrous Love Is This*"
Grimoaldo Macchia

***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**

Adapted from the Confession of Belhar

All: As we dedicate our lives and resources to you, hear us profess our faith and commitment: We believe that the church must witness against and strive against any form of injustice, so that justice may roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream. We believe that the church as the possession of God must stand where the Lord stands, namely against injustice and with the wronged.

We believe that in following Christ the church must witness against all the powerful and privileged who selfishly seek their own interest and thus control and harm others.

***Closing Hymn GTG #100 vs. 1, 2, and 4**

My Soul Cries Out with a Joyful Shout

***Blessing**

***Amen**

***Postlude**

Psalm 19

Benedetto Marcello

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

*PH - Presbyterian Hymnal; GH - Gather Hymnal;
GTG - Glory to God Hymnal*

THANK YOU

Pastor: Rev. Diane Ford
Music Director: Nicki Kerns
Lector: Michael Christie
Head Usher: Pete Halper
Greeter: Sejin Oh
Coffee: Dan and Vicky Rutan
Flowers: Mary Ann Hobbs

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 the Potluck in the Fellowship Hall. 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>

AFC Dinners, Every 2nd & 3rd Wednesdays

Looking to contribute to your community through cooking or small donations? Contact Debbie Bates at debates44@aol.com to see what can be provided.

Church Potluck, Today

This afternoon, following worship, we are holding a Farewell Potluck for our dear friends Charlie and Gwen May. The event will take place in the Fellowship Hall, and drinks will be provided.

Celebrate All Saints' Day at Trinity, Nov. 3

During worship on Nov. 3, we will remember and honor those who have died in 2024 and earlier. All will be invited to call out names while flowers are placed in a vase. For some in our midst, the upcoming holiday season may be difficult because of the loss of a loved one. As a Christian community, let us strengthen one another, acknowledging the present grief and affirming our faith in Christ, the resurrection and the life.

Pastor Diane's Installation, January 5th

As mentioned in previous newsletters and bulletins, plans are underway for the installation service of Pastor Diane Ford. While the original date was in October, we have decided that January 5th will provide ample time for planning and preparation. Stay tuned for more updates!

Lyrics to Hymn 259:

A mighty fortress is our God,
A bulwark never failing;
Protecting us with staff and rod,
and power all prevailing.
What if the nations rage,
And surging seas rampage;
What though the mountains fall,
The Lord is God of all;
The Lord of hosts is with us.

The waters of God's goodness flow,
Throughout the holy city.
And gladden hearts of those who know,
God's tenderness and pity.
Though nations stand unsure,
God's kingdom shall endure;
God's power shall remain,
And peace shall ever reign.
The Lord of hosts is with us.

Behold what wondrous deeds of peace,
God does for our salvation;
God knows our wars and makes them cease
In every land and nation.
The warrior's spear and lance
Are splintered by God's glance;
The guns and nuclear might,
Stand withered in God's sight;
The Lord of hosts is with us.

530 One Bread, One Body

Refrain



One bread, one bod-y, one Lord of



all, one cup of bless - ing which we bless.



And we, though man-y, through-out the



earth, we are one bod - y in this one Lord.



1 Gen - tile or Jew, ser - vant or

2 Man - y the gifts, man - y the

3 Grain for the fields, scat-tered and



free, wom - an or man, no more.

works, one in the Lord of all.

grown, gath-ered to one, for all.

This Lord's Supper text is based on various Scriptures (1 Corinthians 10:16–17, Galatians 3:28, and 1 Corinthians 12:1–31) as well as imagery from the *Didache*, a significant Christian document from the early 2nd century, about scattered grain united in the eucharistic bread.

100 My Soul Cries Out with a Joyful Shout

Canticle of the Turning



1 My soul cries out with a joy - ful shout that the
2 Though I am small, my God, my all, you
3 From the halls of power to the for - tress tower, not a
4 Though the na - tions rage from age to age, we re -



God of my heart is great, and my spir - it sings of the
work great things in me, and your mer - cy will last from the
stone will be left on stone. Let the king be - ware for your
mem - ber who holds us fast: God's mer - cy must de -



won - drous things that you bring to the ones who wait.
depths of the past to the end of the age to be.
jus - tice tears ev - ery ty - rant from his throne.
liv - er us from the con - quer - or's crush - ing grasp.



You fixed your sight on your ser - vant's plight, and my
Your ver - y name puts the proud to shame, and to
The hun - gry poor shall weep no more, for the
This sav - ing word that our fore - bears heard is the



weak - ness you did not spurn, so from east to west shall my
those who would for you yearn, you will show your might, put the
food they can nev - er earn; there are ta - bles spread; ev - ery
prom - ise which holds us bound, till the spear and rod can be

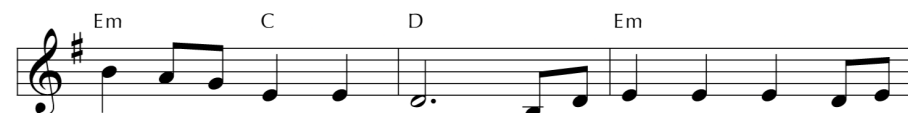


name be blest. Could the world be a - bout to turn?
strong to flight, for the world is a - bout to turn.
mouth be fed, for the world is a - bout to turn.
crushed by God, who is turn - ing the world a - round.

Refrain



My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the



fires of your jus - tice burn. Wipe a - way all tears, for the



dawn draws near, and the world is a - bout to turn.