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# Welcome and Announcements \*Passing the Peace of Christ

*Little Prelude in F Major* 

Greet one another with the Peace of Christ The Peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

## **Preparation for Worship**

**Prelude and Processional** 

Take my love: my Lord, I pour At Thy feet its treasure store Take myself, and I will be Ever, only, all for Thee.

## Introit

Bless the Lord, O My Soul

arr. David Winkler

## **Call to Worship**

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!

**Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!** Know that Yahweh is God!

It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Give thanks to God; bless his name! For the Lord is good;

His steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations!

\*Hymn of Praise, GTG #702 (Page 8)

## **Call to Confession**

A call to confession is always a call to experience the grace of God. It is an invitation to wholeness within and reconciliation with what is and what shall be. Let us bring our needs and confessions to God together.

## **Prayer of Confession**

God of love, your faithfulness and love endure forever, yet our hope and faith fade on a daily basis. Rekindle in us the joy of belonging to your enterprise on earth. When we are selfish or allow fear to reign,

#### J.S. Bach

F.R. Havergal

Christ Be Beside Me

forgive us. Strengthen our hearts to be able to love and forgive ourselves. Give us wisdom to know how to live fully into the life you are calling us to.

Take time to offer silent prayers.

## **Assurance of Pardon**

Friends, draw near to hear the Good News. Though the ancient high priests assured the people, the Risen Lord assures us in a new and living way, that we belong to Christ and Christ belongs to God. So, with confidence we enter a holy place to sing of our spiritual home at the heart of God.

## \*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.

Children's Message

\*Hymn, PH #343, vs. 2 and 3 Called as Partners in Christ's Service

## **Prayers of the People**

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

## Lord's Prayer

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.

AnthemAnd the Morning Brings Great JoyStacey NordmeyerAnd the morning brings great joy! From the silence comes a song.Past the shadows of the evening, golden light declares the dawn.And fresh with every daybreak, God's blessings fall like dew;Refreshing us with promise and mercies ever new.

And the morning brings great joy! There is hope with each new day. There are miracles awaiting, wondrous things along the way. Set free your "alleluias," let worship now begin, Come, celebrate beginnings and start to live again. Though the mountains rise before you and the days are filled with care, The Lord will not forsake you for He is always there. His love and peace are boundless, they last forever more, Renewed with every sunrise are the mercies of the Lord. Now we see a great horizon, we glimpse the faithful sun. Our eyes behold the wonder of all that God has done. And the morning brings great joy! As we rise to find our place. Our promised life is shining with the glory of His grace. Bright hope! Great joy!

#### **Prayer for Illumination**

## Scriptures

Hebrews 10:11-25

Day after day every priest stands and performs his religious duties; again and again he offers the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. But when this priest had offered for all time one sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God, and since that time he waits for his enemies to be made his footstool. For by one sacrifice he has made perfect forever those who are being made holy. The Holy Spirit also testifies to us about this. First he says: "This is the covenant I will make with them after that time, says the Lord. I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds." Then he adds: "Their sins and lawless acts I will remember no more." And where these have been forgiven, sacrifice for sin is no longer necessary.

Therefore, brothers and sisters, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body, and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us draw near to God with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another — and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### Sermon

#### **Rev. Diane Ford**

Call to Offering: We Bring a Symbol of our Unity in Mission

Offertory

Antiphon

Gordon Young

\*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**

Christ has dedicated himself to us, body, soul, and spirit. His very lifeblood is given so that we may have life. His very spirit is given so that we may be satisfied. Lord, help us to become fully alive as we dedicate our lives to you, body, mind, and spirit. Amen!

**Commissioning Delegates to El Salvador** — *Please see pink insert.* 

\*Closing Hymn, PH #391

\*Blessing and Charge

\*Amen

\*Postlude

The Angel's Trumpet

Dennis Eliot

Take My Life

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

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

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## **THANK YOU**

Pastor:	Diane Ford
Music Director:	Nicki Kerns
Lector:	(TBD)
Head Usher:	Pete Halper
Greeter:	George Bunch
Coffee:	Pete Halper
Flowers:	Charlie and Gwen May

## 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!

## The SpongeBob Musical, November 15th-24th

Cabrillo College is presenting *The SpongeBob Musical*, based on the series by Stephen Hillenburg. Tickets are available at <u>www.cabrillo.edu/</u> <u>vapa</u> or by calling 831-479-6154. Forgot to mention... that Nicki Kerns is the music director.

## Third Thursday Happy Hour, November 21st

Gilman Brewing Co. at Branciforte and Soquel (formerly Tony & Alba's) is the location for Trinity's Happy Hour on Thursday, November 21, at 4 p.m. Invite a friend and come enjoy fine Food, Fellowship and Drinks!

## Mary Ann Hobbs Memorial

A memorial service to celebrate the resurrection and the life of Mary Ann Hobbs is scheduled for Saturday, November 23, at 1:00 p.m. A catered reception will follow.

## **Calling All Angels**

Do you have a friend outside of Trinity Church who is dealing with anxiety? Invite them to our Advent dinner and discussion nights! We still have a few books available in the office, so pick up one for yourself and one for your friend this week. I'm excited to share my first Advent series with you!

— Pastor Diane



## This Christmas Season You Are Invited to: A Message of Fearlessness and Strength

**What?** Dinner and discussion of a timely and inspiring book, written by Erin Wathen.

**When?** Four weekly gatherings: Mondays at 5:30 PM, starting on November 25.

**Where?** Trinity Presbyterian Church, Fireside Room. 420 Melrose Ave., Santa Cruz, CA.

**Who?** Hosted by Trinity members and co-led by Pastor Diane Ford for our neighbors and friends.

**Next Step?** Sign up and receive a copy of the book by calling the office at 831-423-8995

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

- Ben, the Lawtons' grandson, and Cal Fire personnel: safety on the fire lines in Riverside County.
- Sutter Health medical team: gratitude from Pete Halper for successful back surgery; relief for those suffering from daily pain.
- Mary Lou, Jenny Yeaney's mother-in-law, and Marta Narus' good friend: quick healing from a cracked pelvis and return to good health.
- Carolyn Brothers: recovering from a melanoma in her eye.
- Kim Johnston: undergoing cataract surgery.
- Natalie Serigstad's grandmother: gratitude to be with her when she awakened from a stroke, and continued recovery.
- The Vilardo's granddaughter and all others serving in military forces: gratitude and safety.
- Peace: resolution of issues between warring factions around the world.

