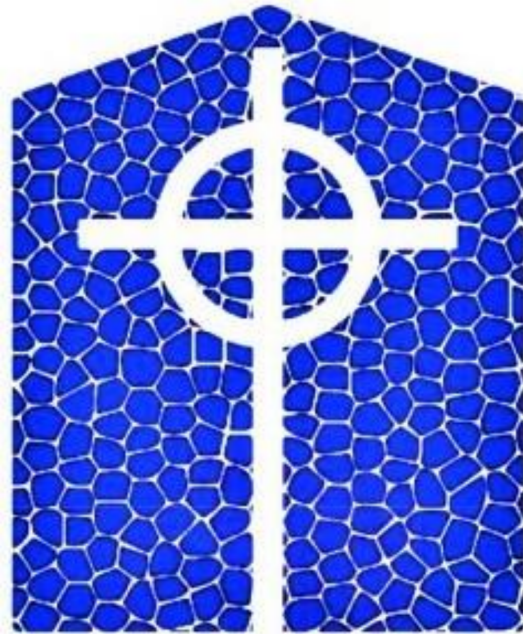


Trinity Presbyterian Church Palm Coast

February 26, 2023
1st Sunday in Lent



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Trinity Presbyterian Church is called by God, through our
Lord Jesus Christ, and empowered by the Holy Spirit,
to be a **worshiping, nurturing** and **serving** community.

Prelude Meditation on "Jesus, Lover of My Soul" arr. Lehenbauer

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome

Call to Worship

For forty days and forty nights,

led by the Spirit, Christ fasted in the wilderness.

For forty days and forty nights,

we prepare ourselves to meet the crucified and risen Christ.

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, your Son fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are but did not sin. Give us grace to direct our lives in obedience to your Spirit, that as you know our weakness, so we may know your power to save; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen.

* Hymn #216 "Beneath the Cross of Jesus"

Call to Confession

Being fully human, Jesus was tempted as we are. Being fully divine, Jesus knew the way out of the wilderness through which we still wander. Trusting that Christ will lead us, we repent of our waywardness, confess our sins, and turn back to the path of God's mercy.

Prayer of Confession

Merciful One, we are so easily tempted. We turn away from your word so quickly. We seek anything that claims to save us from discomfort, inconvenience, pain, fear, and emptiness. But these are false idols, dissolving in the wind. You are our true hope and salvation, our hiding place, our guide, our guardian. We confess our transgressions to you: forgive our sins. (Silence for Reflection)

Declaration of Forgiveness

Listen, the time has come at last. Look, now is the day of salvation! In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!
Thanks be to God.

Thanksgiving for Baptism

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

O Lord our God, we give you thanks for the mercy you so freely offer us through the grace of our baptism— safe passage through the sea, justice rolling down like water, deliverance from sin and death forever. By the power of your Holy Spirit, poured out upon us in baptism, teach us to love and serve you faithfully and reconcile us to you and to one another as members of one, living body; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

* Gloria Patri (Hymn #581)

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.

* Affirmation of Faith

To be reconciled to God is to be sent into the world as God's reconciling community. This community, the church universal, is entrusted with God's message of reconciliation and shares God's labor of healing the enmities which separate people from God and from each other. Christ has called the church to this mission and given it the gift of the Holy Spirit. The church maintains continuity with the apostles and with Israel by faithful obedience to his call.

Faith Formation Moment

Brooke Tucker

Prayers of the People and The 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.

Prayer for Illumination

Gracious God, our way in the wilderness, guide us by your Word through these forty days, and minister to us with your Holy Spirit, so that we may be reformed, restored, and renewed; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Responsive Reading

Psalm 32

¹ Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

² **Happy are those to whom the LORD imputes no iniquity and in whose spirit there is no deceit.**

³ While I kept silent, my body wasted away through my groaning all day long.

⁴ **For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.**

⁵ Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not hide my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and you forgave the guilt of my sin.

⁶ **Therefore let all who are faithful offer prayer to you; at a time of distress, the rush of mighty waters shall not reach them.**

⁷ You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with glad cries of deliverance.

⁸ **I will instruct you and teach you the way you should go; I will counsel you with my eye upon you.**

⁹ Do not be like a horse or a mule, without understanding, whose temper must be curbed with bit and bridle, else it will not stay near you.

¹⁰ **Many are the torments of the wicked, but steadfast love surrounds those who trust in the LORD.**

¹¹ **Be glad in the LORD and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart.**

Old Testament Reading

Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

¹⁵ The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. ¹⁶ And the LORD God commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden, ¹⁷ but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die."

3 Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God say, ‘You shall not eat from any tree in the garden?’” **2** The woman said to the serpent, “We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden, **3** but God said, ‘You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.’ ” **4** But the serpent said to the woman, “You will not die, **5** for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.” **6** So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food and that it was a delight to the eyes and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. **7** Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked, and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

Anthem "My Jesus, I Love Thee" arr. McChesney
Handbell Choir

Gospel Lesson Matthew 4:1-11
4 Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tested by the devil. **2** He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterward he was famished. **3** The tempter came and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.” **4** But he answered, “It is written, ‘One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.’ ” **5** Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, **6** saying to him, “If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down, for it is written, ‘He will command his angels concerning you,’ and ‘On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.’ ” **7** Jesus said to him, “Again it is written, ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test.’ ” **8** Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory, **9** and he said to him, “All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.” **10** Then Jesus said to him, “Away with you, Satan! for it is written, ‘Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.’ ” **11** Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

Meditation “It Is Written” Rev. Dr. Jeff Beebe

- * Hymn #167 "Forty Days and Forty Night"
- * Invitation to Discipleship and Offering of our Gifts
- * Blessing and Charge
May the steadfast love of God, the abundant grace of Jesus Christ, and the abiding presence of the Holy Spirit be with you this day and always.
Amen.
- * Congregational Response (Hymn #306)
Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love.
The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.
- * Passing of the Peace
Leader: May the Peace of Christ be with you.
People: And also with you.

* Postlude Pedal solo "You Are My Hiding Place" arr. Che

* Denotes please stand if able.

WORSHIP NOTES
Greeters: Susan Kopyar
Ushers: Marti Benz, Ron & Penny Weidner, Sandy & Bill Boland
Lay Reader: Shelley Kleinfelder **Audio Tech:** Chuck Radloff

Join us in prayer for our members and loved ones

Gail Alvaro, Margaret Applegate, Baby Winn, **Ajit Banerjee**, John Barrie, Andrew Billings, **Doris Boone**, Bret Bosier, Jason Bradley*, Dontrell Brown, Eliza Brown, **Al Burgess**, Jasper Casey, John Chappa, **Hal Childs**, **Gary Clickard**, Norma Colbert, John Decina, Maverick Dennis*, Rev. Dr. Jeff DeYoe, Dickiesons Family, **Joe Digby***, William Downs, Patrick Floyd*, Clarisa Gibson, Stanley Hannum*, **Pat Head**, **Cathie Huff**, A.J. & Vicki Jebbia, **Bob Johnson**, **Gene Johnson**, **Javan N. Jones***, **Kathy Jones-Mills**, **Jennifer Kaczmarek**, Brady Klefman, Bruce Lee, **Florence Lyman**, Marissa Mallicote, **Ed Manen**, **Jan Markiewicz**, **Gloria Martin**, **Marie McCray**, Declan Mitchell*, Pam Mitchell-Hess, **Pat Olson**, Joseph C. Orr*, **Howard Parker**, **Paul Parker**, William Patterson, **Julie Pearson**, **Helene Read**, **Ginny Reisinger**, Bradford Robinson, Ian Samuel, Jennifer Sheringham*, **Diane Simmons**, **Bonnie Slager**, Michelle Smith, **Yvonne Haldane-Smith**, **Brian Thomas**, **Ryan Tugas***, Dee Dee Turlington, Norma Warwell, **BJ Waugaman**, Todd Whipper, Ben Whitenack, **Matthew Winternheimer***, **Theodore Winternheimer***, **Kenny Wittmer**

If someone is in need of prayer, please let the church office know.
Those listed in bold are members of the church and the asterisk indicates active military service.

CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:

Jane Pellmann	2/20		Joe Markiewicz	2/26
Florence Lyman	2/21		Dalton Connors	2/28
Doris Boone	2/23		Walter Schaaf	3/2
Judith Hennenlotter	2/24		Maudie Parker	3/3
Steven Yeh	2/24		Hailey Mock	3/4

A Special Happy Birthday to Jane Gaulding’s dad, Julian Palien, who will turn 100 on March 22nd.
Please join us in Mehaffey Hall after the service for muffins to celebrate.

COOKIE SALE
Two of our youth, Madeline and Madelyn, are Girl Scouts.
They will be outside the narthex entry today selling cookies!
Stop by, get a box and help support their Girl Scout Troops!

TICKETS ARE ON SALE FOR OUR MONTREAT FUNDRAISER
Trinity’s Sock Hop and Soda Shop Saturday, March 11th 4pm-6:30pm
in the front parking lots!
Food, music, dancing, raffles, and lots of fun!
Tickets are \$15 presale or \$20 day of!
Support our youth and have a great time doing it!
Invite your friends and enjoy an afternoon of great fun!

THE PRAYER PROJECT
“Our Father who art in heaven. . .” This is the prayer Jesus taught us to pray. How can the Lord’s Prayer guide us this Lenten season to a closer relationship with God and with our church family?
Join us every Wednesday in Lent from 5:30pm to 6:30pm in the fellowship hall for an intergenerational time of fellowship, a simple meal and a time for exploring all types of prayer. All ages welcome and everyone’s invited.
We have saved a seat for you.

SAVE THE DATE--HANDBELL CONCERT
Join us on ***Sunday, March 12th at 4pm*** in the Sanctuary at Trinity for the Trinity Handbell Choir & Friends in Concert.

TRINITY BOOK CLUB
The next meeting will be in the Church Library on Thursday, March 9th at 11:00 a.m. “At Home in Mitford” by Jan Karon will be discussed. There is a copy of the book in our library and several at the Flagler Public Library along with an audio book. Please contact Kathy Burns for more information.

This Week in our Church (Office Hours: Mon.-Thurs.: 9:00am-12 noon)
Sunday, February 26th
10:00 AM Worship Service
11:00 AM 100th Birthday Celebration (Mehaffey)
11:15 AM Naomi & Ruth Circle (Calvin)
5:00-6:30 PM Youth Group-Middle & High School (Mehaffey/Youth Rms)
Monday, February 27th
9:30 AM Handbell Choir (Sanctuary)
5:30 PM Deacon’s Meeting (Kepler)
6:15 PM Cub Scouts Pack 281 (Mehaffey, Calvin, Youth Rooms)
6:30 PM Community Chorus (Sanctuary)
Tuesday, February 28th
5:30 PM Trinity Troopers (Youth Rooms)
6:30 PM Scouts-Troops 281 & 4281 (Mehaffey & Youth Rooms)
Wednesday, March 1st
10:00 AM PW Team Meeting (Mehaffey)
3:00 PM Stretch & Balance with Brooke (Chapel)
5:30 PM Prayer Project (Mehaffey)
8:15 PM AA (Mehaffey)
Thursday, March 2nd
6:00 PM Choir Rehearsal (Music Room)
6:00 PM ALANON Meeting (Calvin)
Friday, March 3rd
11:00 AM Church Women United Luncheon (Mehaffey)
6:30 PM NA Meeting (Mehaffey)
Saturday, March 4th
11:00 AM AAUW Book Club (Library)
Sunday, March 5th
Sacrament of Communion
10:00 AM Worship Service
5:00-6:30 PM Youth Group-Middle & High School (Mehaffey/Youth Rms)

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