

Trinity Presbyterian Church

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Third 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 **worshipping, nurturing and serving** community.

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Prelude "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing" arr. Travis

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome

Call to Worship

Come into God's presence with thanksgiving!

Let us sing to the rock of our salvation.

Even in the deserts of our lives,

God is among us.

Come, let us worship and bow down;

let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

Prayer of the Day

Merciful God, in Christ you make all things new.

Transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **Amen.**

* Hymn #65 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

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

Jesus, friend of all,

once again, we come to you knowing

our words have stung, our actions have harmed,

and our indifference has let evil have its day.

Our hearts yearn for you, our souls thirst for you,

yet we do not imitate you in our lives.

We scorn those who are different from us,

and relish our own comfort.

Once again, forgive us, O God.

Give us your living water, that we might tell

the world all you have done for us. (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

* Passing of the Peace

Leader: May the Peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

* 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 (Apostles' 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.

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 95

¹ O come, let us sing to the LORD;

let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

² **Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;**

let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

³ For the LORD is a great God and a great King above all gods.

⁴ **In his hand are the depths of the earth;**

the heights of the mountains are his also.

⁵ The sea is his, for he made it,

and the dry land, which his hands have formed.

⁶ **O come, let us worship and bow down;**

let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!

⁷ For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. O that today you would listen to his voice!

⁸ **Do not harden your hearts, as at Meribah, as on the day at Massah in the wilderness,**

