

THE ORDER OF  
HUMILITY

ISAIAH 6:1-13

ADVENT



TRINITY  
Presbyterian Church

## ORDER OF WORSHIP | Sunday, January 1, 2023

*Listening devices are available for the hearing impaired.*

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### SONG OF GATHERING & PREPARATION

The people of God always sang as they ascended the hill in Jerusalem up to the temple to worship (see Psalms 120-134). We, as well, prepare our hearts, minds, and bodies for worship by singing about the God we serve.

Ancient Of Days

### CALL TO WORSHIP | Isaiah 40:3-11 (ESV)

We read God's Word, the Bible, together. It reveals to us who God is and what He expects of us.

A voice cries: "In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD; make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain. And the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken." A voice says, "Cry!" And I said, "What shall I cry?" All flesh is grass, and all its beauty is like the flower of the field. The grass withers, the flower fades when the breath of the LORD blows on it; surely the people are grass. The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever. Go on up to a high mountain, O Zion, herald of good news; lift up your voice with strength, O Jerusalem, herald of good news; lift it up, fear not; say to the cities of Judah, "Behold your God!" Behold, the Lord GOD comes with might, and his arm rules for him; behold, his reward is with him, and his recompense before him. He will tend his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms; he will carry them in his bosom, and gently lead those that are with young.

### PRAYER OF ADORATION & CONFESSION

We pray together praising God for who He really is (Adoration) and admitting our inability to live up to what He expects of us (Confession).

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON | Isaiah 6:6-7 & Psalm 103:10-14 (ESV)

We read God's Word together and are reminded that mercy and grace are freely given to all who have faith in Jesus Christ.

Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. And he touched my mouth and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for." ... He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us. As a father shows compassion to his children, so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear him. For he knows our frame; he remembers that we are dust.

### WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

We respond to the good news of God's mercy and grace for us in Jesus by giving generously to the work of His church and the kingdom of God.

Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me

### PRAISE & CELEBRATION

Our response to God's free grace is celebratory worship. We express our praise to God for who He is and what He has done for us.

Holy Holy Holy

Only A Holy God

## CONFESSION OF FAITH

As an expression of our faith in Jesus Christ in solidarity with his people, we declare the substance of what we believe.

From the New City Catechism:

Q. 1. What is our only hope in life and death?

A. That we are not our own but belong, body and soul, both in life and death, to God and to our Savior Jesus Christ.

## KIDS' WORSHIP DISMISSAL (Infants - Kindergarten)

*Please see your child's check-in name tag for class assignment.*

## GREETING

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & INTERCESSION

We express in prayer our gratitude to God for what He has done and ask Him to continue to act for our good and the good of others in our community and world.

## PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD | Rob Rayburn

A small portion of God's Word is explained to us and applied to our lives and circumstances.

## SONG OF RESPONSE

We respond to the good news of God's mercy and grace by singing again of His goodness and greatness.

King Of Kings

## BENEDICTION

Because the hand of God's wrath was raised against Jesus, we now receive the hand of God's blessing as we are sent out to live our lives to the glory of God.

May the LORD bless you and keep you;  
the LORD make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you;  
the LORD turn His face toward you and give you His peace,  
both now and forevermore. Amen.

# SCRIPTURE PASSAGE & SERMON OUTLINE

## Proclamation of God's Word

**Text:** Isaiah 6:1-13 (ESV)

**Title:** The Order of Humility

**Teacher:** Rob Rayburn

<sup>1</sup> In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple. <sup>2</sup> Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. <sup>3</sup> And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory!" <sup>4</sup> And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. <sup>5</sup> And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!" <sup>6</sup> Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. <sup>7</sup> And he touched my mouth and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for." <sup>8</sup> And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here I am! Send me." <sup>9</sup> And he said, "Go, and say to this people: "'Keep on hearing, but do not understand; keep on seeing, but do not perceive.' <sup>10</sup> Make the heart of this people dull, and their ears heavy, and blind their eyes; lest they see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their hearts, and turn and be healed." <sup>11</sup> Then I said, "How long, O Lord?" And he said: "Until cities lie waste without inhabitant, and houses without people, and the land is a desolate waste, <sup>12</sup> and the LORD removes people far away, and the forsaken places are many in the midst of the land. <sup>13</sup> And though a tenth remain in it, it will be burned again, like a terebinth or an oak, whose stump remains when it is felled." The holy seed is its stump.

**Intro:** Why are we here? In church? *Anno Domini* 2023?

## THE PLACE OF HUMILITY

## THE POSTURE OF HUMILITY

## THE PURPOSE OF HUMILITY

## YOU CAN PRAY WITH US ...

1. Praise the LORD for His magnificence and His glory. Praise Him for His desire to share it with the world and His people through all creation, large and small.
2. Confess our unworthiness, for the sins and failures, which not only pollute His good creation but show ourselves alien to His glory, goodness and grace.
3. Give thanks that He has provided atonement, that He welcomes us into His presence, and that He would come down from His throne to meet us and to forgive our sins.
4. Pray that the Lord would impress His mission on our hearts this Sunday and the year to come. Where is the Lord asking you to go? What is He asking you to do for Him?
5. Ask the Holy Spirit to reveal to you, each day, each Sunday morning, the deeper reality beyond our eyes, to know, to experience and to appreciate all the ways that His is working.



## WELCOME TO TRINITY!

We're so glad you are here.

Please place completed tear-off in offering box.

Name (Please Print)    Gender  Male  Female

Spouse

Children (Include DOB for Children's Ministry)

Address

City/State                          Country/Zip

Phone

E-mail Address

### I am interested in:

- Worship Folder & Announcement Emails
- Volunteering
- Joining Trinity
- Ministry Opportunities
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### Prayer

How can our staff pray for you?

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### Mission

A city transformed: Loved by God the Father, saved by Jesus His Son, empowered by His Spirit, called by God to reach our city with His love.

## Community Bible Reading

[communitybiblereading.org](http://communitybiblereading.org)

January 1-7, 2023

(3-year plan: read blue passages | 1-year plan: read all)

### Sunday

Psalm 53

Psalm 1

Psalm 105

### Monday

Luke 1

1 Samuel 25

Genesis 1

### Tuesday

Luke 2

1 Samuel 26

Genesis 2

Song of Solomon 1

### Wednesday

Luke 3

1 Samuel 27

Genesis 3

Song of Solomon 2

### Thursday

Luke 4

1 Samuel 28

Genesis 4

Song of Solomon 3

### Friday

Luke 5

1 Samuel 29

Genesis 5

Song of Solomon 4

### Saturday

Psalm 54

Psalm 2

Psalm 106

### Scripture Memory for the Week:

#### Isaiah 6:5, 8-9 (ESV)

<sup>5</sup> And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!" ... <sup>8</sup> And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?"

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### Communication

Visit [trinitylakeland.org/events](http://trinitylakeland.org/events) to register.



### Person of Jesus Lunch Study

Wednesdays, 12p - Starting back January 18!

Contact the church office for information.



### 2022 Annual Report

Now available on our website and app!

Contact [Ashley Coleman](mailto:Ashley.Coleman@trinitylakeland.org) for information.



### Women's Ministry 2023 Retreat

April 14-16

Contact [JoAnn Johnson](mailto:JoAnn.Johnson@trinitylakeland.org) for information.

### Office Hours:

Sunday Worship | 10:00a

Mon - Fri | 8:30a - 5:00p

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