



# THE CROSS OF CHRIST

*LUKE 23:32-47; GALATIANS 6:14*



TRINITY  
Presbyterian Church

## ORDER OF WORSHIP | Sunday, April 5, 2020

*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.

Come As You Are

### CALL TO WORSHIP | Psalm 66:1-5 (ESV)

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

Shout for joy to God, all the earth; sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise! Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! So great is your power that your enemies come cringing to you. All the earth worships you and sings praises to you; they sing praises to your name." Come and see what God has done: he is awesome in his deeds toward the children of man.

### 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 | 1 Peter 2:21-25 (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.

For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps. He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in his mouth. When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but continued entrusting himself to him who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

### 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 this church and the kingdom of God.

Grace

### 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.

Man Of Sorrows

Almighty 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.*

*The Apostle's Creed:* I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

## 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 | Drew Bennett, Lead Pastor of Redeemer City Church

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.

Living Hope

## 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:** Luke 23:32-47 & Galatians 6:14 (ESV)

**Title:** The Cross of Christ

**Teacher:** Drew Bennett

<sup>32</sup> Two others, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. <sup>33</sup> And when they came to the place that is called The Skull, there they crucified him, and the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. <sup>34</sup> And Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do." And they cast lots to divide his garments. <sup>35</sup> And the people stood by, watching, but the rulers scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his Chosen One!" <sup>36</sup> The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine <sup>37</sup> and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" <sup>38</sup> There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews." <sup>39</sup> One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, saying, "Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!" <sup>40</sup> But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? <sup>41</sup> And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong." <sup>42</sup> And he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." <sup>43</sup> And he said to him, "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in paradise." <sup>44</sup> It was now about the sixth hour, and there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour, <sup>45</sup> while the sun's light failed. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two. <sup>46</sup> Then Jesus, calling out with a loud voice, said, "Father, into your hands I commit my spirit!" And having said this he breathed his last. <sup>47</sup> Now when the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God, saying, "Certainly this man was innocent!" ...  
<sup>6:14</sup> But far be it from me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.

## THE CROSS - OUR CALLING

Jesus set His face towards the Cross. He wants us to go with Him.



## **THE CROSS - OUR SALVATION**

The innocent killed for the guilty and the cracking of the “Stone Table” ...

## **THE CROSS - OUR BOAST**

On the Cross, Jesus worked FOR us. If we believe, He also works IN us.

## **YOU CAN PRAY WITH US ...**

1. Worship the LORD. He is awesome in His deeds towards the children of man (Psalm 66:5).
2. Have you lost heart? Has it become an excuse to not love well? Confess your unbelief to Jesus, asking Him to forgive you and to free you from self-concern.
3. Give thanks for Jesus Christ, who for the joy set before Him endured the Cross. He has accomplished a mighty work for you there. He can also accomplish a mighty work in you.
4. Jesus is the author and perfecter of our faith. Ask for the Spirit to make you bold in your witness. Pray for the courage to take up your Cross and follow during this difficult time.

# WELCOME TO TRINITY!

We're so glad you are here.

Please place completed tear-off in offering plate.

Name (Please Print) Gender  Male  Female

Spouse

Children (Include DOB for Children's Ministry)

Address

City/State Country/Zip

Phone

E-mail Address

First-Time Visitor  Regular Attendee

Member  College Student

Update my contact information

## I would like to receive:

Worship Folder & Announcement Emails

## I would like information about:

Children's Ministry  New Member Class

College Ministry  Student Ministry

Community Group  Volunteering

Men's Ministry  Women's Ministry

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## Prayer

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## Community Bible Reading

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

April 6 - 11, 2020

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

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| Monday | 1 Corinthians 1 | Exodus 19 |
|        | 2 Kings 16      | Isaiah 61 |

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| Tuesday | 1 Corinthians 2 | Exodus 20 |
|         | 2 Kings 17      | Isaiah 62 |

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| Wednesday | 1 Corinthians 3 | Exodus 21 |
|           | 2 Kings 18      | Isaiah 63 |

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| Thursday | 1 Corinthians 4 | Exodus 22 |
|          | 2 Kings 19      | Isaiah 64 |

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| Friday | 1 Corinthians 5 | Exodus 23 |
|        | 2 Kings 20      | Isaiah 65 |

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| Saturday | Psalms 67 | Psalms 15  |
|          |           | Psalms 118 |

## Scripture Memory for the Week:

**Galatians 6:14 (ESV)**

<sup>14</sup> But far be it from me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.

## Communication

Register for events at [trinitylakeland.org/events](http://trinitylakeland.org/events)



### Vacation Bible School (VBS) - Rocky Railway

June 8-11, 8:45a-12p

Contact [Callie Sandman](#) if you are interested in volunteering.



### High School Summer Camp

June 27 - July 2 - *registration begins on April 19.*

Contact [Brown Peterson](#) for information.



### Middle School Summer Camp

July 13-17 - *registration begins on April 19.*

Contact [Brown Peterson](#) for information.

## Office Hours:

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