

RETURN FROM EXILE

EZRA & NEHEMIAH

#### PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

In relation to baptism, surely the first thing to strike us [in Scripture] is the emphasis placed not so much on the person baptized as on the one into whose name he or she is baptized. The words of institution in Matthew 28:19 tell us that baptism is to be into the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. In the Acts accounts we read of baptisms in the name of Jesus Christ, which implies the whole Trinity. Paul disclaims the importance of the human minister only to enhance the one into whose name we are all baptized." All this means that baptism does not primarily summon either ourselves or others to look at us and our faith and confession of faith. It invites both ourselves and others to look first at the One who is the object of our faith and whose gracious work we acknowledge when we confess our faith.... Baptism finds its basic and central meaning as a sign and proclamation of the work of God whereby the righteousness of faith is sealed to us. It has only secondary and derivative meaning as the confession of our own faith and conversion.

- Geoffrey Bromiley, Children of Promise, 35ff.

#### CALL TO WORSHIP | PSALM 145:10-13

All Your works shall give thanks to You, O LORD, and all Your saints shall bless You!

They shall speak of the glory of Your Kingdom

and tell of Your power,

to make known to the children of man Your mighty deeds,

and the glorious splendor of Your Kingdom.

Your Kingdom is an everlasting Kingdom,

and Your dominion endures throughout all generations.

ADVENT CHRISTMAS EPIPHANY LENT EASTER PENTECOST ORDINARY TIME

#### **PSALM 150 (PRAISE THE LORD)**

Matt Boswell / Matt Papa / Keith & Kristyn Getty

You made the starry hosts, You traced the mountain peaks You paint the evening sky with wonders The earth, it is Your throne From desert to the sea All nature testifies Your splendor

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord Sing His greatness all creation Praise the Lord, raise your voice You heights and all you depths From furthest east to west Let everything that has breath Praise the Lord

You reached into the dust In love, Your Spirit breathed You formed us in Your very likeness To know Your wondrous works, To tell Your mighty deeds To join the everlasting chorus Let symphonies resound,
Let drums and choirs ring out
All heaven hear the sound of worship
Let every nation bring
Its honors to the King
A roar of harmonies eternal

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
Sing His greatness all creation
Praise the Lord, raise your voice,
You heights and all you depths
From furthest east to west,
You distant burning stars
All creatures near and far,
From sky to sea to shore
Sing out forevermore
Let everything that has breath
Praise the Lord

#### We Listen to His Word | 1 PETER 2:9-12

### **We Confess our Sins**

O God, we praise You that You have given all authority to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. He is the King of kings, and Lord of lords, and worthy of all of our honor and service. Yet, our Father, we confess that we are often timid stewards of Your Kingdom: we are sometimes fearful to utter Your Name; slow to follow where You would lead us; doubtful that You will sustain and strengthen us. Father, be merciful to us in our frailty and failure, in our fear and our doubt. May we rest in Your forgiving love, Your omnipotent sovereignty, Your omniscient wisdom. Give us grace to rely wholly on You, trusting that in our weakness is Your strength.

**SILENT CONFESSION** Please pause for a moment of silent confession.

# We Hear Words of Assurance and Pardon | colossians 1:13-14

He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the Kingdom of His beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel: in Jesus Christ know that you're forgiven and be at peace. *Thanks be to God!* 



#### **PSALM 46 (LORD OF HOSTS)**

Words & Music: Jennie L. Riddle, Josh Miller, Josiah Warneking, Shane Barnard, Shane Barnard

O come behold the works of God
The nations at His feet
He breaks the bow and bends the spear
And tells the wars to cease
O Mighty One of Israel, You are on our side
We walk by faith in God who burns
The chariots with fire

Lord of Hosts, You're with us
With us in the fire
With us as a shelter, with us in the storm
You will lead us through the fiercest battle
Oh where else would we go
But with the Lord of Hosts

O God of Jacob, fierce and great You lift Your voice to speak The earth it bows And all the mountains move into the sea O Lord You know the hearts of men And still You let them live O God who makes the mountains melt Come wrestle us and win O God who makes the mountains melt Come wrestle us and win

Though oceans roar, You are the Lord of all The One who calms the wind and waves And makes my heart be still Though the earth gives way The mountains move into the sea The nations rage, I know my God is in control

#### YET NOT I BUT THROUGH CHRIST IN ME

Jonny Robinson, Michael Farren, and Rich Thompson

What gift of grace, is Jesus my redeemer
There is no more for heaven now to give
He is my joy, my righteousness, and freedom
My steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace
To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus
For my life is wholly bound to His
Oh how strange and divine, I can sing: all is mine!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

The night is dark, but I am not forsaken
For by my side, the Savior, He will stay
I labor on, in weakness and rejoicing
For in my need, His power is displayed
To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me
Through the deepest valley He will lead
Oh the night has been won, and I shall overcome!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven
The future sure, the price it has been paid
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon
And He was raised to overthrow the grave
To this I hold, my sin has been defeated
Jesus now and ever is my plea
Oh the chains are released,
I can sing: I am free!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

With every breath I long to follow Jesus For He has said that He will bring me home And day by day, I know He will renew me Until I stand with joy before the throne

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus All the glory evermore to Him When the race is complete, s till my lips shall repeat Yet not I, but through Christ in me!

#### We Ask for God's Help

#### We Confess our Faith | WESTMINSTER CONFESSION OF FAITH 28.1 (MODERN LANGUAGE)

Baptism is a sacrament of the New Testament, ordained by Jesus Christ. By baptism a person is solemnly admitted into the visible church. Baptism is also a sign and seal of the covenant of grace, of the believer's engrafting into Christ, of rebirth, of remission of sins, and of the believer's yielding to God through Jesus Christ to walk in newness of life. By Christ's own direction this sacrament is to be continued in his church until the end of the world.

# **New Members**

Edwin Thorpe & the Harlan Family (Caleb, Maggie, Micah, Braden, Emy Kate, Brooks)

#### Sacrament of Baptism | BROOKS ANDREW HARLAN

#### Parental Vows

- Do you acknowledge your children's need of the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ and the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit?
- 2. Do you claim God's covenant promises on their behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for their salvation, as you do for your own?
- Do you now unreservedly dedicate your children to God, and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will

endeavor to set before them a godly example, that you will pray with and for them, that you will teach them the doctrines of our holy religion, and that you will strive, by all the means of God's appointment, to bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?

#### Congregational Vow

Do you as a congregation undertake the responsibility of assisting these parents in the Christian nurture of their children?

### **Trinity Vision Moment**

Community Group Testimonies - Brad and Steph Ruttman

# We Greet Others with Peace | colossians 1:19-20

For in Him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through Him to reconcile to Himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of His cross. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

#### And also with you!

**TrinityKids:** During the Greeting of Peace, children 5 & 4 may be dismissed to walk to TrinityKids. They will be led by a teacher to return to worship with us before the Lord's Supper.

#### We Are Changed by God's Word | EZRA 7:1-10

[1] Now after this, in the reign of Artaxerxes king of Persia, Ezra the son of Seraiah, son of Azariah, son of Hilkiah, [2] son of Shallum, son of Zadok, son of Ahitub, [3] son of Amariah, son of Azariah, son of Meraioth, [4] son of Zerahiah, son of Uzzi, son of Bukki, [5] son of Abishua, son of Phinehas, son of Eleazar, son of Aaron the chief priest—[6] this Ezra went up from Babylonia. He was a scribe skilled in the Law of Moses that the LORD, the God of Israel, had given, and the king granted him all that he asked, for the hand of the LORD his God was on him.

[7] And there went up also to Jerusalem, in the seventh year of Artaxerxes the king, some of the people of Israel, and some of the priests and Levites, the singers and gatekeepers, and the temple servants. [8] And Ezra came to Jerusalem in the fifth month, which was in the seventh year of the king. [9] For on the first day of the first month he began to go up from Babylonia, and on the first day of the fifth month he came to Jerusalem, for the good hand of his God was on him. [10] For Ezra had set his heart to study the Law of the LORD, and to do it and to teach his statutes and rules in Israel. (ESV)

### "GOD'S MISSION AND GOD'S WORD" | REV. BLAKE ALTMAN

### We Give Regularly, Joyfully and Sacrificially | GIVE.TRINITYOWASSO.COM

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- 1. Online: give.trinityowasso.com
- 2. Trinity Owasso App
- 3. Text "trinityowasso" to 77977

- 4. Offering basket during worship
- 5. Mail your gift to the church office
- **6.** Stock or cash gifts through a foundation like the PCA Foundation, pcafoundation.com

(Please take a moment to fill out the Trinity Connect Card & place it in the offering basket when it is passed down the aisle. If you miss the offering basket, please leave your Trinity Connect Card or tithe in a connect-card box in the lobby.)

#### We Celebrate Holy Communion | FIRST COMMUNION: BRADEN HARLAN

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

Lift up your hearts!

We lift them up to the Lord!

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

It is right and good and a joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks unto You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God. Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify Your glorious name; evermore praising You, and singing:

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below; Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

#### **COME THOU FOUNT OF EVERY BLESSING**

Robert Robinson (1735-1790)

Come Thou Fount, of every blessing, Tune my heart to sing Thy grace; Streams of mercy never ceasing, Call for songs of loudest praise, Teach me some melodious sonnet, Sung by flaming tongues above; Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, Mount of God's unchanging love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer; Hither by Thy help I'm come; And I hope, by Thy good pleasure, Safely to arrive at home. Jesus sought me when a stranger, Wand'ring from the fold of God: He, to rescue me from danger, Interposed His precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor Daily I'm constrained to be; Let that grace now, like a fetter, Bind my wand'ring heart to Thee. Prone to wander, Lord I feel it--Prone to leave the God I love: Here's my heart, O take and seal it, Seal it for Thy courts above.

### God sends us out with His good Word | HEBREWS 13:20-21

Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

# We go into the world for His glory

Let us go forth to serve our neighbors and the world as those who love our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Thanks be to God! Amen!

# **Welcome to Trinity!**

#### We are so glad you're here!

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Learn more about how we connect kids to
during worship time: <u>tpkok.cc/kidsandworship</u>

#### TRINITYKIDS | Babies - 5th Grade

SUN. 9AM & Special Events Sunday | Barnes Elementary Contact - Text Mishelle: 918-991-9860

#### TRINITY YOUTH | 6th Grade - Sr. High

SUN. 9AM; WED 6:30PM Sunday | Barnes Elementary Wednesday | Trinity House Contact - Text Nathan: 314-662-6488 See *GroupMe* for special events throughout the week.

#### **ADULT DISCIPLESHIP CLASSES**

SUN. 9AM | Classes Rotate Seasonally Current Classes:

- Westminster Larger Catechism with Trinity Elders
- · Church History with Pastor Blake & Fr. John Thorpe

**WOMEN'S MINISTRY** | Bible Studies, Events, & Meetups throughout the year. Join Women's GroupMe!



For more information, text Caity at 918-812-0247

MEN'S MINISTRY | Bible Study & Events WED. 6:15AM at Panera in Owasso WED. 6:45 pm PM at 10517 N. Sheridan, Sperry OK Contact - Jon Nadig: 719-576-8956

#### WHERE WE MEET EACH WEEK

Barnes Elementary [7809 East 76<sup>th</sup> St N Owasso] Sunday 9AM & 10AM

Trinity House: 9210 N Garnett, Owasso

- Houses our Staff Offices & Meeting Space
- Various Ministries Throughout the Week

# **MERCY MINISTRY SEMINAR**

SAT, OCTOBER 14 | 9AM - 3:30PM LUNCH PROVIDED | TRINITY OFFICES



Training with Mr. Robert Blevins,

**Director of Mercy Ministries Mission to North America.**We will discover practical insights and actionable steps to lay the foundation for a thriving mercy ministry.



Friday OCT 6 Classroom Overview 5-8PM (with dinner)

Saturday OCT 7 Hands-on 1 hour Bobcat MT-85 training 8AM-2PM (you choose)



Friday location: Trinity Offices Scan for more info and registration



# **How to Respond to Today's Service?**

# 1. SEEK STILLNESS FOR PRAYER AND REFLECTION TODAY. You may want to pray something like this:

#### Prayer for Those Searching for the Truth:

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way the truth and the life. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me and open me to the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads me to the life you promise. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. Amen.

Prayer of Belief: Lord Jesus Christ, I confess that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever dare imagine, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dare dream. Thank you for paying my debt on the cross, taking what I deserved in order to offer me complete forgiveness and making me righteous before my Heavenly

Father. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior and Lord. Amen.

Prayer of Commitment: Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you in baptism and in a life of committed discipleship through membership in your church. Grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with your people and live in the fullness of your Spirit. Amen.

- **2. READ SCRIPTURE.** Read the sermon passage again and reflect on what the Holy Spirit called to mind. How might you apply it with God's help?
- 3. JOIN US AT A COMMUNITY GROUP or REGISTER FOR AN UPCOMING EVENT. We want you to be a part of us.
- $\hbox{\bf 4. FILL OUT A CONNECT CARD.} \ Let us know how to pray for you and get you the information you seek.$



THANK YOU FOR JOINING US TODAY!

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