



TRINITY

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2023
TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

RETURN FROM EXILE

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PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Certainly there was an Eden on this very unhappy earth. We all long for it, and we are constantly glimpsing it: our whole nature at its best and least corrupted, its gentlest and most humane, is still soaked with the sense of "exile".

— J.R.R. Tolkien, *The Letters of J.R.R. Tolkien*

CALL TO WORSHIP | PSALM 31:1-5

In You, O LORD, do I take refuge; let me never be put to shame;

in Your righteousness deliver me!

Incline Your ear to me;

rescue me speedily!

Be a rock of refuge for me,

a strong fortress to save me!

For You are my rock and my fortress;

and for Your Name's sake You lead me and guide me;

You take me out of the net they have hidden for me,

for You are my refuge.

Into Your hand I commit my spirit;

You have redeemed me, O LORD, faithful God.

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 | NEHEMIAH 8:1-8

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

We Confess our Sins

O Merciful Father, You have freed me from the dominion of the devil and from the guilt of my sin, bestowing to me the riches of Christ, yet I confess to You the power and allure that sin still has in my life. O God, all of my affections, motives, and desires need to be refined in the fire of Your purity! Let not Your Spirit depart from me. Hide me in Christ, my Savior and Advocate, my strength and my shield, that I would not hear the voice of the charmer, and might be delivered from his lusts. Help me to take everything I can see and use it for Your eternal, unseen purpose, so that Christ would truly be glorified in my life.

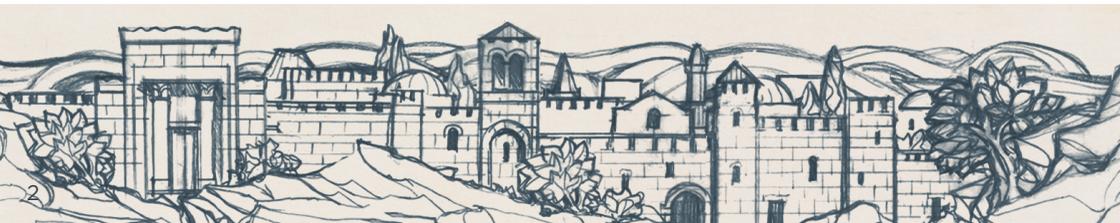
SILENT CONFESSION *Please pause for a moment of silent confession.*

We Hear Words of Assurance and Pardon | PSALM 34:6

This poor man cried and the LORD heard him and saved him out of all his troubles.

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

Thanks be to God!



ANCIENT OF DAYS

Words & Music: Jonny Robinson, Rich Thompson, Michael Farren and Jesse Reeves

Though the nations rage, kingdoms rise and fall
There is still one King, reigning over all
So I will not fear, for this truth remains
That my God is the Ancient of Days

**None above Him, none before Him,
All of time in His hands
For His throne, it shall remain and ever stand
All the power, all the glory
I will trust in His name
For my God is the Ancient of Days**

Though the dread of night, overwhelms my soul
He is here with me, I am not alone
Oh His love is sure, and He knows my name
For my God is the Ancient of Days

Though I may not see, what the future brings
I will watch and wait for the Savior King
Then my joy complete, standing face to face
In the presence of the Ancient of Days

We Listen to His Word | NEHEMIAH 8:9-18

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

IN CHRIST ALONE

Keith Getty and Stuart Townend

In Christ alone, my hope is found
He is my light, my strength, my song
This Cornerstone this solid ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love, what depths of peace
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease
My Comforter my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone, who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell, no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

We Ask for God's Help

Let us close using the words our Lord taught us, saying:

"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."

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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

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.***

A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD

Words and Music: Martin Luther: Scottish Psalter 1635

A mighty fortress is our God
A bulwark never failing
Our helper He, amid the flood
Of mortal ills prevailing;
For still our ancient foe
Doth seek to work us woe;
His craft and power are great
And armed with cruel hate
On earth is not his equal

Did we in our own strength confide
Our striving would be losing
Were not the right Man on our side
The Man of God's own choosing
Dost ask who that may be?
Christ Jesus, it is He
Lord Sabaoth, His name
From age to age the same
And He must win the battle

And though this world, with devils filled
Should threaten to undo us
We will not fear, for God hath willed
His truth to triumph through us
The prince of darkness grim
We tremble not for him
His rage we can endure
For lo, his doom is sure
One little word shall fell him

That Word above all earthly powers
No thanks to them, abideth
The Spirit and the gifts are ours
Through Him who with us sideth
Let goods and kindred go
This mortal life also
The body they may kill
God's truth abideth still
His kingdom is forever

God sends us out with His good Word | ZEPHANIAH 3:17

The LORD your God is in your midst, a mighty one who will save; he will rejoice over you with gladness; he will quiet you by his love; he will exult over you with loud singing.

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!

Connect with us: tpcok.cc/connect

Learn more about how we connect kids to during worship time: tpkoc.cc/kidsandworship

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
- **Covenant Theology** with Pastor Blake

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 76th St N Owasso]

Sunday 9AM & 10AM

Trinity House: 9210 N Garnett, Owasso

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

Women's Christmas
CRAFT NIGHT
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14
7-9 PM • SCAN TO REGISTER

Mount Arukah
WORK DAY
EVERY 3RD SATURDAY OF THE MONTH
9AM-3PM *OPTIONS FOR HALF-DAYS AVAILABLE
REGISTER TO SERVE TODAY!

Help The Demand Project maintain a safe and beautiful campus for the Mount Arukah residents on their Journey to Freedom!

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.

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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