



All Saints Day - Communion

November 1, 2020

Trinity Presbyterian Church

Topeka, KS

GATHERING

We gather as the Body of Christ to Encounter God in worship.

Prelude

Festival Prelude on THAXTED

D.H. Pettit / Quentin Mallette, Trumpet & Flugelhorn

Tim Smale, Organ

CENTERING WORDS

What changes might come into your life as a result of taking to heart and practicing the commandment to "love your neighbor as yourself"?

Welcome and Announcements

Michael Langfitt

Opening Words

Prayer of the Day

Unison

**God of unfailing light, in your realm of glory
the poor are blessed, the hungry filled,
and every tear is wiped away.**

**Strengthened by this vision, may we follow in the way of holiness
that your Son made known in life and death. Amen.**

Organ Interlude

Tim Smale

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

Congregation

Holy God, we so often fail to remember how profoundly you love us. You bless us even when we are at our wit's end. You created us, and you love us as we are, even as you inspire our desire to be better through your Holy Spirit. Forgive us when we fail to remember that we are the body of

Christ, saints-in-process. Empower us to begin anew, encouraged by the stories of those who live in your eternal presence. In the name of Jesus, and for the sake of the gospel, we pray. Amen.

(time for silent prayer)

Assurance of Forgiveness

Rev. Meredith Kemp-Pappan

Thanks be to God.

THE WORD

The Word of God in scripture and interpreted in proclamation is the center of worship.

Prayer of Illumination

First Lesson

Revelation 7: 9-17

The Message

9-12 I looked again. I saw a huge crowd, too huge to count. Everyone was there—all nations and tribes, all races and languages. And they were standing, dressed in white robes and waving palm branches, standing before the Throne and the Lamb and heartily singing: Salvation to our God on his Throne! Salvation to the Lamb! All who were standing around the Throne—Angels, Elders, Animals—fell on their faces before the Throne and worshiped God, singing: Oh, Yes!

The blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving, The honor and power and strength, To our God forever and ever and ever! Oh, Yes!

13-14 Just then one of the Elders addressed me: “Who are these dressed in white robes, and where did they come from?” Taken aback, I said, “O Sir, I have no idea—but you must know.”

14-17 Then he told me, “These are those who come from the great tribulation, and they’ve washed their robes, scrubbed them clean in the blood of the Lamb. That’s why they’re standing before God’s Throne. They serve him day and night in his Temple. The One on the Throne will pitch his tent there for them: no more hunger, no more thirst, no more scorching heat. The Lamb on the Throne will shepherd them, will lead them to spring waters of Life. And God will wipe every last tear from their eyes.”

Thanks be to God

Special Music

A Mighty Fortress
arr. T. Rumsey / Quentin Mallette, Trumpet
Tim Smale, Organ

Second Lesson

Matthew 5: 1-12
The Message

5 1-2 When Jesus saw his ministry drawing huge crowds, he climbed a hillside. Those who were apprenticed to him, the committed, climbed with him. Arriving at a quiet place, he sat down and taught his climbing companions. This is what he said:

3 “You’re blessed when you’re at the end of your rope. With less of you there is more of God and his rule.

4 “You’re blessed when you feel you’ve lost what is most dear to you. Only then can you be embraced by the One most dear to you.

5 “You’re blessed when you’re content with just who you are—no more, no less. That’s the moment you find yourselves proud owners of everything that can’t be bought.

6 “You’re blessed when you’ve worked up a good appetite for God. He’s food and drink in the best meal you’ll ever eat.

7 “You’re blessed when you care. At the moment of being ‘care-full,’ you find yourselves cared for.

8 “You’re blessed when you get your inside world—your mind and heart—put right. Then you can see God in the outside world.

9 “You’re blessed when you can show people how to cooperate instead of compete or fight. That’s when you discover who you really are, and your place in God’s family.

10 “You’re blessed when your commitment to God provokes persecution. The persecution drives you even deeper into God’s kingdom.

11-12 “Not only that—count yourselves blessed every time people put you down or throw you out or speak lies about you to discredit me. What it means is that the truth is too close for comfort and they are uncomfortable. You can be glad when that happens—give a cheer, even!—for though they don’t like it, *I* do! And all heaven applauds. And know that you are in good company. My prophets and witnesses have always gotten into this kind of trouble.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Rev. Meredith Kemp-Pappan

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

We respond to the Word of God in prayer and by offering ourselves and our Substance.

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

Take My Life and Let it Be
arr. S. Pethel / Quentin Mallette, Trumpet
Jaron Marcus, Piano

Prayer of Dedication

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

*This morning we will celebrate communion as we worship.
If you are worshiping remotely and wish to partake of this sacrament,
please have elements (juice, bread, etc.) ready.*

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And, also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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.

Breaking of the Bread

Communion of the People

At the invitation of the presider, you may partake of the bread and cup.

Communion Music

Brad Stipcak

Prayer After Communion

SENDING FORTH

Worship Equips Us To Go Forth To Serve God In The World.

Charge and Blessing

***Postlude**

Prelude and Fugue in F Major
J.S. Bach / Tim Smale, Organ

Participating in Worship Leadership:

Rev. Meredith Kemp-Pappan, Presider

Michael Langfitt, Liturgist

Brad Stipcak, Organ

Jaron Marcus, Piano

Tim Smale, Organ

Quentin Mallette, Trumpet & Flugelhorn

Anton Ahrens, Audio/Visual

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