

22nd Sunday after Pentecost

October 24, 2021 Trinity Presbyterian Church, Topeka, KS

Pre-Service Music

"Shout to The Lord" Darlene Zetsch Jaron Marcus, Piano

GATHERING

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

Prelude

"10,000 Reasons (Bless The Lord)" Jonas Myrin/Matt Redman Jaron Marcus, Piano

CENTERING WORDS How much is enough?

Welcome and Announcements

Connie Hubbell

Introit

"How Can I Keep from Singing"
Robert Lowry
Trinity Heritage Choir
Jaron Marcus, Piano

Responsive Call to Worship

Here is the place where we can bring our pain and hopes.

For our God carries them with us.

Here is the place where we can listen for our calling.

For Jesus invites us to serve with him in the world.

Here is the place where we are surrounded by grace.

For the Spirit hears our hearts and heals them.

Unison Prayer of the Day

Gracious God,
who clothes the lilies and feeds the birds
and cares for us, too,
help us to cease our worrying and all our strivings.
Add to our lives, day by day,
calm trust in you
until we find what we seek above all:
your kingdom.
In the name of Jesus,
we pray. Amen.

*Hymn No. 175 "Seek Ye First"

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

Congregation

God of perfect love, you continually bring forth life, transforming sadness to joy, and despair to hope. We are weak, but you are strong. Our ways are flawed, but your ways are true. We are seldom right, but you are never wrong. Forgive us, redeem us, transform us. Take away the sin that burdens us, and restore us to the people you would have us be, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Kyrie (Lord Have Mercy) GTG 576

Congregation Jaron Marcus, Piano

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy on us.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Rev. Meredith Kemp-Pappan

*Gloria Patri GTG 581

Congregation Jaron Marcus, Piano

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

THE WORD

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

Sermon on the Steps

Jane Williams

Prayer of Illumination

First Lesson

Hear, O Israel: The Lord is our God, the Lord alone. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart.

Anthem

"Wonderful Peace"
Stan Pethel
Trinity Heritage Choir
Jaron Marcus, Piano

Second Lesson Matthew 6: 25-33

"Therefore, I say to you, don't worry about your life, what you'll eat or what you'll drink, or about your body, what you'll wear. Isn't life more than food and the body more than clothes? Look at the birds in the sky. They don't sow seed or harvest grain or gather crops into barns. Yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Aren't you worth much more than they are? Who among you by worrying can add a single moment to your life? And why do you worry about clothes? Notice how the lilies in the field grow. They don't wear themselves out with work, and they don't spin cloth. But I say to you that even Solomon in all of his splendor wasn't dressed like one of these. If God dresses grass in the field so beautifully, even though it's alive today and tomorrow it's thrown into the furnace, won't God do much more for you, you people of weak faith? Therefore, don't worry and say, 'What are we going to eat?' or 'What are we going to drink?' or 'What are we going to wear?' Gentiles long for all these things. Your heavenly Father knows that you need them. Instead, desire first and foremost God's kingdom and God's righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

People: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Putting God FIRST: Giving from the Heart Rev. Meredith Kemp-Pappan

RESPONSE TO THE WORD We respond to the Word of God in prayer and by offering ourselves and our substance.

*Affirmation of Faith

Adapted from A Brief Statement of Faith

We trust in God the Holy Spirit,
everywhere the giver and renewer of life.
In a broken and fearful world
the Spirit gives us courage
to pray without ceasing,
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,
to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,
to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,
and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.
In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,
we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks
and to live holy and joyful lives,
even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth,
praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

Prayers of the People

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

"All Who Are Thirsty"
Brenton Brown
Jaron Marcus, Piano

*Doxology GTG 607

Congregation Brad Stipcak, Organ

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow Praise Christ, all people here below; Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God whom we adore. Amen.

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

^{*}Prayer of Dedication and Lord's Prayer

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.]

Sending Forth Worship equips us to go forth to serve God in the world.

*Sending Hymn No. 63, Verses 1-3

"The Lord is Good" Brad Stipcak, Organ

*Charge and Blessing

*Sung Response

"When You Walk from Here" Sing Twice Jaron Marcus, Piano

*Postlude

"I Will Call Upon The Lord" Michael O'Shields Jaron Marcus

Participating in Worship Leadership:
Rev. Meredith Kemp-Pappan, Presider
Connie Hubbell, Liturgist
Brad Stipcak, Director of Music, Organ
Jaron Marcus, Piano
Peter Sandquist, Audio/Visual
Anton Ahrens, Audio/Visual

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^{*}Please rise in body or spirit.