

**Trinity Presbyterian Church
October 15, 2023 A.D.
The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost**

Rev. Dr. Murray Joseph Thompson - Pastor

Gathering Music
Welcome & Announcements
Prelude

L: Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness. Come into God's presence with singing!

P: For the Lord is a gracious God, whose mercy is everlasting; and whose faithfulness endures to all generations.

L: Therefore, let us gather together this day and praise His name together . . . Amen! (Psalm 100)

Call to Confession

L: God is light; in him there is no darkness at all. If we claim to have fellowship with him, yet walk in darkness, we lie and do not live by the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, His Son, purifies us from sin. If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. Therefore, let us confess our sins on this day.

In Unison: ***Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our shortcomings, and our offenses against you. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease you. Forgive our sins, and help us to live in your light, and walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.***

Pastor: Hear the Good News! The saying is sure and full of acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, that we might be dead to sin, and alive to all that is good. I declare to you in the name of Jesus Christ, we are all forgiven. Amen.

*Our Response

What a Friend We have in Jesus

***What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer! O what
peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear, all because
we do not carry everything to God in prayer!***

Sharing Our Faith with Our Children

*Hymn - ***To God Be the Glory #485***

The Morning Scripture Lesson: Matthew 7:7-12

Ask, Seek, Knock

⁷“Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. ⁸ For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.

⁹“Which of you, if your son asks for bread, will give him a stone? ¹⁰ Or if he asks for a fish, will give him a snake? ¹¹ If you, then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good gifts to those who ask him! ¹² So in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you, for this sums up the Law and the Prophets.

Sermon: ***Ask, Seek, Knock!***

*Hymn - ***O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee #357***

Presentation of Tithes & Offerings

Offertory

*Doxology (Hymn #592)

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

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

*Sending forth and Benediction

*Choral response ***God be with You Till We Meet Again***

God be with you till we meet again, by His counsel guide, uphold you, with His sheep securely fold you, God be with you till we meet again. Till we meet, till we meet, till we meet at Jesus' feet;

Postlude

Liturgist: Meryl Davis

Head Deacons: Deb Cooper & Karin Thompson

Rev. Dr. Murray Joseph Thompson

Music Director: Pamela Carroll

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