

# **TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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## **Order of Worship for 09/13/2020**

Gathering Music

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude –

Opening Prayer in Unison

**Let us worship God, our light and our salvation.**

**The Lord is the stronghold of our lives.**

**We desire to live in God's house**

**and to seek God in his holy temple.**

**We have come with shouts of joy,**

**to sing and to make music to the Lord.**

**Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.**

**Teach us your ways and make straight our paths**

**in this hour of worship and always.**

—based on Psalm 27; John 4:23

**Anthem – I Danced in the Morning**

Call to Confession

The proof of God's amazing love is this:

While we were sinners, Christ died for us.

Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness,

so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Trusting in God's faithfulness and compassion,

let us confess our sin before God and one another.

—based on Romans 5:8; Hebrews 4:16, NRSV

## Prayer of Confession (Unison)

**Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry,  
too real to hide, and too deep to undo.**

**Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no  
longer bear, and what has become for us  
a consuming fire of judgment.**

**Set us free from a past that we cannot change;  
open to us a future in which we can be changed;  
and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and  
image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen**

## Silent Confession

***(A time of silence will be observed for personal confession.)***

## Assurance of Pardon

The Lord is faithful in all his words, and gracious in all his deeds.  
The Lord upholds all who are falling, and raises up all who are  
bowed down.—Psalm 145:13-14, NRSV

## \*Our Response **Gloria Patri**

**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.**

## Sharing Our Faith with Our Children – Jan Hunt

### \*Hymn **Live Into Hope**

**Live into hope of captives freed,  
Of sight regained, the end of greed.  
The oppressed shall be the first to see  
The year of God's own jubilee!**

**Live into hope the blind shall see  
With insight and with clarity,  
Removing shades of pride and fear--  
A vision of our God brought near.**

**Live into hope of liberty,  
The right to speak the right to be,  
The right to have one's daily bread,  
To hear God's word and thus be fed.**

**Live into hope of captives freed  
From chains of fear or want or greed.  
God now proclaims our full release  
To faith and hope and joy and peace.**

### **First Scripture Lesson**

### **Exodus 14:19-31**

14:19 The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them.

14:20 It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so the cloud was there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one did not come near the other all night.

14:21 Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The LORD drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night, and turned the sea into dry land; and the waters were divided.

14:22 The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left.

14:23 The Egyptians pursued, and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh's horses, chariots, and chariot drivers.

14:24 At the morning watch the LORD in the pillar of fire and cloud looked down upon the Egyptian army, and threw the Egyptian army into panic.

14:25 He clogged their chariot wheels so that they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, "Let us flee from the Israelites, for the LORD is fighting for them against Egypt."

14:26 Then the LORD said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea, so that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and chariot drivers."

14:27 So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the LORD tossed the Egyptians into the sea.

14:28 The waters returned and covered the chariots and the chariot drivers, the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea; not one of them remained.

14:29 But the Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left.

14:30 Thus the LORD saved Israel that day from the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore.

14:31 Israel saw the great work that the LORD did against the Egyptians. So the people feared the LORD and believed in the LORD and in his servant Moses.

## **Second Scripture Lesson**

## **Matthew 18:21-35**

18:21 Then Peter came and said to him, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?"

18:22 Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

18:23 "For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves.

18:24 When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him;

18:25 and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made.

18:26 So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.'

18:27 And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt.

18:28 But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.'

18:29 Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.'

18:30 But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt.

18:31 When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place.  
18:32 Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me.  
18:33 Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?'  
18:34 And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt.  
18:35 So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

**Sermon – Rev. Jennifer A. Baer**

**\*Hymn My Hope is Built on Nothing Less**

**My hope is built on nothing less  
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness;  
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,  
But wholly lean on Jesus' name.**

**Refrain:**

**On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;  
All other ground is sinking sand,  
All other ground is sinking sand.**

**When darkness veils His lovely face,  
I rest on His unchanging grace;  
In every high and stormy gale,  
My anchor holds within the veil. [Refrain]**

**His oath, His covenant, His blood  
Support me in the whelming flood;  
When all around my soul gives way,  
He then is all my hope and stay. [Refrain]**

**When He shall come with trumpet sound,  
Oh, may I then in Him be found,  
Dressed in His righteousness alone,  
Faultless to stand before the throne. [Refrain]**

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory –

\*Doxology (Hymn 592)

\*Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

\*Sending Forth and Benediction

\*Choral Response **God Be with You Til We Meet Again**

**God be with you till we meet again,  
By His counsels guide, uphold you,  
With His sheep securely fold you,  
God be with you till we meet again.**

**Refrain:**

**Till we meet, till we meet,  
Till we meet at Jesus' feet;  
Till we meet, till we meet,  
God be with you till we meet again.**

**God be with you till we meet again,  
'Neath His wings protecting hide you,  
Daily manna still divide you,  
God be with you till we meet again. [Refrain]**

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