

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Order of Worship for September 19, 2021

Gathering Music

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude –

Opening Prayer Unison

**With you, gracious God, we move into this time of worship,
grateful that you are never farther than the reach
of our need and our prayer.**

**You who tower over the universe are yet intimately present,
always renewing the face of the earth,
always renewing the faith of your children.**

**Now, in your mercy, make your way past
all that worries and distracts us to lodge in us anew and to
center our small worship on your great glory. Amen.**

Call to Confession

This is the message we have heard from him and declare to you:
God is light; in him there is no darkness at all.

If we claim to have fellowship with him and yet walk in the darkness,
we lie and do not live out 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 all sin.

—1 John 1:5-7, NIV

Prayer of Confession

**Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess
our sinfulness, 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.**

Silent Confession

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

Assurance of Pardon

Hear these comforting words:

If we repent and believe in God's redeeming mercy,
our sins are forgiven.

Trust in God's promises and begin anew our lives
with God and all people in the name of Jesus Christ.

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

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing 334

NETTLETON 8.7.8.7.D.

Robert Robinson, 1758 (1735-1790)

John Wyeth's Respository, 1813



1. Come, Thou Fount of ev - ery bless - ing, Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
2. Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer, Hith - er by Thy help I've come,
3. O, to grace how great a debt - or Dai - ly I'm con - strained to be!



Streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, Call for songs of loud - est praise.
And I hope by Thy good plea - sure Safe - ly to ar - rive at home.
Let Thy good - ness, like a fet - ter, Bind me clos - er still to Thee.



Teach me ev - er to a - dore Thee, May I still Thy good - ness prove,
Je - sus sought me when a strang - er, Wan - dering from the fold of God;
Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love;



While the hope of end - less glo - ry Fills my heart with joy and love.
He to res - cue me from dan - ger In - ter - posed His pre - cious blood.
Here's my heart - O, take and seal it; Seal it for Thy courts a - bove.



¹ Happy are those
 who do not follow the advice
 of the wicked,
or take the path that sinners
 tread,
 or sit in the seat of scoffers;

² **but their delight is in the law of
 the LORD,
 and on his law they meditate
 day and night.**

³ They are like trees
 planted by streams of water,
 which yield their fruit in its
 season,
 and their leaves do not wither.
In all that they do, they prosper.

⁴ **The wicked are not so,
 but are like chaff that the wind
 drives away.**

⁵ Therefore the wicked will not
 stand in the judgment,
 nor sinners in the
 congregation of the righteous;

⁶ **for the LORD watches over the
 way of the righteous,
 but the way of the wicked will perish.**

30 They went on from there and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; ³¹for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again." ³²But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

33 Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" ³⁴But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. ³⁵He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." ³⁶ Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, ³⁷"Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me."

Sermon – **Who is the Greatest?** Rev. Jennifer A. Baer

379 My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

SOLID ROCK LM with refrain

Edward Mote, c. 1834

William Batchelder Bradbury, 1863

1. My hope is built on noth-ing less Than Je - sus' blood and
2. When dark-ness veils His love - ly face, I rest on His un -
3. His oath, His cov - e - nant, His blood Sup - port me in the
4. When He shall come with trum-pet sound, O may I then in

right - teous-ness; I dare not trust the sweet-est frame, But whol-ly
chang-ing grace; In ev - ery high and storm-y gale, My an-chor
whelm-ing flood; When all a-round my soul gives way, He then is
Him be found, Dressed in His right - teous - ness a - lone, Fault - less to

Refrain

lean on Je - sus' name.
holds with - in the veil. On Christ, the sol - id Rock, I stand; All
all my hope and stay.
stand be - fore the throne.

oth - er ground is sink-ing sand, All oth - er ground is sink-ing sand.

Presentation of Tithes and 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. Amen

Prayers of the People & 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 counsels 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;
Till we meet, till we meet,
God be with you till we meet again.**

Postlude

Liturgist: Michael Williams

Head Deacons: Nancy Williams & Nancy Thomas

Pastor: Rev. Jennifer A. Baer

Music Director: Pamela Carroll

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The flowers today are dedicated to the glory of God in memory of our parents: Dorothy & Bob Jones and Ada & Carleton Kocher.

Given by: C. Don & Alice Kocher