



The Good News from Trinity PC

January 17, 2022

Onsite Trinity Worship Services

Trinity is now worshipping on Sundays in the sanctuary.

Session understands that not everyone will be comfortable returning to the building for worship. Therefore, we continue to offer recordings of the worship services.

We also have the capability to provide a video recording of the worship service, that will be live streamed at 10:15 AM or played later at your convenience. (see page 3 for details)

In Case of a Pastoral Emergency

Please Call: Deacons-on-Call:

Ginny Kramer 513-829-4658 or
Joleen Goens 513-858-9815

When the office is closed on Fridays and the weekends, if you have a prayer request, please call Connie Williams at 513-370-7903

Office Open

9:00-2:00 Monday-Thursday

Prayer Requests can be emailed to:
office@trinitypresbyfairfield.org



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Prepare for Worship 3rd Sunday after Epiphany

Psalms 19:1-10, 14

“The heavens are telling the glory of God;
and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.
Day to day pours forth speech,
and night to night declares knowledge.
There is no speech, nor are there words;
their voice is not heard;
yet their voice goes out through all the earth,
and their words to the end of the world. In the
heavens he has set a tent for the sun,
which comes out like a bridegroom from his wedding
canopy,
and like a strong man runs its course with joy.
Its rising is from the end of the heavens,
and its circuit to the end of them;
and nothing is hid from its heat.
The law of the LORD is perfect,
reviving the soul;
the decrees of the LORD are sure,
making wise the simple;
the precepts of the LORD are right,
rejoicing the heart;
the commandment of the LORD is clear,
enlightening the eyes;
the fear of the LORD is pure,
enduring forever;
the ordinances of the LORD are true
and righteous altogether.
More to be desired are they than gold,
even much fine gold;
sweeter also than honey,
and drippings of the honeycomb....
Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of
my heart be acceptable to you,
O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.”

Reflection

How does the Word of God feed your spirit? What do you do daily to nurture and grow in your understanding of the Word of God?

Morning Prayer

Holy One, thank you for the gift of this new day. Help me to stay attentive to your creation and mindful of your teachings as I travel through it. Empower me to see and spread the good news of your grace for all people. Amen.

—adapted from *Feasting on the Word Worship Companion: Liturgies for Year C, Volume 1* © 2012 Westminster John Knox Press



In His Word I Hope

Every January, many Christians resolve to read the entire Bible in one year. That’s a worthy goal, but God doesn’t require us to read a certain number of verses or chapters per day. Instead, he tells us to simply be in his Word — and thus be with him — so he can grow our faith, light our path and assure us of his love and forgiveness. God’s Word is a precious gift, but we need to “unwrap” it!

F. B. Meyer offers this helpful advice for a new year of discovering (and rediscovering!) Scripture: “Read the Bible, not as a newspaper, but as a home letter. If a cluster of heavenly fruit hangs within reach, gather it. If a promise lies upon the page as a blank check, cash it. If a prayer is recorded, appropriate it and launch it as a feathered arrow from the bow of your desire. If an example of holiness gleams before you, ask God to do as much for you. If the truth is revealed ... entreat that its brilliance may ever irradiate ... your life.”

There is a prayer regarding the Bible written by Thomas Cranmer for the Anglican Prayer Book (Book of Common Prayer). The prayer is, as we might expect, in Old English, yet it is understandable and helpful today. Here it is:

“Blessed Lord, who hast caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant that we may in such wise hear them, read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them, that by patience, and comfort of thy Holy Word, we may embrace, and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which thou hast given us in our Savior Jesus Christ. AMEN.”

Sermons Online and on YouTube

For those that do not attend in person, Trinity is offering on-line services live streaming at 10:15 on YouTube. To watch the video live, click on the link below which will direct you to the Trinity YouTube channel, and then click on the video in the displayed list with the LIVE box illuminated. We strongly encourage you to click the "subscribe" link on that page.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCn4Bfx9UtjiaWsrxObnly6g>

On Sunday afternoon, the recorded live service is also available via link through the Trinity website at the link: <https://www.trinitypresbyfairfield.org/sermons/>

Men's Bible Study Starting on January 11

A Men's Bible Study will begin on Tuesday, January 11. The men will gather in the Meeting Room at noon on Tuesdays. If you are interested, please contact Keith Harring at 513-829-8437 or email: harring@fuse.net.

Women's Group Meeting

The Women's Group will have a brown bag meeting on Wednesday, January 26 at noon.

Mission Committee –will meet on the last Sunday of each month. Their next meeting is on Sunday, January 30.

Cards for Glenn

Glenn Mojzer is in Jewish Hospital until approximately February 1, as he undergoes a bone marrow transplant. He is also feeling the effects of the chemo and would appreciate your cards and prayers. Glenn's hospital address is:

Glenn Mojzer, The Jewish Hospital - Mercy Health, Room 3513, 4777 E. Galbraith Rd., Cincinnati, OH 45236

Bell Choir and Vocal Choir

The Bell Choir and the Vocal Choir will have different practice times in January. The Bell Choir will meet at 7:00 PM followed by the Vocal Choir at 7:45 PM.

Book Club

In January, the Book Club will be reading *The Children's Blizzard* by Melanie Benjamin. They will meet on Monday, January 31, to discuss this book .

Kentucky Tornado Information

If you want to contribute to the Kentucky Tornado Relief. Checks can be sent to: Presbyterian Church (USA), P.O. Box 643700, Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700K. Make the check out to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance and note: designate gifts to DR000015. For more information, please see pcusa.org.

New Address—Megan Field and Charles Obeng: 5031 Cavendish Dr., Liberty Twp. OH 45044-1272

No Fellowship Coffees

During the month of January there will be no fellowship coffees due to the increased cases of Covid in our area.

What is Per Capita?

The Per Capita assessment for 2022 remains at \$33 per member. "Per Capita is crucial to the overall health of the PC (USA), because it binds presbyteries, synods, and congregations together in one church."— J. Herbert Nelson, II, Stated Clerk of the General Assembly of the PC (USA)

The session pays per capita quarterly to the Presbytery. Without this purposeful giving these funds come out of Trinity's yearly budget, which makes it difficult for Trinity to meet specific needs of our church. Please contribute this purposeful giving of \$33 per member and make checks out to *Trinity Presbyterian Church* and, in the notation line, put *Per Capita*.

THE GOOD NEWS

As of January 16

Keep in your Prayers

Family of Dick Dunlap, Rev. Dunlap's brother	Bereavement/loss of Dick
Margie, Fran Thomas's sister	Comfort and peace/in hospice care
Christi Johnson, Debbie's daughter	Save and fruitful mission trip to Guatemala
David, Ed and Eileen Dyer's son	Continued healing and good recovery/heart attack
Dan Horlander, E. Campbell's request	Healing/hospitalized/possible heart attack
Kitty Kerestan, K. Evert request	Healing/cancer surgery/removal of one lung
Justin, D. Kosey's grandson	Healing/heart concerns
Keith Harring	Joy/celebrating Pam's birthday/all the joys of heaven
Gerry Miller, D. Schuler's brother	Healing/complications with knee replacement
Glenn Mojzer	Healing/successful transplant
Betty Liles	Healing/recovery surgery/knee replacement
Karen Evert	Healing/tooth implant/pain relief
Drew, Debi Hess' son	Healing body and mind/heart issues
Johnathan Wiggins	Healing/ear and hearing problems
Susan, D. Kosey's cousin	Healing/invasive cancer
*Diane Niehaus, Brenda Luebbe request	Healing/hospitalized
For all suffering from KY tornadoes	God's comfort and providence
Kim Whitney, K. Kessler's daughter	Continued healing/diverticulitis/other concerns
Jean Parsley	Continued healing
Gerald Reese, M. Reese's father	Continued healing/swallowing problems
All peoples in the Middle East	Peace and reconciliation
All Elected Government leaders	Wisdom/support/enlightenment
Support for all our military	Strength/discernment/God's protection
For all missionaries (Especially for S. and B.)	Protection/blessings/fruitful mission work

Names that have been on the Prayer List for more than 4 weeks are marked with an asterisk ().
If you would like them to remain on the list, please contact the office by Tuesday.*

Please include in your prayers all the requests we receive from the community on our website.

The link is : <https://www.trinitypresbyfairfield.org/prayer-wall/>

Financial Information

Donations Received on 1/16 \$664

Per Capita 2022 paid \$66

(2 members paid)

Per Capita for 2022 remains at \$33

Attendance Jan. 16 33

Worship Schedule

Jan. 23 Rev. Kate Mauch

Jan. 30 Rev. Tom Dunlap

Feb. 6 Rev. Kate Mauch

Feb. 13 Rev. Tom Dunlap

The Presbytery of Cincinnati publishes a weekly newsletter called "The Cincinnati Sampler." To subscribe to The Sampler go to: <https://www.presbteryofcincinnati.org> and click on "Sign Up For The Sampler" at the bottom right corner of the page.

With God's Help

No matter how firm our resolutions, we can't make ourselves better people *by ourselves*. God empowers our good works when we rely on his aid. H. P. Nichols, a 19th-century poet, wrote:

If I resolve, with the new year, a better child to be,
'Twill do no good at all, I fear, but rather harm to me,
Unless I try, with every day, no angry word to speak;
Unless, each morn, to God I pray to keep me mild and meek.
Then let me try with all my might, and may God help me too,
Always to choose the way that's right, whatever act I do.



Elders	Class Year—Term Expires	Deacons	Class Year
Linda North	2022	Joleen Goens	2022
George Fraley	2022	Jennifer Reese	2022
Cindie Postell	2022	Ginny Kramer	2023
Barb Pratt	2023	Valentine Nyamusa	2023
Kurt Schuler	2023	Ethel Bime	2024
Wilson Tayong	2023	Allison Schuler	2024
Emmanuel Bime	2024		
Donna Schuler	2024		



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A fresh start

Baptism is a blessing because it changes us and gives us hope.

Directions: Write the boxed letters in the squares below. Then unscramble those letters to form two words that complete the Bible verse and represent the gift of baptism.



We were therefore buried with him
through baptism into death in order that,
just as Christ was raised from the dead
through the glory of the Father,
we too may live a _____.

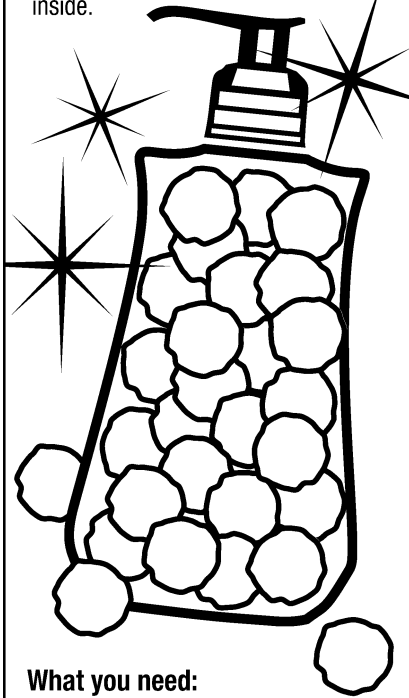
Romans 6:4, NIV

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Answer: f i e l e w n y new life

Washed Clean

Decorate a soap bottle as a reminder of how baptism cleans us on the inside.



What you need:

- Bottle of clear liquid hand soap
- Small craft pompoms (different colors)
- Wooden skewer

What you do:

1. Remove the bottle label and unscrew the lid.
2. Using the skewer, push pompoms down into the soap one at a time.
3. Replace the lid and put the dispenser in a bathroom or kitchen.

Onsite Worship Protocols for 2021

Trinity continues its onsite worship services with relaxed safety protocols. Below are the updated protocols for the Sunday morning worship service applicable through August 2021:

Preparations for the Trinity building and personal behavioral expectations include:

Thorough cleaning on a regular basis, with frequently touched surfaces being sanitized. Middle and side entry doors to the sanctuary will be propped open and will remain open for the entire worship service (minimizes touch contact with the door handles and increases ventilation within the sanctuary).

Bottles of liquid hand sanitizer will continue to be available for use in the narthex. The water fountains outside the restrooms will remain unplugged and covered on Sunday morning. Please bring your own personal water containers or bottles. No food or beverages will be offered on Sunday morning.

During Sunday morning worship the wearing of a face mask or covering is optional for those who have been fully vaccinated. A small number of face masks will be available on the narthex table for those who feel more comfortable wearing a face mask during worship,

If on Sunday morning you are experiencing a fever (in excess of 100.4°F), coughing, shortness of breath or other symptoms potentially indicating COVID-19 infection, please refrain from attending onsite worship on that morning.

The worship service itself will continue to be a little different than what we were accustomed to in pre-pandemic times. The revised worship service characteristics will be:

We anticipate that our Sunday morning onsite worship attendance is likely to increase with the relaxation of CDC safety guidelines. To the degree possible with the increased attendance, individuals and family groups should attempt to find seating in the pews while maintaining social distancing.

Bulletins in the traditional format will be printed and available for all attending the onsite worship service. These printed bulletins will not be distributed by ushers but will be available for pickup on the information table positioned in the center of the narthex.

The narthex information table will also display copies of the weekly Communicator, information on upcoming special offerings and mission events, as well as prayer request slips and offering envelopes, with pencils to assist in filling in those forms. Completed prayer request forms and offering envelopes can then be deposited in offering baskets located at the sanctuary entry doors.

Hymnals, Bibles, pencils and attendance pads will still be absent from the sanctuary pews. Hymnals and Bibles will be available in the narthex on a cart. Worshippers are requested to return the hymnals and Bibles to the cart at the conclusion of the worship service.

There will be no vocal choir performances until September. Vocal and instrumental solos, performed from the dais, will continue, as well as the periodic performances of Trinity's hand chime choir from the front of the sanctuary. Congregational singing of the hymns is permitted.

During the summer there will be no children's sermon or children's Sunday school classes, so children will remain with their families during worship. No nursery attendants will be provided, so use of the nursery room will be limited to parents and their children, as necessary. **(Our intention is to resume our children's programs in September.)**

There will be no collection of offering during the service. Offerings will be deposited in the offering baskets located at the sanctuary entry doors.

On Communion Sundays (first Sunday of the month) servers will not be distributing the communion elements. Trinity has a supply of prepackaged communion "kits", each with a wafer and sealed juice cup, which will be placed on tray tables near the sanctuary entry doors, to be picked up by worshippers when entering the sanctuary. **(Our intention is to return to communion element distribution in September.)**

Following the benediction and postlude, after-worship socializing is permitted in the sanctuary or narthex.