

Trinity Presbyterian Church + *Worship at Home*

October 4th, 2020 - 10 a.m.

The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

The church is a colony, an island of one culture in the middle of another. In baptism our citizenship is transferred from one dominion to another, and we become, in whatever culture we find ourselves, resident aliens.

— Stanley Hauerwas and William H. Willimon
Resident Aliens: Life in the Christian Colony

Call to Worship

Give thanks to the LORD for he is good; his love endures forever. [Psalm 118:29 (NIV)]

PRAISE

Hymn **Ten Thousand Reasons** — music on pages 2-3

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Ten Thousand Reasons

Chords: A^b E^b B^b/D C^m A^b E^b B^b_{sus} B^b

Refrain E^b A^b E^b B^b/D C^m

Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul;

A^b E^b B^b_{sus} B^b A^b C^m

wor-ship his ho - ly name. Sing like nev - er be-fore,

A^b B^b C^m A^b B^b A^b/E^b E^b

Last time to Coda

O my soul; I'll wor-ship your ho - ly name.

A^b/E^b E^b A^b E^b B^b C^m

1 The sun comes up, it's a new day dawn-ing; —
 2 You're rich in love, and you're slow to an - ger. Your
 3 And on that day when my strength is fail - ing, the

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A^b E^b B^b Cm A^b
 7 it's time to sing your song a - gain. What - ev - er may
 name is great, and your heart is kind. For all your
 end draws near, and my time has come; 7 still, my

E^b B^b Cm A^b
 pass, and what - ev - er lies be - fore me, let me be
 good-ness, I will keep on sing-ing— ten thou-sand
 soul will sing your praise un - end-ing— ten thou-sand

E^b B^b_{sus} B^b E^b *To Refrain*
 sing - ing when the eve - ning comes.
 rea - sons for my heart to find.
 years and then for - ev - er - more!

Coda Cm A^b B^b
 wor-ship your ho - ly name,

Cm A^b B^b E^b
 wor-ship your ho - ly name.

Prayer of Adoration (concluded by the following prayer in unison)

**Almighty God,
you have made us for yourself,
and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you:
Pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself,
and so bring us at last to your heavenly city
where we shall see you face to face;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Doxology

**All ye who are of tender heart,
Forgiving others take your part.
Sing his praises. Alleluia!
Ye who long pain and sorrow bear,
Praise God and on him cast your care.
O praise him! O praise him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Let all things their Creator bless,
And worship him in humbleness.
O praise him. Alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
And praise the Spirit, Three in One.
O praise him! O praise him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

RENEWAL

Confession of Sin (unison)

O God of all grace, we confess that we are sinners, but in Christ you have given us a Savior. Produce in us a faith to live by him, to make him our desire, our hope, our glory. Preserve us by his grace from this present evil world, so that its smiles never allure us, its frowns never terrify us, its vices never defile us, its errors never delude us. Cause us to live as strangers and pilgrims in the cities of this earth, knowing that our true citizenship is in the city of heaven, so that all we do may be done to the Savior's glory; in whose name we pray. Amen.

Private Confession

Words of Encouragement & Declaration of Pardon

Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name. Praise the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits—who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit and crowns you with love and compassion. [Psalm 103:1-4 (NIV)]

Words of Welcome

Minister: The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People: **And also with you.**

Announcements start on page 9.

Hymn **Fill Me Now** — music on pages 5-6

Fill Me Now

Words and Music by
Michael Hansen and Christina Peppin

♩ = 78 VERSE

C G/B Am G/B

1. Hov - er o - ver, Ho - ly Spir - it. Bathe my tremb - ling heart and brow.
 2. In my - self I'm full of weak - ness. Can You use this life some - how?
 3. Just one life I have for liv - ing. In Your ser - vice send me out.

5 C G/B Am G C C/E

Fill me with Your awe - some pres - ence. Come, oh come, and fill me now.
 Cleanse and com - fort, heal and teach _ me. Come, oh come, and fill me now.
 Source of love, of faith and pow - er. Come, oh come, and fill me now.

§ CHORUS

9 F G Am F G^{sus} G F C Am G

Fill me __ now, fill me now. __ Spir - it come _ and fill me __ now.

13 F G Am F G^{sus} G F C

Fill me __ now, fill me now. __ Spir - it come _ and fill me now.

INSTRUMENTAL 1

17 F G Am F G F C G C

fill me now.

INSTRUMENTAL 2

22 C G/B Am

25 G/B C G/B

28 Am G G/B C 3.
G C C/E D.S.
fill me now.

31 4. G C F C G C
fill me now. Spir - it come — and fill me now.

ENDING

34 F G Am F G^{sus} G F C G C

COMMITMENT

Prayers of the People (led by Pastor Higgins)

Scripture Lesson: 1 Peter 1:1-2 (read by Hudson Blackburn)

¹Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ,

To the exiles of the Dispersion in Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia, ²who have been chosen and destined by God the Father and sanctified by the Spirit to be obedient to Jesus Christ and to be sprinkled with his blood:

May grace and peace be yours in abundance. [NRSV]

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Since we cannot gather for Holy Communion, we join in an act of *spiritual communion*, trusting in our Lord's blessings & love in this present crisis.

Dear Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Communion. I love you above all things, and I desire to possess you within my soul. And since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you, together with all your faithful people, and I embrace you with all the affections of my soul. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer (unison)

**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 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 and ever. Amen.

Hymn I Love Your Church, O Lord — music on page 8

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I Love Your Church, O Lord

1 I love your church, O Lord! Her saints be - fore you stand,
 2 Be - yond my high - est joy I prize her heaven - ly ways,
 3 I love your church, O God, the peo - ple you have called,

dear as the ap - ple of your eye and grav - en on your hand.
 her sweet com - mu - nion, sol - emn vows, her hymns of love and praise.
 the church our blest Re - deem - er saved with his own pre - cious blood.

Benediction & Dismissal

Minister: All our problems...

People: we send to the cross of Christ.

Minister: All our difficulties...

People: we send to the cross of Christ.

Minister: All the devil's works...

People: we send to the cross of Christ.

Minister: All our hopes...

People: we set on the risen Christ.

Minister: Christ the Sun of righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path: and the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

People: Amen.

—from the Anglican Church of Kenya

Leader: Let us go forth to serve the world as those who love our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!

People: Thanks be to God!

Postlude His Eye Is on the Sparrow — Charles H. Gabriel/Tammy Lum

WORSHIP ARTISTS

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TAMMY LUM - PIANO
JORDAN WILHELM - VOICE

ALETHEA WILHELM - VOICE

Trinity Church Announcements

CELEBRATING CHRIST, SERVING OUR COMMUNITIES

TODAY

The Season after Pentecost—sometimes called the “long green season” (because of the color of church vestments)—lasts through the summer into the fall. This is a time to pray for the growth and the mission of the church.

Clergy Appreciation Month. October is Clergy Appreciation Month, and next Sunday, October 11, is Clergy Appreciation Day. Please take the time to give a word of encouragement and thanksgiving for your pastors, and please pray for them *every day!*

Healing Prayer, Sundays at 11:30 on Zoom. Next Healing Prayer Service: November 1st

“Blessing of the Animals” October 4th at 1pm at the church offices. Although we plan to use this as an outreach event in the future, we know that many families at Trinity Presbyterian have been blessed with pets who have been a real source of joy during these past months of COVID. So, we are planning to have a time to give thanks to God for these gifts as we gather at the church offices and then for the pastors to give treats to our furry friends! So, if you have a cat or a dog (you can bring a goldfish in a bag if you think that's safe), please come to this short liturgy and chance to gather together.

Children’s Book Club via Zoom: We are now reading “Prince Caspian” from The Chronicles of Narnia. For more information on children’s participation, you can contact our Director of Children’s Ministry, Chloe Nevill, by using our Contact form on our church website, www.trinitychurchny.com.

A Questioning Faith: Good Theology Welcomes Honest Questions. Pastor Higgins has often taught that no honest question should ever be swept under the rug! That is why he is offering a series of short (20-30 minute) conversations with pastors, theologians, and other thought leaders, which are available (on video or audio) podcast-style through Trinity Church’s Instagram page. If there’s something you’ve often wanted to ask—about the Christian faith & its practical ramifications in the real world—contact Pastor Higgins, CraigHiggins@trinitychurch.cc.

Children's Sunday School Class on Zoom at 8:45 a.m. Parents need to email ChloeNevill@trinitychurch.cc to get on the Children's Ministry parents email list, and get access to the Trinity Children's Ministry Facebook group to learn more. **PLEASE NOTE: there is no childcare provided for the Outdoor Services.**

Fourtify Class via Zoom at 8:45 a.m. (same time as the children's Sunday School class on Zoom.) Students from 4th-8th grade are invited to join for a brief "Fourtify" time with Pastor Magneson. We will meet on Zoom for games, discussion, and a quick introduction to the Sunday sermon. For students to attend, email Pastor Magneson for the Zoom link, SteveMagneson@trinitychurch.cc.

Adult Christian Education Classes Starting Soon. This fall, the focus of our church life will be "Loving Our Neighbors". *How do we find new ways to get to know those who live around us? And how might we, as a church, become more and more outward-focussed as we share our lives and our faith with our neighbors?* As Pastor Craig is doing a sermon series centered on concepts found in the book "The Art of Neighboring", Pastor Mark will begin an in-depth six week course on the book beginning the week of the 20th. We also plan to have some church-wide outreach events based on these materials, so we encourage as many of you as possible to join us for this online course. Please sign up using the link in the newsletter and you can order the book on [Amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com) for the course.

Prayer Focus for Early Fall. Now through October, we ask you to pray for the following:

- Continue to pray for all affected by the novel coronavirus pandemic, especially the sick, the suffering, and all those who care for them. Pray for the development of treatments and vaccines; pray for *deliverance!*
- Pray for campus ministries, such as InterVarsity Christian Fellowship, Coalition for Christian Outreach, Reformed University Fellowship, and others; for Christian study centers, such as Chesterton House at Cornell University; for Christian colleges & universities; and for the students from this church—especially as education has been affected by the pandemic.
- Pray for all followers of Jesus Christ to live out the values of God's kingdom in our work & vocations.
- Pray for all military & civilian chaplains, specifically for Army Chaplain Tim Fary & his family & their ministry to soldiers at Fort Bragg.

COMING UP

SERMON SCHEDULE (*subject to change as we deal with the pandemic*)

NOTE: Brief homilies will be given at the outdoor services. For the full sermon on the same text, visit the audio & video recordings on the webpage.

October 11. 1 Peter 1:3-12. "Everyday Church, pt. 2." Pastor Magneson preaching

October 18. 1 Peter 1:13-2:8. "Everyday Community, pt. 1." Pastor Higgins preaching

October 25. Reformation Day. 1 Peter 2:9-3:7. "Everyday Community, pt. 2." Pastor Higgins preaching

EVENTS & COMMUNITY

Women in the Word is a long-running series of biblical teaching engagements for women, sponsored by the World Reformed Fellowship. Normally held in the Philadelphia area, this year's conference is ONLINE, featuring Rosemarie Green on Romans 8 and "The Transformative Love of the Father." For more information or to register, visit www.womeninthewordworkshop.org.

Turkey Drive. We would love to have every family at Trinity Church provide enough to support a needy family in Westchester this Thanksgiving! There are many families struggling during this difficult year in our own community, and need our help! Please sign up to bring one Turkey and a bag or box of canned goods on **Friday, November 6th**. You can drop them off at the church office during the day, or join us at the Hillside distribution center in Elmsford that evening! If you are intending to support this effort, please sign up through a link provided in the e-newsletter.

Ways to Give:

- **We encourage giving online** through our secure website link on our church website: <https://www.trinitychurchny.com/giving/>. Or, through our mobile app, *TrinityChurchNY*. Your faithful giving is not only an act of worship but is much appreciated by the Trinity Church leadership as we desire to continue ministry no matter what adjustments are necessary to meet current challenges. **If giving by check, mail it to the church office at 526 Anderson Hill Rd, Purchase, NY 10577.**
- **COVID-19 Support** - On our church website, www.trinitychurchny.com, you will find a link labeled "COVID-19 Update" which is a letter from our pastors encouraging us all to be there for one another, and to assist you in doing so that we might BE the church God intends us to be. There are links to forms to Give Help (volunteer) and Get Help (specify a need).

Two Steps in Prayer for the Trinity Church Vision Campaign

1. Prayer for God's timing as to when we might be released from our pause in the Vision Campaign and how we might resume it.
2. The offices will be closed, but we do encourage individual families to prayer walk the property, while maintaining proper social-distancing practices, during our pause. Please contact Pastor Mark at MarkSwanson@trinitychurch.cc, if you are interested or have any questions.

Ways to Connect:

- **Website:** www.TrinityChurchNY.com
- **Facebook:** Trinity Presbyterian Church NY
- **Facebook Group:** Trinity People Staying In Touch
- **Instagram:** TrinityChurchNY
- **Church Mobile App:** TrinityChurchNY
- **Community Groups:** via video-conferencing. To join one, use our website Contact Form.
- **Prayer Team Support:** You can submit a prayer request using our mobile app or contact form on our website. Our Prayer Team would be pleased to pray for you.
- **Pastoral Care:** Call the church office 914-967-6247 and choose from the voice menu who you wish to speak to, or use the church website contact form and your request will be forwarded.
- **Newsletters:** to be added to the mailing list, use the church website Contact Form.