

Trinity Presbyterian Church + *Worship at Home*

November 22nd, 2020 - 10 a.m.

The Last Sunday after Pentecost:

Christ the King

The gift of righteousness demands the obligation of righteousness. Justification as a work of God alone requires justice and mercy for the naked and hungry.

— Harvie M. Conn

Bible Studies on World Evangelization & the Simple Lifestyle

Call to Worship

Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song. For the LORD is the great God, the great King above all gods. [Psalm 95:1-3 (NIV)]

PRAISE

Hymn **Crown Him with Many Crowns** — music is found on page

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The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of two systems of music. The first system has a treble clef and a bass clef. The treble clef part has a melody with lyrics underneath. The bass clef part has a bass line. The second system also has a treble clef and a bass clef. The treble clef part has a melody with lyrics underneath. The bass clef part has a bass line. Chord symbols are placed above the treble clef part of each system.

Chord symbols for the first system: D, Bm, G, D, A7/E, D, A.

Chord symbols for the second system: D, Bm, E, A, Esus, E, A.

Lyrics for the first system:
1 Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne; Hark!
2 Crown him the Lord of life, who tri-umphed o'er the grave, who
3 Crown him the Lord of love; be - hold his hands and side, rich
4 Crown him the Lord of years, the po - ten - tate of time, cre -

Lyrics for the second system:
how the heaven-ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own;
rose vic - to - rious in the strife for those he came to save;
wounds, yet vi - si - ble a - bove, in beau - ty glo - ri - fied;
a - tor of the rol - ling spheres, in - ef - fa - bly sub - lime.

a - wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee
his glo - ries now we sing who died and reigns on high,
no an - gels in the sky can ful - ly bear that sight,
All hail, Re - deem - er, hail! for thou hast died for me;

and hail him as thy match-less King through all e - ter - ni - ty.
who died e - ter - nal life to bring, and lives that death may die.
but down-ward bend their burn - ing eyes at mys - ter - ies so bright.
thy praise shall nev - er, nev - er fail through-out e - ter - ni - ty.

Words: sts. 1, 3, 4 Matthew Bridge, 1851; st. 2 Godfrey Thring, 1874, alt., P.D.
Music (DIADEMATA 6.6.8.6 D): George J. Elvey, 1868, P.D.

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

**Almighty and everlasting God,
whose will it is to restore all things
in your well-beloved Son,
the King of kings and Lord of lords:
Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth,
divided and enslaved by sin,
may be freed and brought together
under his most gracious rule;
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. 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)

Almighty God, you have raised Jesus from death to life and crowned him Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before him, and we have not acknowledged his rule in our lives. We have conformed to the ways of the world, and we have failed to give Christ glory. Forgive us, we pray, and by your Spirit empower us to live as your faithful people, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ, the King of kings and Lord of lords, who rules over all things and who is head of his body, the church. It is in his name that we pray. Amen.

Private Confession

Words of Encouragement & Declaration of Pardon

For [God] has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. [Colossians 1:13-14 (NIV)]

Words of Welcome

Minister: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

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Hymn Give Thanks — music on page

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The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). It consists of two systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The first system has a vocal line with lyrics: "Give thanks with a grate-ful heart, give thanks to the Ho-ly One;" and a piano accompaniment line. The second system has a vocal line with lyrics: "give thanks be-cause he's giv-en Je-sus Christ, his Son." and a piano accompaniment line. Chord symbols are placed above the vocal line: C7, F, C/E, Dm, Am in the first system; and Bb, F, Eb, C9 in the second system.

C Am Dm7 Gm7 C7
 And now let the weak say, "I am strong!" let the poor say, "I am
 Fmaj7 Dm7 Eb 1 C9
 rich be-cause of what the Lord has done for us!"
 2 C9 *Optional D.C.* 3 C9 *Last time* F Bb F
 us. us. Give thanks.

Words and Music (GIVE THANKS): Henry Smith (b. 1952) © 1978 Integrity's Hosanna! Music (ASCAP), admin. EMICMGPublishing.com

COMMITMENT

A Litany of Thanksgiving

Response: We give you thanks, O God our Father, for your mercy endures forever.

Scripture Lesson: Matthew 25:31-46 (Read by Linda Carriri)

³¹[Jesus said,] "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his glorious throne. ³²All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. ³³He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left.

³⁴"Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. ³⁵For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, ³⁶I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.'

³⁷"Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? ³⁸When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? ³⁹When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?'

⁴⁰“The King will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.’

⁴¹“Then he will say to those on his left, ‘Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. ⁴²For I was hungry and you gave me nothing to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, ⁴³I was a stranger and you did not invite me in, I needed clothes and you did not clothe me, I was sick and in prison and you did not look after me.’

⁴⁴“They also will answer, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or needing clothes or sick or in prison, and did not help you?’

⁴⁵“He will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me.’

⁴⁶“Then they will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life.” [NIV]

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“THE LEAST OF THESE”

Pastor Higgins

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 Let All Things Now Living — music on pages 6-7

5 Let All Things Now Living

Descant

2 Ah, O sun in its

C F Gm7 C F

1 Let all things now liv-ing a song of thanks - giv-ing to God the Cre -
2 His law he en - forc-es; the stars in their cours-es and sun in its

or - bit o - be - dient-ly shine. Ah,

B^b F/C C7 F C F

a - tor tri - um-phat - ly raise, who fash-ioned and made us, pro -
or - bit o - be - dient - ly shine; the hills and the moun - tains, the

the deeps of the o - cean pro - claim him di - vine.

Gm7 C F B^b F/C C7 F

tect-ed and stayed us, who guides us and leads to the end of our days.
riv - ers and foun-tains, the deeps of the o - cean pro-claim him di - vine.

Words: Katherine K. Davis, 1939, P.D.
Music (ASH GROVE 6.6.11.6.6.11 D): Welsh; desc. Katherine K. Davis © 1939, 1966 E.C. Schirmer Music Co.

Re - joice, re - joice! With glad ad - o -

ra - tion a song let us raise. Ah, _____
 fire shin - ing forth in the night, till shad - ows have van - ished and
 ra - tion a song let us raise, till all things now liv - ing u -

_____ to God in the high - est, ho - san - na and praise!
 dark - ness is ban - ished, as for - ward we trav - el from light in - to light.
 nite in thanks - giv - ing; to God in the high - est, ho - san - na and praise!

Benediction & Dismissal

Minister: May God, who has given us, in the lives of his saints, patterns of holy living and victorious dying, strengthen your faith and devotion and enable you to bear witness to the truth against all adversity; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you now and forever.

People: Amen.

Leader: Go in peace, in the knowledge of God's power; go in confidence, in the knowledge of God's strength; go in joy, in the knowledge of God's love.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

Postlude Crown Him With Many Crowns — George J. Elvey Arr. by Gina Sprunger

WORSHIP ARTISTS

Thank you for sharing your gifts and talents with Trinity Church. We appreciate all that your music has contributed to our worship. Copyrighted songs are covered under CCLI #1250499 and CCS #11071.

TAMMY LUM - PIANO

ALETHEA WILHELM - VOICE

JORDAN WILHELM - VOICE

Trinity Church Announcements

CELEBRATING CHRIST, SERVING OUR COMMUNITIES

TODAY

Christ the King. The Last Sunday after Pentecost—the last Sunday of the church's liturgical year—celebrates that the crucified and risen Jesus is the Messiah of Israel and the true King of all the nations, calling us to live for him in every area of life. White, the color of joy and festivity, is used as we celebrate the loving reign of our Savior and King.

Virtual Rye Interfaith Thanksgiving Prayer Service, TODAY at 3pm on Youtube. The video link will be shared via email.

International Month of Prayer for Global Missions. Christians across the world are praying throughout the month of November for the task of global evangelization—of taking the good news of Jesus, in word & deed, to every community on earth.

- For protection for the witness of missionaries around the world, especially for team unity, protection from the attacks of the evil one, and for vibrant relationships with God; and
- for resources, especially for financial support, for an increase of missionaries, for vibrant prayer support, and for the power of the Holy Spirit.
- November 8 was the **International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church**. Please pray especially for our suffering sisters & brothers & for all who minister to them, and for all those who take the Good News to the nations.
- Last Sunday was **Global Missions Sunday**. Please pray for all those who take the Good News to the nations.
- Of course, we also 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!*

COMING UP

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

NOTE: Briefer homilies will be given at the in-person services. For the full sermon on the same text, visit the audio & video recordings on the webpage.

November 29. Advent Sunday. New series begins: *Emmanuel: God With Us*. John 1:1-18. "The Word Became Flesh." Homily by Pastor Higgins

December 6. John 1:1-18. "And Made His Dwelling Among Us." Homily by Pastor Higgins

December 13. John 1:1-18. "We Have Seen His Glory." Homily by Pastor Higgins

EVENTS & COMMUNITY

In the latest installment of "A Questioning Faith," Pastor Higgins interviews Chris Lawrence, who serves with InnerChange, a global, ecumenical order of Christians journeying with the world's poor. Chris and his wife, Naomi, an artist, live in East Harlem with their four children. The next one (scheduled to be recorded on Thursday) is with Kathy Purdy, executive director of Hillside Food Outreach, a Westchester-based ministry to those facing hunger and food insecurity. Trinity Church has a long-standing partnership with Hillside.

New to Trinity Church? Don't Miss December 7! On Monday, December 7, from 7-9pm, Pastor Higgins, joined by other staff, will be hosting a Virtual Newcomers' Reception, followed by An Introduction to Trinity Church, a teaching time that covers our theology, mission, & ministry—and which is required for becoming an official member or covenant partner of Trinity Church. This will all take place on Zoom. Information on how to sign up will be available in the newsletter. Contact Pastor Higgins if you have questions.

Membership & Baptisms. If you are interested in becoming an official member (covenant partner) of Trinity Church, and/or if you are seeking baptism (for yourself or a child), please let one of the pastors know. Thank you!

Healing Prayer, Sundays at 11:30 on Zoom. Next Healing Prayer Service: December 6

Virtual Christmas Pageant. Exciting news! Children's Ministry is putting together a Virtual Christmas Pageant to share with our Trinity community this year! Beautiful artwork and Scripture readings supplied by our talented children will be compiled to create a montage video to tell the story of the birth of Jesus. We are busy working and preparing to share this with you all in December. We hope it lifts your hearts in celebration this Advent season!

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).

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.

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.