

Trinity Presbyterian Church
February 8, 2026



GATHERING

We gather as the body of Christ to encounter God in worship.

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| Prelude | Jaron Marcus, piano |
| Welcome and Announcements | Jurahee Shriver |
| Introit | “Give Me Jesus” Arr. Lloyd Larson Trinity Handbell Choir |

Call to Worship

Praise the Lord! Happy are those who delight in the Lord!

We come to this place, where generations before us have gathered.

Here we remember the light of God that shines in our lives.

Here we allow God’s light to shine through us.

Let us worship our radiant God.

Praise the Lord!

Happy are we who delight in the Lord!

Prayer of the Day

*Hymn No. 65

“Guide me, O Thou Great Jehovah”

Call to Confession

**Merciful God, forgive us when we ignore you
or your lessons for our lives.**

**Forgive us for allowing oppression and discord
to flourish.**

Forgive us for not feeding those who are hungry.

**Forgive us for not providing shelter
to those who have no place to lay down at night.**

**Forgive us for not repairing the broken places
in our community.**

**O Lord, forgive us and then help us
do your work of bringing about justice and healing.**

**Shine your light through us,
so that all may come to know your abundant love.**

Amen.

(Time for silent confession.)

Assurance of Forgiveness

Rev. Meredith Kemp-Pappan

*Sung Response GTG 490 v. 3 only "Wash, O God, Your Sons and Daughters"

THE WORD

*The Word of God in scripture and interpreted in proclamation is the center of
worship.*

Sermon on the Steps

Bev Thompson

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading

Isaiah 58: 1-12

NRSVUE

Shout out; do not hold back!

Lift up your voice like a trumpet!

Announce to my people their rebellion,
to the house of Jacob their sins.

Yet day after day they seek me
and delight to know my ways,

as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness
and did not forsake the ordinance of their God;

they ask of me righteous judgments;

they want God on their side.

"Why do we fast, but you do not see?"

Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?”
Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day
and oppress all your workers.
You fast only to quarrel and to fight
and to strike with a wicked fist.
Such fasting as you do today
will not make your voice heard on high.
Is such the fast that I choose,
a day to humble oneself?
Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush
and to lie in sackcloth and ashes?
Will you call this a fast,
a day acceptable to the LORD?
Is not this the fast that I choose:
to loose the bonds of injustice,
to undo the straps of the yoke,
to let the oppressed go free,
and to break every yoke?
Is it not to share your bread with the hungry
and bring the homeless poor into your house;
when you see the naked, to cover them
and not to hide yourself from your own kin?
Then your light shall break forth like the dawn,
and your healing shall spring up quickly;
your vindicator shall go before you;
the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard.
Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer;
you shall cry for help, and he will say, “Here I am.”
If you remove the yoke from among you,
the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,
if you offer your food to the hungry
and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,
then your light shall rise in the darkness
and your gloom be like the noonday.
The LORD will guide you continually
and satisfy your needs in parched places
and make your bones strong,
and you shall be like a watered garden,
like a spring of water
whose waters never fail.
Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt;
you shall raise up the foundations of many generations;
you shall be called the repairer of the breach,
the restorer of streets to live in.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Anthem

“O God, Our Help in Ages Past”
Arr. Ron Mallory
Trinity Handbell Choir

Second Reading

Matthew 5: 13-20

“You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything but is thrown out and trampled underfoot.

“You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. People do not light a lamp and put it under the bushel basket; rather, they put it on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

“Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Rev. Meredith Kemp-Pappan

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

We respond to the Word of God in prayer and by offering ourselves and our substance.

*Hymn No. 702

“Christ Be Beside Me”

Affirmation of Faith

(Apostles’ Creed, traditional)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the

right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer

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. Amen.

Invitation to Offering

Offertory

"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"
Lowell Mason
Brad Stipcak, organ

*Doxology Hymn No. 607

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

*Prayer of Dedication

SENDING FORTH

Worship equips us to go forth to serve God in the world.

*Hymn screens

"A Little Bit of Salt"

*Charge and Blessing

*Sung Response GTG 853, v. 1 only

"We Are Marching in the Light of God"

*Postlude

"What Does the Lord Require of You"
Jim Strathdee
Brad Stipcak, organ

*Please rise in body or spirit.

Participants in worship:

Rev. Meredith Kemp-Pappan, Preacher

Jurahee Shriver, Liturgist

Bev Thompson, Sermon on the Steps

Brad Stipcak, organ & Dir. Of Music

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