

Trinity Presbyterian Church
February 15, 2026



GATHERING

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

Gathering Music

“Open the Eyes of My Heart” Hymn No. 452
“Here in This Place (Gather Us In) No. 401 vv. 1, 4
“Bread of Life” Screens

Carol Thomas, Song Leader
Jaron Marcus, piano

Welcome and Announcements

Susan Burris

Call to Worship

Climb the mountain of God.
We will watch and wait.
Wait for God’s glory to shine like the sun.
Wait for Christ to reveal the heart of God.
Wait to gain courage for the terror of the night.
Wait for the Spirit to dispel the darkness.
Climb the mountain of God.
We will watch for things worth waiting for.

Prayer of the Day

*Hymn No. 12, vv. 1 & 4

“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

Call to Confession

(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

Jenny Lee

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading

Exodus 24: 12-18

NRSVUE

The LORD said to Moses, “Come up to me on the mountain and wait there; I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.” So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up onto the mountain of God. To the elders he had said, “Wait here for us, until we come back to you. Look, Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them.” Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the LORD settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the Israelites. Moses entered the cloud and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem

“Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence”

Carlton R. Young

Trinity Heritage Choir

Second Reading

Matthew 5: 13-20

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured

before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became bright as light. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will set up three tents here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." And when they raised their eyes, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, "Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

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. 193, vv. 1, 2, 5

"Jesus, Take us to the Mountain"

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

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 No. 192

“Lord, the Light of Your Love is Shining”

*Responsive Charge and Blessing

Climb the mountain of God.

We will walk in the light and truth of God.

Do not fear the voice that calls from the heavens.

We will heed our call to follow Jesus.

Shine the light of Christ in the world.

We will be bold, for God goes with us.

*Sung Response GTG 853, v. 1 only

“We Are Marching in the Light of God”

*Postlude

Brad Stipcak, organ

*Please rise in body or spirit.

Participants in worship:

Rev. Meredith Kemp-Pappan, Preacher

Susan Burris, Liturgist

Carol Thomas, Song Leader

Jenny Lee, Sermon on the Steps

Brad Stipcak, organ & Dir. Of Music

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