

Trinity Church Welcomes You

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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PRELUDE

LIGHTING THE CANDLES

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS, JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Beautiful are the works of God!

Beautiful also are the skins of God's people!

Beautiful is the mind of God!

Beautiful also are the hopes of God's people!

Beautiful is the heart of God!

Beautiful also are the souls of God's people!

God made the heavens and the earth!

To God be the glory for the things God has done.

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***OPENING HYMN**

I Will Call upon the Lord

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(Part 1, melody) I will call upon the Lord

(Part 2, echo) I will call upon the Lord

(Part 1) who is worthy to be praised.

(Part 2) who is worthy to be praised.

(Part 1) So shall I be saved from my enemies.

(Part 2) So shall I be saved from my enemies.

(All) I will call upon the Lord.

Refrain

The Lord liveth, and blessed be the Rock;
and let the God of my salvation be exalted.

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and let the God of my salvation be exalted.

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OPENING PRAYER

O God of the morning and of the evening hours, let Your Spirit come on us here gathered. This is the holy place where we, Your people, call on You in faith, joining heart and voice in thanksgiving and praise to Your name. Amen.

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FIRST READING

2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c

¹ Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master because by him the LORD had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from a skin disease. ² Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. ³ She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his skin disease."

⁷ When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his skin disease? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me."

⁸ But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." ⁹ So Naaman came with his horses and chariots and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. ¹⁰ Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored, and you shall be clean." ¹¹ But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out and stand and call on the name of the LORD his God and would wave his hand over the spot and cure the skin disease! ¹² Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. ¹³ But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not

have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, ‘Wash, and be clean?’” ¹⁴ So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

^{15a, b, c} Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, “Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel.”

God’s Word for God’s People

PSALM

Psalm 111

(read responsively)

¹ Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

² **Great are your works, O LORD, pondered by all who delight in them.**

³ Majesty and splendor mark your deeds, and your righteousness endures forever.

⁴ **You cause your wonders to be remembered; you are gracious and full of compassion.**

⁵ You give food to those who fear you, remembering forever your covenant.

⁶ **You have shown your people the power of your works in giving them the lands of the nations.**

⁷ The works of your hands are faithfulness and justice; all of your precepts are sure.

⁸ **They stand fast forever and ever, because they are done in truth and equity.**

⁹ You sent redemption to your people and commanded your covenant forever; holy and awesome is your name.

¹⁰ **The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all who practice this have a good understanding. God’s praise endures forever.**

SECOND READING

2 Timothy 2:8-15

⁸ Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David—that is my gospel, ⁹ for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. ¹⁰ Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. ¹¹ The saying is sure: If we have died with him, we will also live with him; ¹² if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we

deny him, he will also deny us; ¹³ if we are faithless, he remains faithful— he cannot deny himself.

¹⁴ Remind them of this, and warn them before the Lord that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. ¹⁵ Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

God's Word for God's People

***GOSPEL READING**

Luke 17: 11-19

¹¹ On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. ¹² As he entered a village, ten men with a skin disease approached him. Keeping their distance, ¹³ they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" ¹⁴ When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. ¹⁵ Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. ¹⁶ He prostrated himself at Jesus's feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷ Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? So where are the other nine?" ¹⁸ Did none of them return to give glory to God except this foreigner?" ¹⁹ Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

The Gospel of the Lord

SERMON

Pastor Priscilla

HYMN

O Jesus, I Have Promised

UMH #396

1. O Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end;
be thou forever near me, my Master and my friend.
I shall not fear the battle if thou art by my side,
nor wander from the pathway if thou wilt be my guide.
3. O let me hear thee speaking in accents clear and still,
above the storms of passion, the murmurs of self-will.
O speak to reassure me, to hasten or control;
O speak, and make me listen, thou guardian of my soul.

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***APOSTLES' CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived**

by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

PASTORAL PRAYER

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

CALL TO CONFESSION

Let us examine our lives in the presence of God, humbly confessing our sins and opening our hearts, so that we do not deceive even ourselves, and exclude ourselves from your presence.

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of love and justice,
we long for peace within and peace without. We long for harmony in our families, for serenity in the midst of struggle, and for commitment to each other's growth. Yet we confess that we are often anxious; we do not trust each other, and we harbor resentment and fear. We are not willing to take the risks and make the hard choices that love requires. Look upon us with kindness and grace. Forgive us and show us how to walk in Your paths, through the mercy of our Saviour. Amen.

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WORD OF ASSURANCE

The Almighty and Merciful God grant us pardon and remission of all our sins, time for amendment of life, and the grace and comfort of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

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OFFERING

We appreciate your support of the work of the church through your tithes and offerings. Please place all offerings in the plate by the entrance to the sanctuary.

***OFFERING** *Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow* UMH #95
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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OFFERING PRAYER

All good gifts around us come from You, O God. You have given us life, and made us new creations in Christ. We offer ourselves and our gifts to your service, in Jesus' name. Amen.

***WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

THE 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 sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,
for Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

HOLY COMMUNION

The table is spread. All are welcome to receive the good gifts of God for God's beloved. The Body & Blood of Christ given for you. **Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Gracious and loving God, You have made us one in the body of Christ, and nourished us at Your table with holy food and drink. Now send us forth to be Your people in the world. Grant us strength to persevere in resisting evil, and to proclaim in all we say and do Your Good News in Christ Jesus our Saviour. Amen.

***HYMN**

Great Is the Lord

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Refrain

Great is the Lord, he is holy and just;
by his power we trust in his love.
Great is the Lord, he is faithful and true;
by his mercy he proves he is love.

1. Great is the Lord and worthy of glory!
Great is the Lord and worthy of praise.
Great is the Lord; now lift up your voice,
now lift up your voice: Great is the Lord! Great is the Lord! [*Refrain*]

2. Great is the Lord and worthy of glory!
Great is the Lord and worthy of praise.
Great is the Lord; now lift up your voice,
now lift up your voice: Great is the Lord! Great is the Lord!

3. Great are you, Lord, and worthy of glory!
Great are you, Lord, and worthy of praise.
Great are you, Lord, I lift up my voice,
I lift up my voice: Great are you, Lord! Great are you, Lord!

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BENEDICTION

May you love God so much that you love nothing else too much. May you fear God enough that you need fear nothing else at all. May Almighty God + Father, Son, and Spirit bless you with grace and mercy. **Amen.**

At last, O God, the sun's heat has given way to the cool evening.
Take, we pray, the heat out of our desires and our tempers,
and in this evening hour calm us,
that we may experience the peace and serenity which come from You.
At last, O God, the sun's brightness has given way
to the rich colors of the evening.
Prevent us, we pray, from being dazzled by the apparent brilliance
of human achievement.
And, in this evening hour, help us to rediscover the varied beauty of Your
Creation, and appreciate afresh, in the stillness, the value of Your abiding
presence.
For the sake of Jesus Christ. Amen.

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