

6th SUNDAY of EASTER

May 17, 2020 10:00 A.M.

GATHERING IN WORSHIP

Please use the time during the prelude for quiet meditation to prepare yourself for worship.

Prelude – Shout to the Lord (Stuart Seale)

*Call to Worship (Responsively)

Pastor: Shout with joy to God, all the earth!

People: Sing the glory of His name; make His praise glorious! Pastor: Say to God, "How awesome are Your deeds! So great is

Your power that Your enemies cringe before You."

People: All the earth bows down to You; they sing praise to You, they sing praise to Your name.

Pastor: Come see what God has done, how awesome His works in our behalf!

People: He turned the sea into dry land, they passed through the waters on foot—come, let us rejoice in Him. He saves us from death. Pastor: He rules forever by His power, He has sent us His Son and His Holy Spirit.

Unison: His Son as the ultimate sacrifice for our sins and His Holy Spirit to dwell within us forever! Amen!

*Hymn of Praise - Amazing Love (Stuart Seale & Courtney Reese)

I'm forgiven because You were forsaken I'm accepted, You were condemned I'm alive and well, Your spirit is within me Because You died and rose again (repeat)

Chorus:

Amazing love, how can it be That You my King would die for me Amazing love, I know it's true It's my joy to honor You, in all I do, I honor You

I'm forgiven because You were forsaken I'm accepted, You were condemned I'm alive and well, Your spirit is within me Because You died and rose again

Chorus 2x

You are my King, You are my King Jesus, You are my King, Jesus, You are my King

Chorus

Invocation

Almighty and ever-living God, you hold together all things in heaven and on earth. In your great mercy receive the prayers of all your children, and give to all the world the Spirit of your truth and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Alleluia. Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them,

and we will come to them and make our home with them. Alleluia.

Lord's Prayer (sins, sin)

WORD

Scripture Readings

Jen Davies

Psalm 66:8-20

Praise our God, all peoples, let the sound of his praise be heard; 9 he has preserved our lives and kept our feet from slipping.

- 10 For you, God, tested us; you refined us like silver.
- 11 You brought us into prison and laid burdens on our backs.
- 12 You let people ride over our heads; we went through fire and water, but you brought us to a place of abundance.
- 13 I will come to your temple with burnt offerings and fulfill my vows to you—
- 14 yows my lips promised and my mouth spoke when I was in trouble.
- 15 I will sacrifice fat animals to you and an offering of rams; I will offer bulls and goats.
- 16 Come and hear, all you who fear God; let me tell you what he has done for me.
- 17 I cried out to him with my mouth; his praise was on my tongue.
- 18 If I had cherished sin in my heart, the Lord would not have listened;
- 19 but God has surely listened and has heard my prayer.
- 20 Praise be to God, who has not rejected my prayer or withheld his love from me!

John 14:15-21

15 "If you love me, keep my commands. 16 And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever— 17 the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be[a] in you. 18 I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. 19 Before long, the world will not see me anymore, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. 20 On that day you will realize that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you. 21 Whoever has my commands and keeps them is the one who loves me. The one who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love them and show myself to them."

*Gloria Patri (BH# 109)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:

as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

Children's Sermon

Pastoral Prayer

*Hymn of Preparation – (BH #376) When We Walk with Lord (vs. 1-3)

1. When we walk with the Lord in the light of his Word, what a glory he sheds on our way! While we do his good will, Christ abides with us still, and with all who will trust and obey.

Refrain

Trust and obey, for there's no other way to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.

2. Not a shadow can rise, not a cloud in the skies, but his smile quickly drives it away; not a doubt nor a fear, not a sigh nor a tear, can abide while we trust and obey.

Refrain

3. Not a burden we bear, not a sorrow we share, but our toil Christ does richly repay; not a grief nor a loss, not a frown nor a cross, but is blest if we trust and obey.

Refrain

Message "Does Love Beget Obedience or Obedience Beget Love?" Pastor Mark Westlind

RESPONSE

Hymn of Response - Lord I Need You (Stuart Seale & Courtney Reese)

Lord, I come, I confess. Bowing here, I find my rest. And without You, I fall apart. You're the one that guides my heart.

Chorus:

Lord, I need You, oh, I need You. Ev'ry hour I need You. My one defense, my righteousness; Oh God, how I need You.

Where sin runs deep, Your grace is more. Where grace is found is where You are. And where You are, Lord, I am free. Holiness is Christ in me. And where You are, Lord, I am free. Holiness is Christ in me.

Chorus

So teach my song to rise to You when temptation comes my way. And when I cannot stand, I'll fall on You.

Jesus, You're my hope and stay

And when I cannot stand, I'll fall on You.

Jesus, You're my hope and stay

Chorus

My one defense, my righteousness; Oh God, how I need You.

Prayer of Confession (In Unison)

Lord, we stand before you in complete submission. We know that You love us unconditionally and forgive us all our sins. Please forgive us for playing at loving You and others. We confess that we have conditions on our love. We feel that we must earn Your love and that of others and that they must also prove themselves to us in order to deserve our favor. You have given us the supreme example by the death on the cross of Your Son. We should learn from this, but we just forget and forget and continue in our sinful behavior. We have

no excuse. We sorrowfully plead for your forgiveness as we stand convicted.

(time of silent reflection)

Assurance of Pardon

The Lord has heard our admission of our shame. He has not turned his head from us. He hears us! He reminds us that His love is pure and complete, sparing NOT His very own Son for us. His love is complete. His forgiveness is complete. He separates us from our sin as far as the East is from the West. He washes us clean. He forgives our sin and considers us as if we had never sinned. This is the power of our Lord. Accept His forgiveness He freely gives; know that He will help you forgive yourself and help you to love others with no conditions. If we let Him, He will so tenderly help us to be more and more like Him. Let His Holy Spirit, which dwells in you, guide you. Amen.

*Passing of the Peace

SENDING

Offering Online Giving

Offertory You Are My Hope
by Stuart Seale featuring Alysha Monique

*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, praise him all creatures here below' praise him above ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen. *Prayer of Dedication

*Closing Hymn – (BH #375) Take My Life, and Let it Be Consecrated (vs. 1,2,5)

1. Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee; take my moments and my days, let them flow in ceaseless praise,

let them flow in ceaseless praise.

2. Take my hands, and let them move at the impulse of thy love; take my feet, and let them be swift and beautiful for thee, swift and beautiful for thee.

5. Take my love; Lord, I will pour at thy feet its treasure store. Take myself, and I will be thine for all eternity, thine for all eternity. Amen.

*Benediction

Postlude - Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us played by Betty Aardema

*Please rise in body or spirit.

Prayer Concerns

Diane Bajner, Barbara Dorl, Janice Goetz, Kendra Goetz, Pattie Guldberg (Pastor Alicia's mother), Arline Mueller, Susie Raines, Kristine Schroeder, Faith Valido.

We are asking for prayer for Kristine Schroeder who has been admitted to Christ Hospital.

We are praising the Lord for answered prayers for little Vivian Caratachea who is recovering well at home after a hospital overnight.

During these uncertain times, we pray for our Trinity Church Family, friends, community, the healthcare workers, first responders, and our leaders, for courage, strength, grace and peace.

We pray for those grieving the loss of a loved one, for those made ill from the Covid-19 virus, the many individuals who are suffering from

the loss of their job and income, and everyone impacted by this pandemic.

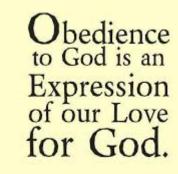
Notes of Interest

New Sermon Series!

Trinity is excited to announce that starting Sunday, May 24, we will be having a special new sermon series brought to us by our own Pastor Alicia! This series will be for the next four (4) weeks and will deal with each of the four chapters of the Book of Jonah! There will also be children's messages on the same theme each week. You thought you knew all there was to know about Jonah? Be ready to experience new and fascinating insights!

Class of 2020 Graduates

Trinity would like to acknowledge all of our Class of 2020 graduates in our upcoming bulletin. If you have a graduate in your family, please send to the church office either by mail or email (office@trinityecc.org), the name of your graduate, the name of the school they are graduating from, their degree, and where they'll be heading after graduation (high school/college/career path).



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Office Hours

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