

Trinity Presbyterian Church
Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost – November 3, 2024
Responsive Call to Worship

Bless the Lord at all times;

God's praise will always be on our lips.

Make great the name of God;

We will lift up God's holy name together.

For the Lord is our God, the Lord alone.

**We will love the Lord with heart, mind, strength and soul,
and praise God now and always.**

Hymn 490 God of grace and God of glory

**1. God of grace and God of glory,
on thy people pour thy power;
crown the ancient church's story;
bring its bud to glorious flower.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
for the facing of this hour,
for the facing of this hour.**

**2. Lo! the hosts of evil round us,
scorn thy Christ, assail his ways!
From the fears that long have bound us,
free our hearts to love and praise.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
for the living of these days,
for the living of these days.**

**3. Cure thy children's warring madness,
bend our pride to thy control;
shame our wanton, selfish gladness,
rich in things and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal,
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.**

**4. Set our feet on lofty places;
gird our lives that they may be
armoured with all Christlike graces,
pledged to set all captives free.**

**Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
that we fail not them nor thee,
that we fail not them nor thee!**

**5. Save us from weak resignation
to the evils we deplore;
let the search for thy salvation
be our glory evermore.**

**Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
serving thee whom we adore,
serving thee whom we adore.**

Prayer of Praise and Confession *(minister)*

Assurance of Pardon *(minister)*

Hymn 299 Holy, holy, holy

**1. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty,
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!**

**2. Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore thee,
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea,
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
who wert and art and evermore shalt be.**

**3. Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide thee,
though our eyes in sinfulness thy glory may not see,
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,
perfect in power, in love, and purity.**

**4. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
all thy works shall praise thy name in earth, and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

Prayer for illumination

Responsive Reading **Psalm 119:1-8**

¹ Joyful are people of integrity,
who follow the instructions of the Lord.

² **Joyful are those who obey his laws
and search for him with all their hearts.**

³ They do not compromise with evil,

and they walk only in his paths.

**⁴ You have charged us
to keep your commandments carefully.**

⁵ Oh, that my actions would consistently
reflect your decrees!

**⁶ Then I will not be ashamed
when I compare my life with your commands.**

⁷ As I learn your righteous regulations,
I will thank you by living as I should!

**⁸ I will obey your decrees.
Please don't give up on me!**

Scripture Lessons

Deuteronomy 6:1-9

Mark 12:28-34

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon Is it really that simple?

Prayers of the People (minister)

Hymn 382 Spirit of God, descend upon my heart

**1. Spirit of God, descend upon my heart;
wean it from sin, through all its pulses move.
Stoop to my weakness, mighty as thou art,
and make me love thee as I ought to love.**

**2. I ask no dream, no prophet ecstasies,
no sudden rending of the veil of clay,
no angel messenger, no opening skies,
but take the dimness of my soul away.**

**3. Hast thou not bid me love thee, God and King?
All, all thine own, soul, heart and strength and mind?
I see thy cross; there teach my heart to cling;
oh let me seek thee and oh let me find!**

**4. Teach me to feel that thou art always nigh;
teach me the struggles of the soul to bear,
to face the rising doubt, the rebel sigh;
teach me the patience of unanswered prayer.**

5. Teach me to love thee as thine angels love,

one holy passion filling all my frame:
the baptism of the heaven descended Dove;
my heart an altar and thy love the flame.

The offering

***Doxology 830 Praise God from whom all blessings flow**

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.

Prayer of Dedication

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory. For ever
and ever. Amen.

Hymn 707 More love to thee

1. More love to thee, O Christ, more love to thee:
hear thou the prayer I make on bended knee;
this is my earnest plea: more love, O Christ, to thee,
more love to thee, more love to thee
2. Through all that life may bring—joy, grief, or pain,
work out thy perfect plan—true heavenly gain;
only create in me more love, O Christ, to thee,
more love to thee, more love to thee.

Benediction

Choral Blessing

Go now in peace, never be afraid.
God will go with you each hour of every day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.
Know He will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love and show you believe.
Reach out to others so all the world can see---

**God will be there, watching from above.
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.
Amen, Amen, Amen.**