Order of Worship and Announcements for the Week of October 11, 2020



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Sunday, October 11, 2020 Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Preparation for Worship-Let us join together now and prepare for worship.

Dear Family of God – these are trying days in God's beloved world. As Christ's Church, sustained by the Holy Spirit, we have gifts and a call by which to care for one another and our neighbors. Worship in which we encounter our living God and know ourselves connected to the body continues. So this day we expand our worship into our homes, knowing that as we read the same Scriptures, and share in the same prayers, we are held together on this Sunday morning. Let us prepare our hearts and minds to worship the living Lord.

Prelude

"Creation In Me a Clean Heart, O God"

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Call to Worship*

One: Through Moses, God said,

All: "Let my people go."

One: In scripture, the law declares:

All: "In the seventh year, you must cancel all debts."

One: With grace, Jesus said: All: "Give one coat away."

One: With honesty, Jesus taught:

All: "Sell what you have, give that money to the poor."

One: Faith has always involved letting go, releasing, setting free,

Dropping our nets, giving to others, and following.

All: So in this hour of worship, may we release that which binds us.

May we worship with open, untamed, and porous hearts, so that we can walk freely with God.

One: Let it be so.

All: Amen.

Hymn #703

"Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me"

St. Catherine

1 Jesus, thy boundless love to me no thought can reach, no tongue declare; O knit my thankful heart to thee, and reign without a rival there! Thine wholly, thine alone, I'd live; myself to thee entirely give.

2 O grant that nothing in my soul may dwell, but thy pure love alone; O may thy love possess me whole, my joy, my treasure, and my crown! All coldness from my heart remove; may every act, word, thought be love.

3 O Love, how gracious is thy way! All fear before thy presence flies; care, anguish, sorrow melt away where'er thy healing beams arise. O Jesus, nothing may I see, nothing desire, or seek, but thee.

Prayer of Confession*

Gracious God,

We admit to holding tight to that which we know and understand.

We put you in a box to avoid the shades of gray that come with faith.

We put worship in a box to avoid the discomfort of change.

We put ourselves in boxes labeled with gender expectations and societal norms.

We put others in boxes labeled "worthy" and "unworthy."

We put all that we have in a box and pray we won't run out.

So in this moment, we confess to holding tight to fear, greed, and worldly structures.

Forgive us for missing the point.

Open our eyes to a new way—

to a holiness found in open boxes, unclenched fists, shades of gray, and holy release.

Gratefully we pray,

Amen. (Silence for Reflection)

Declaration of Forgiveness

The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting.

I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

May the God of mercy, who forgives us all our sins, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. **Amen.**

Gloria Patri (Hymn #581)

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.

Prayer for Illumination*

Gracious God,

We release our hearts to you.

First, we remove the pressure,

For release requires the freedom to be moved.

Then we allow our hearts to return to their original resting position—

In sync with you, with the rhythm of summer cicadas, and this whole wild creation.

Then, we pray that you will find our hearts available—

Not just physically, but emotionally and spiritually.

So like the mockingbird releases her song,

We release our hearts to you.

Move in them.

Stir us awake.

Speak to us now.

We are waiting.

Amen.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 19:16-22

Lay Reader: Hawley Rogers

19 ¹6 Then someone came to him and said, "Teacher, what good deed must I do to have eternal life?" ¹7 And he said to him, "Why do you ask me about what is good? There is only one who is good. If you wish to enter into life, keep the commandments." ¹8 He said to him, "Which ones?" And Jesus said, "You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; ¹9 Honor your father and mother; also, You shall love your neighbor as yourself." ²0 The young man said to him, "I have kept all these; what do I still lack?" ²¹ Jesus said to him, "If you wish to be perfect, go, sell your possessions, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." ²² When the young man heard this word, he went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Old Testament Reading Deuteronomy 15:1-11

15 Every seventh year you shall grant a remission of debts. ² And this is the manner of the remission: every creditor shall remit the claim that is held against a neighbor, not exacting it of a neighbor who is a member of the community, because the LORD's remission has been proclaimed. ³ Of a foreigner you may exact it, but you must remit your claim on whatever any member of your community owes you. ⁴ There will, however, be no one in need among you, because the LORD is sure to bless you in the land that the LORD your God is giving you as a possession to occupy, ⁵ if only you will obey the LORD your God by diligently observing this entire commandment that I command you today. ⁶ When the LORD your God has blessed you, as he promised you, you will lend to many nations, but you will not borrow; you will rule over many nations, but they will not rule over you.

⁷ If there is among you anyone in need, a member of your community in any of your towns within the land that the LORD your God is giving you, do not be hard-hearted or tight-fisted toward your needy neighbor. ⁸ You should rather open your hand, willingly lending enough to meet the need, whatever it may be. ⁹ Be careful that you do not entertain a mean thought, thinking, "The seventh year, the year of remission, is near," and therefore view your needy neighbor with hostility and give nothing; your neighbor might cry to the LORD against you, and you would incur guilt. ¹⁰ Give liberally and be ungrudging when you do so, for on this account the LORD your God will bless you in all your work and in all that you undertake. ¹¹ Since there will never cease to be some in need on the earth, I therefore command you, "Open your hand to the poor and needy neighbor in your land."

Anthem "Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart" Morecombe

Jillian Koenig, flute

Children's Sermon

Meditation "Catch and Release" Dr. Jeff Beebe

A Stewardship Story

Affirmation of Faith Release*

We believe that on the first day,

God released love and creativity over a void;

and that void became mountains and rivers, sunsets and starry nights.

We believe God released

God's people from the grips of slavery,

liberating us day in and day out.

We believe God laid down with death

and was released from its grip,

knowing suffering and freeing us from this fragile life.

And we believe God invites us-

day in and day out-

to release our fears.

let go of assumptions, tear down walls,

throw open the doors, and walk closer to love.

May it be so.

Amen.

Prayer of Dedication for the Offering*

Holy God.

It is not always easy to give what we have.

We count pennies.

We weigh the pros and cons.

We calculate what we have given before.

And we remind ourselves what we are giving to now.

We all have our money stories.

And yet,

Even though it can take work for us to practice release,

We trust that you can take these gifts—

However freely or reluctantly given—

And use them to build a more beautiful world.

For that is who you are.

You are forever building castles out of sand,

Disciples out of people, and new life out of cautious gifts.

We believe; help our unbelief.

In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

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, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Hymn #707 "Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord" Hall

1 Take thou our minds, dear Lord, we humbly pray; give us the mind of Christ each passing day; teach us to know the truth that sets us free; grant us in all our thoughts to honor thee.

2 Take thou our hearts, O Christ; they are thine own; come thou within our souls and claim thy throne; help us to shed abroad thy deathless love; use us to make the earth like heaven above.

3 Take thou our wills, Most High! Hold thou full sway; have in our inmost souls thy perfect way; guard thou each sacred hour from selfish ease; guide thou our ordered lives as thou dost please.

4 Take thou ourselves, O Lord, heart, mind, and will; through our surrendered souls thy plans fulfill. We yield ourselves to thee: time, talents, all; we hear, and henceforth heed, thy sovereign call.

Benediction

Congregational Response (Hymn #306)

Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love. The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.

Postlude "The Earth Belongs to God Alone" Simmons

*Liturgy by Sarah Are / A Sanctified Art LLC / sanctifiedart.org Cover Art: Graphic Design by Lauren Wright Pittman / A Sanctified Art LLC / sanctifiedart.org



Join us in prayer for our members and loved ones

We are happy to pray for you and your loved ones. If someone is in need of prayer, please let the church office know: trinityoffice@cfl.rr.com. Those listed in bold are members of the church and the asterisk indicates active military service.

*Please help us keep our prayer list current. If you, or your loved one, no longer need our community prayers,

*PLEASE call the Church office to let us know at (386)445-4757.

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A STEWARDSHIP STORY



Good Morning, my name is Martha Gioielli and I am a member of the Trinity Stewardship Committee. Today, I have the pleasure of sharing with you some thoughts and introducing another group of stewards from our congregation. As a committee, we want you to know that we understand there are many shades of meaning to this word stewardship. But at the core of stewardship for many of us is the "sharing of our gifts from God, sharing them back to God, with our fellow beings, God's children and with God's world. Your Stewardship Committee has been exploring a broader response to this journey to becoming better stewards. We are reminded that the motivation for our response to God begins with His love for us and we are humbled by the realization that all we have is because of that love. All we have - our time, our talents, and our gifts are His. Today we hear from Bill and Libbie Butler and Brooke Tucker as they have a conversation about how stewardship is exemplified in their lives. Now let's listen to their story.

Bill and Libbie are charter members of this church. They have been members of Trinity for 40 years.

What makes Trinity so important in your life?

Bill: It's a part of us. When we moved here it was a place where we could go to meet new people and get a more diverse group of friends than just the people we work with or just our immediate family. It's been a part of us for all of these years.



Libbie: It's the people. I love passing of the peace in church because it's a time that we get to hug each other. We grow together here. As we continue through our lives, we get to be around different age groups. I love being around the younger members of Trinity now that I am getting older, and I love being around the older members who can help me navigate through these older years.

Why do you volunteer?

(Both Bill and Libbie help with the youth. Bill is on the Facility Care Committee)

Bill: It creates a sense of ownership. When you put your blood, sweat and tears into something it means more. We feel like not only should you contribute financially, but give of your talents. The Bible tells us that this is what we should do. Time and talents is one way we each can contribute. Our church has so many people who have so many talents with so many backgrounds and different educational backgrounds. There are loads of talents out there that can be shared with our church to make our church better. Volunteering is also how you get to know people in your church. Being a church member is not just going to church and shaking hands and passing the peace and then you are gone. It's doing the holiday fair and the pumpkin patch and all the things we do with the youth and the senior adult ministry. Volunteering is just a great way to get to know each other.

Libbie: It takes all of us to make a church and I love the diversity of our church. It is like a small bit of the real world, but we are part of this huge family that we can share things with. We give our time, our talent, and our love to our church family because that is what God wants us to do.

Notes from the Stewardship Committee: We know we all have a story to share concerning how we think about or do stewardship. So if you would like to share with us your story, please let us know, for we would love to hear it. Call any committee member: David Tiernan (chair), Marc Hitchins, Karen Walker, Jane Lippian or Martha Gioielli.

Please wait until AFTER the worship service on November 1 to fill in your 2021 Stewardship Pledge Cards. Once filled in, they may be turned in to the church or mailed to the church office. May God richly bless our generosity as we return to God a small portion of what He has given to us.



SUNDAY VESPERS

You are invited to join the members and friends of Trinity Palm Coast for outdoor Vespers on Sunday, October 11th at 6:30PM in the Pavilion. Vespers, by definition, is an informal worshipful gathering. In case of inclement weather, Vespers will be held in Mehaffey Hall.

We will observe social distancing and all are asked to wear a mask in consideration of others. We also ask that you bring your own chair. We look forward to seeing many of you and worshiping with you!

PUMPKIN PATCH

Trinity's Annual Pumpkin Patch is back! Pumpkins are scheduled to be delivered Sunday, October 11th and we are scheduled to be open on Monday, October 12th. This year we will be open daily from 1pm-7pm Monday, October 12th through Saturday, October 31st. Masks or face coverings are required. All proceeds go to fund our Middle School Summer Youth Mission Trip. Interested in volunteering? Contact Brooke at 386-445-4757. Want to purchase a pumpkin, but don't want to have to leave the house? Pumpkin delivery is available, contact Brooke for more information!



CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:

| Patrick Kleinfelder | 10/12 |
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| Kenneth Peters | 10/12 |
| Saida Evensen | 10/13 |
| Tammy Gynizio | 10/13 |
| Walt Lippian | 10/14 |



| Steve Settles | 10/14 |
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| Lori Davenport | 10/15 |
| Robert Elliott | 10/17 |
| Trudy Manen | 10/17 |
| Rick Manson | 10/17 |



ONLINE WORSHIP

We look forward to worshipping with you and your family wherever you may be as Trinity Palm Coast will continue to worship online.

In and thru the church website <u>trinitypalmcoast.org</u> you can join us on Sunday mornings and throughout the week as our services are archived and can be viewed on the website.

BIBLE STUDY

Join Rev. Dr. Beebe online for Bible Study! This is a four-week series, beginning October 2^{nd} , entitled "Our Money Story" based on materials from A Sanctified Art. In this season of Stewardship, this series encourages all to reimagine their Own stories and transform them into the reality God would have us live.



IN APPRECIATION



We thank Lillian for all she has done for us, during this Covid-19 period. The rehearsals each week this summer, working on techniques, and writing music for six ringers, are deeply appreciated. Because we are limited to only six ringers, we have not been able to use any music from our library. She has spent endless hours either writing or adapting all the music we play.

Our deepest thanks and love to you, Lillian. We could not do it without you. Thanks Be To God,

Bell Ringers: Liz Monaco, Joyce Lewis, Marilyn Paris, Janet Schaaf, Barbara Davis, Kathy Link, Martha Gioielli and Norma Rogero

OFFERING

Please continue to give your offering. God calls us to give all of who we are, and all of what we have used in and thru the Church. So let us present our lives. Let us present our gifts unto God. (Offerings can be received in the Church by mail or online at www.trinitypalmcoast.org). Contributions can also be made for the Deacon Assistance Fund and Missions Program.



Church Office Hours Monday – Thursday 9:00am – 12:00pm



**If you would like to submit an announcement to be included in the weekly bulletin, please have in by 9am Monday morning. Due date for the next bulletin is Monday, October12th.

Please email to Judy at trinityoffice@cfl.rr.com.



Trinity Presbyterian Church is called by God, through our Lord Jesus Christ, and empowered by the Holy Spirit, to be a **worshiping**, **nurturing** and **serving** community.