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Thoughts for Preparation

All those days you felt like dust, like dirt, as if all you had to do was turn your face toward the wind and be scattered to the four corners or swept away by the smallest breath as insubstantial— did you not know what the Holy One can do with dust? This is the day we freely say we are scorched. This is the hour we are marked by what has made it through the burning. This is the moment we ask for the blessing that lives within the ancient ashes, that makes its home inside the soil of this sacred earth.

So let us be marked not for sorrow.

And let us be marked not for shame.

Let us be marked not for false humility or for thinking we are less than we are but for claiming what God can do within the dust, within the dirt, within the stuff of which the world is made and the stars that blaze in our bones and the galaxies that spiral inside the smudge we bear.

*-Jan Richardson from Circle of Grace:
A Book of Blessings for the Seasons*

Prelude

"O Come Unto the Lord"

arr. Che

Welcome

Pastor Joe Albright

Call to Worship

Awake, O my Soul, to the flow of the divine deep within you.

Wake me up, O Lord.

Awaken us to the river of resurrection,
the promise of new beginnings.

Wake me up, O Lord.

Awake, O my soul, to the joy in life, to the color-filled beauty of God's love, all which surrounds us.

Wake us up, O Lord.

* Hymn #175

"Seek Ye First"

Lafferty

Call to Confession

As we begin this holy season, it is important to name those places and ways in which we've strayed and turned from God. As we pray this prayer of confession together – there will be some spaces of silence. I want to invite you to offer your own prayers during this silence and then join me when I pick up the prayer. Realizing that we are all in need of God's grace, let's pray together.

Prayer of Confession

Holy and merciful God, we confess to you and to one another that we have turned from you and sinned in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. (silent prayer)

We have not loved you with our whole heart, and mind, and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not forgiven others as we have been forgiven. (silent prayer)

In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Promise of Grace

Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation.

The old life has gone; a new life has begun.

Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.

Thanks be to God!

Anthem	"Hear Us, Holy Jesus" Chancel Choir	A. Goetze
God's Word to Us	2 Corinthians 4:7-9;16-18	
Homily	"Spiritual Springtime"	Rev. Joe Albright
Imposition of Ashes		
* Hymn #435	"There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"	In Babilon
Benediction		
* Postlude	"You Are the Lord, Giver of Mercy"	arr. Che

* Denotes please stand if able.

Welcome to Our Visitors

If you are worshiping here as a visitor, we extend to you our warmest welcome! If we can be helpful in any way, please don't hesitate to be in touch. Church Office: (386) 445-4757. If you would like more information about Trinity Presbyterian Church, feel free to contact Pastor Joe personally at albrightfish@gmail.com

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