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10:30 a.m. Sunday, January 21, 2024

Processional

Welcome and Announcements

*Passing the Peace of Christ

Greet one another with the Peace of Christ "The Peace of Christ be with you."

"And also with you."

Preparation for Worship

Ann Lamont, NY Times Author and

Presbyterian 4th Grade Sunday school Teacher

There is nothing as sweet as a comeback, when you are down and out, about to lose, and out of time.

Prelude

The Gift To Be Simple

Dale Wood

Introit

Acclamation and Praise

Marty Parks

Call to Worship

The Song of Jonah

One:

"In my distress I called to the Lord, and he answered me. From deep in the realm of the dead I called for help, and you listened to my cry.

All:

You hurled me into the depths, into the very heart of the seas, and the currents swirled about me; all your waves and breakers swept over me. I said, 'I have been banished from your sight; yet I will look again toward your holy temple.'

One:

The engulfing waters threatened me, the deep surrounded me; seaweed was wrapped around my head. To the roots of the mountains I sank down; the earth beneath barred me in forever.

All:

But you, Lord my God, brought my life up from the pit. "When my life was ebbing away, I remembered you, Lord, and my prayer rose to you, to your holy temple.

One:

Those who cling to worthless idols turn away from God's love for them

All: But I, with shouts of grateful praise, will sacrifice to you. What I have vowed I will make good. I will say, 'Salvation comes from the Lord.'"

*Hymn of Praise #288

I Sing the Mighty Power

(music at end of bulletin)

Call to Confession

One: Lord of all, you are the God of the second chance. When we fail you give us the opportunity to repent and start anew. Your mercies are ever fresh and your grace is always present. Knowing this we come with boldness into your presence to confess our faults so that we may amend our ways.

Prayer of Confession

All: Lord of all the world, you give grace to all. At times we struggle with how freely you give grace to others and we judge them and you harshly. Forgive us, and replace our judgmental spirit with a spirit of love and a perspective of grace that believes that you love all people in your creation.

Take time to offer silent prayers of confession.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Acts 10: 43

One: All the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in Jesus receives forgiveness of sins through his name.

All: Hear the Good News. In the name of Jesus Christ we are given a new life, and a new path to follow, that leads to freedom from sin.

*Gloria

Glory, glory, glory be to God on high! Glory, glory, glory be to God on high! And on earth peace to all people in whom God is well pleased. And on earth peace to all people in whom God is well pleased. **Anthem** Follow Me Russell Nagy

Today we'll follow the steps of our Savior, Today we'll follow the ways of our Lord. We'll go wherever the Master may lead us, Today we'll follow the path of our Lord.

"Follow me, become disciples and follow me."

Jesus' call is a melody,

A simple song that He loves us.

"Come and see, we'll change the world if you follow Me:

A new creation in harmony.

I will lead if you follow, follow!"

Today we'll follow the steps of our Savior, Today we'll follow the ways of our Lord. We'll go wherever the Master may lead us,

Today we'll follow the path of our Lord.

Prayer for Illumination

Jonah was commanded to give a message of second chances to the People of Nineveh. The Scriptures are resplendent with words of comfort and promises of grace. This morning let us cling to the promise of God as the word is read in our hearing. Amen.

Scripture Reading

Jonah 3:1-5, 10

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Then the word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time: 2 "Go to the great city of Nineveh and proclaim to it the message I give you." 3 Jonah obeyed the word of the Lord and went to Nineveh. Now Nineveh was a very large city; it took three days to go through it. 4 Jonah began by going a day's journey into the city, proclaiming, "Forty more days and Nineveh will be overthrown." 5 The Ninevites believed God. A fast was proclaimed, and all of them, from the greatest to the least, put on sackcloth. 10 When God saw what they did and how they turned from their evil ways, he relented and did not bring on them the destruction he had threatened.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

The Dance of the Second Chance

Larry Vilardo

*Hymn #357

O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

(music at end of bulletin)

Prayers of the People

After each petition please say, "God of Life and Hope" and all respond, "Hear our Prayer."

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 forever. Amen.

Call to Offering

Offertory

Rock of Ages

Joel Raney

*Doxology #591

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ, all people here below; Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

All:

Lord of land, sea, and air, and ruler of all creation, you do not go give up on us, but continue to give us second chances. These are the chances generated by your heart of love for us. We dedicate ourselves to love our neighbor and ourselves as you have loved us by doing the dance of giving and taking second chances. Amen.

*Closing Hymn #343

Called as Partners in Christ's Service

*Blessing

*Amen

*Postlude

Allegro Vivace G. F. Handel/Lani Smith

*We invite all to stand in body or in spirit.

THANK YOU

Pastor: Larry Vilardo

Music Director: Nicki Kerns

> Michael Christie Lector:

Lee Duffus Greeter: Usher: Pete Halper

Flowers: Emily and Lee Duffus Coffee: Emily and Lee Duffus

Announcements

Thank You for Your Generosity!

The Mission Committee is pleased to report that the special Christmas Joy Offering raised over \$2100! The Trinity Community is indeed generous. Half of these funds will be used to provide financial support to past and present PC(USA) pastors and church workers. The other half will be applied to scholarships for future church leaders attending Presbyterianaffiliated colleges. Thank you.

Welcome to Trinity Presbyterian Church!

We look forward to getting to know you better. Please fill out a visitor welcome card found in the pew pockets in front of you. After worship, please join us for coffee, tea, and juice in the Fellowship Hall. We are glad you are here!

Church Office Job Opening

Our beloved Admin, Jana Daley, is needing to resign her position at the end of January. She will be missed beyond measure. Please read future church newsletters for updates on plans and needs.

Saturday, January 27, Long Marine Lab Hike, 9:00 AM

2.7 miles through DeAnza Park ponds, beach, and tide pools, with ocean views along the cliffs of Long Marine Lab, with whale skeletons and an elephant seal statue, and ending with a walk by the Homeless Garden project and along the railroad tracks, ending with a walk by Historic Antonelli Mill Pond. We will meet at the Trinity parking lot 9:00 AM, and car pool, or meet at 9:15am at DeAnza Mobile Home Park entrance at the corner of Delaware Avenue and Shaffer Road. You can park along Delaware or Shaffer Road. Bring binoculars for birding, water, and a jacket. Rain will postpone to a February Saturday. Map and description of the hike will be available today in the narthex. For questions email geobunch@gmail.com or call/text George at 831-428-2182.

Annual Congregational Meeting, January 28, 11:30am

Join us for our annual congregational meeting, directly after the worship service.

Annual Congregational Potluck, January 28, 11:45am

Please sign up with what dish you are bringing on the sheet on the bulletin board in the hallway outside the sanctuary.

Per Capita

The Per Capita assessment for Trinity is due to the Presbytery on February 7. The total amount per member is \$41.50 per person. If you would like to contribute to Trinity's per capita payment, please make a "Per Capita" note in the memo of your check.

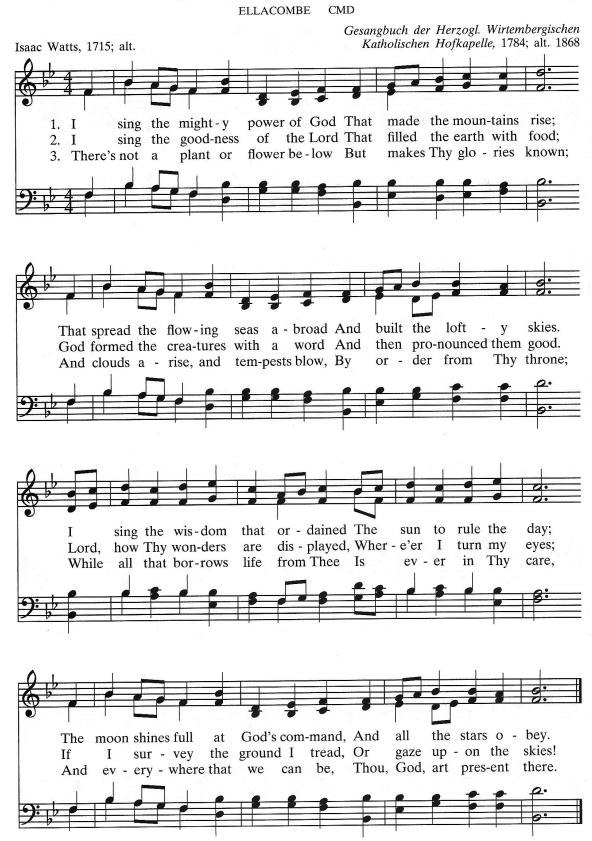
New Year's Resolution Opportunity

We're always looking for lunch providers for the hardworking hungry volunteers who are building new homes in Live Oak. It's simple and very satisfying to make or purchase a dozen lunches (e.g., sandwiches, soup, stew, pizza) and then deliver them at the building site where you can meet the volunteers and see their progress. Trinity volunteers provide lunches on the first Tuesday of each month. The next available dates are April 2, and May 7, and June 4. Contact Lee Duffus (831-295-3025) to sign up or for more information.

Pastor Larry's contact info

Due to technical difficulties, Pastor Larry is using his personal email, lvilardo@earthlink.net, rather than the trinityscpastor email address.

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