

June 7, 2026 ~ 10:30 a.m.

Welcome to Worship



A contemporary imagining of the inclusive table fellowship of Jesus.

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Prelude and Procession *Prelude #2 in C#m* Nicki Kerns
by George Gershwin

Welcome and Announcements Ron Weaver

Preparation for Worship

This Sunday, we hear four stories in our rather short reading of scripture. In it, Jesus calls a new disciple, is questioned for eating with “sinners and tax collectors,” is on his way to raise a child from death, and heals a woman with a blood condition. All in one afternoon. A busy messiah.

Introit *Come to the Table of the Lord*, by Jay Althouse Choir

Call to Worship (*responsively*) Sam Altis

Jesus called Matthew from the tax booth and said, “Follow me.”

Christ still calls people where they are.

Jesus sat at tables with those others rejected.

Christ still creates spaces of welcome and belonging.

Jesus reached toward those who were suffering, grieving, and afraid.

Christ still brings healing, compassion, and hope.

Come as you are.

We come to follow Christ, to receive grace, and to worship God.

***Hymn** GtG #5 *God the Sculptor of the Mountains*, vs. 1, 2, 4
Please see insert

Call to Prayer for Forgiveness and Healing Ron

Trusting in God’s mercy, let us come before God in honesty. We bring our whole selves, seeking forgiveness and healing.

***Prayer for Forgiveness and Healing** (*unison*)

Ron

Merciful God, we confess that we often build walls where you create tables. We divide people into those who belong and those who do not. We hide behind appearances and pretend we have everything together. We turn away from suffering because we do not know what to do. We cling to fear when you invite us into trust. Forgive us, renew us, and teach us again the way of mercy. Call us by name, gather us into your grace, and lead us in the way of Christ.

(Time for silent prayer.)

Assurance of Forgiveness and New Life (*responsively*)

Ron

In Jesus Christ, we are met with mercy before we earn it, loved before we prove ourselves, and welcomed before we have everything figured out. Friends, believe the good news: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven and loved. **Thanks be to God.**

***Gloria GtG# 585**

Glory to God

Choir sings each line which is then echoed by the congregation.

Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest! (*echo*)

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to Christ Jesus! (*echo*)

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Spirit! (*echo*)

To God be glory forever. (*echo*)

Alleluia, Amen. (*echo*)

Alleluia, Amen. (*echo*)

Alleluia, Amen. (*echo*)

***Passing the Peace of Christ**

Sam

“The Peace of Christ be with you.” **“And also with you.”**

Let us share a sign of that peace with one another.

Prayers of the People - God of Life and Hope, Hear our Prayer

Presbytery Unity Candle: We pray for Foothill Community Presbyterian Church, Revs. Lindsay Woods Wong and Andy Wong, and First Thai Presbyterian Church of San Jose, and Pastor Prasartpong Pansuay.

The Lord's Prayer (*unison*)

Sam

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.

Anthem

Jubilate Deo, by Dale Wood

Choir

*O sing to the Lord with a jubilant voice;
Glory to God in the highest!
O serve Him with gladness, before Him rejoice;
Praise to the Lord in the highest!*

*The Lord is our God, our Creator, not we;
Glory to God in the highest!
The sheep of His pasture we ever shall be,
Praise to the Lord in the highest!*

*O enter his gates with thanksgiving and praise;
Glory to God in the highest!
To honor his Name thankful voices we raise;
Praise to the Lord in the highest!*

*For good is the Lord, and his mercy is sure;
Glory to God in the highest!
To all generations his truth shall endure;
Glory to God! Glory to God!
Praise to the Lord in the highest!*

Prayer of Illumination (*responsively*)

Ron

Living God, open our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit, that as the scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear Christ calling us, receive the healing of your grace, and find new life in your presence. **Amen.**

Reading:

Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

Ron

As Jesus went on from there, he saw a man named Matthew sitting at the tax collector's booth. "Follow me," he told him, and Matthew got up and followed him. While Jesus was having dinner at Matthew's house, many tax collectors and sinners came and ate with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they asked his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" On hearing this, Jesus said, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. But go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners."

One: The Word of God for the People of God.

All: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Sam Altis

Offering Our Lives to God

Ron

Freely we have received; freely we give. Let us offer our gifts in gratitude, that God's love may be made known through us.

Ushers, please come forward.

Offertory

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need
by Gilbert M. Martin (in *Easy Org Lib #54*)

Nicki

***Doxology PH #591**

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

***Prayer of Dedication (*unison*)**

Sam

Gracious God, you have given to us far more than we could ever earn or deserve. Receive these gifts and receive our lives as well. Multiply them, that through them others may find welcome, healing, hope, and the good news of Christ. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

***Hymn PH #272**

God of the Sparrow

***Blessing and Charge**

Sam

***Amen**

Choir

***Postlude**

Praise and Thanksgiving, by Dale Wood

Nicki

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

PH - Presbyterian Hymnal; GH – Gather Hymnal; GtG - Glory to God

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Special Thanks to Our “Sunday Saints”

Guest Preacher: Sam Altis

Music Director: Nicki Kerns

Lector: Ron Weaver

Usher: Jeff Lawton

Flowers: Larry and Lorraine Vilaro

Greeters: Jerry & Sandy Thormann

Coffee Hour: Barb Christie

Audio/Video/Zoom Techs: Chad Bell, Chuck Cobery, Rosie Bell

Announcements

Welcome to Trinity Presbyterian Church. Are you new today? We look forward to getting to know you. Please fill out a visitor welcome card and place it in the offering plate during the Call to Offering. After worship, join us for coffee/refreshments in the Fellowship Hall. We're glad you're here!



Today's guest preacher, Sam Altis, has spent his career helping empower faith communities to make the world a better place. After completing his MDiv from Fuller Seminary, he served in a variety of roles on the west coast and Midwest. He has been on the staff of Methodist, American Baptist, and Ecumenical churches, and managed programs at a Lutheran refugee resettlement agency and a PC(USA) Seminary. He now serves as the Executive Director of the Association of Faith Communities, an agency our congregation has supported for years.

Our regularly-scheduled **communion Sunday** will take place next Sunday, June 14, with Pastor Diane.

Join us at the Pride Parade and Festival, Sunday, June 7, 2026. Trinity Presbyterian will be joining Aptos Methodist Church once again to represent our churches at the Pride Festival. Stop by to say hello!

Save the Date: Family Fun Fest at Trinity! Saturday, June 27 from 11 – 3.

Book Club will be discussing “Miracles and Wonder: The Historical Mystery of Jesus” by Elaine Pagels at their next meeting. We meet on the third Monday of each month at 10 am in the fireside room.

Please continue to remember these people and situations in your prayers.

- Boy Scout Troop 618: blessings on their programs; hiking mercies as they undertake a 50 Mike backpack adventure.
- Santa Cruz Symphony League: gratitude for their annual home and garden tour that benefits the Symphony.
- Graduates of all educational levels: congratulations and support as they step out into new ventures.

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