

February 16, 2025 ~ 10:30 a.m.
Ordination and Installation of Elders & Deacons



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Prelude and Procession *Be Not Afraid*, by Bob Dufford, SJ Nicki Kerns

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Diane Ford

Preparation for Worship

To be blessed by the Almighty Source and Sustainer of Life is described in the Hebrew Scriptures as profound and transformative. To receive the blessing that God longs to provide, we need some humility and faith to let it in. There is a joy and liberation the heart receives. And yet, we can get in our own way. In our worship today, we are invited to receive in order to then pass on the blessing of God to others.

Introit *Surely the Presence*, by Anonymous Trinity Choir

Call to Worship (Responsively) Rev. Larry Vilardo

Time passes, seasons change, but God remains steadfast and sure,
**a deeply rooted tree with leaves for the healing of the nations
and the soothing of our souls.**

Hymn:** GTG #172 ***Blest Are They, vs. 1, 2, 5 (Pg. 8) BLEST ARE THEY

Call to Confession Larry

We wander and stray, but God continues to reach out to us with mercy and love. Let us make our confession and receive God's welcome.

Prayer for Forgiveness and Healing (Unison) Larry

Sustaining God, you would have us be deeply rooted in you, finding strength in your word and nourishment in your grace. More often, though, we live as chaff, blown here and there by the winds of circumstance. Forgive our lack of permanency and our failures to hold fast to our commitments. Grow in us faith, that we might be firmly planted in your promises, released from sin, and open to the life you have shown us in Jesus Christ. *(Take time to offer silent prayers.)*

Assurance of Forgiveness (Responsively) Larry

The waters of grace refresh our lives and bring forth a new creation.
This is good news!

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

***Gloria** *Gloria Patri et Filio* TAIZÉ
Gloria, gloria, gloria Patri et Filio,
Gloria , gloria, gloria Spiritui sancto.
(repeat)

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

Message for the Children

(After the message, all children are invited to go to class with their teacher.)

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

Presbytery’s Unity Candle: El Estero Presbyterian Church, Monterey

Lord’s Prayer (Unison)

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.

Minute for Mission Update on COPA Kathy Willott
Community Organization Relational Power Alliance

Anthem *Shalom*, by Dan Forrest Trinity Choir
Peace I leave with you, peace I give to you,
Peace, peace, shalom.
Peace I give to you, peace I leave with you.
Peace, peace, shalom.

Prayer for Illumination Larry
Saving God, source of our calling, your Word is full of power and glory. Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us so that we may receive your grace and live as your beloved children; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Reading Jeremiah 17:5-8 Larry
“Cursed is the one who trusts in man,
who draws strength from mere flesh
and whose heart turns away from the Lord.

That person will be like a bush in the wastelands;
they will not see prosperity when it comes.
They will dwell in the parched places of the desert,
in a salt land where no one lives.

“But blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord,
whose confidence is in him.

They will be like a tree planted by the water
that sends out its roots by the stream.

It does not fear when heat comes; its leaves are always green.

It has no worries in a year of drought and never fails to bear fruit.”

Reading

Luke 6:17-26

Diane

He went down with them and stood on a level place. A large crowd of his disciples was there and a great number of people from all over Judea, from Jerusalem, and from the coastal region around Tyre and Sidon, who had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases. Those troubled by impure spirits were cured, and the people all tried to touch him, because power was coming from him and healing them all.

Looking at his disciples, he said:

“Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.

Blessed are you who hunger now, for you will be satisfied.

Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.

Blessed are you when people hate you, when they exclude you and insult you and reject your name as evil, because of the Son of Man.”

“Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, because great is your reward in heaven. For that is how their ancestors treated the prophets.”

“But woe to you who are rich, for you have already received your comfort. Woe to you who are well fed now, for you will go hungry.

Woe to you who laugh now, for you will mourn and weep.

Woe to you when everyone speaks well of you,

for that is how your ancestors treated the false prophets.’

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Rev. Diane Ford

Call to Offering

Offertory

Nicki Kerns

Thy Word is a Lamp Unto My Feet, by Amy Grant/Michael W. Smith

***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 (unison)**

We commit ourselves to the way of Jesus. We turn our attention to the needs of others and those we would call “other.” We embrace the lifestyle of service, the habit of forgiveness, and the tendency to stoke joy and peace in others. Multiply our efforts and offerings to bring your will on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.

***Ordination and Installation of Deacons and Elders (see insert)**

***Hymn, PH #525**

Here I Am, Lord, vs. 1, 2

HERE I AM, LORD

***Blessing and Charge**

***Amen**

Trinity Choir

***Postlude**

Psalm 19, by Benedetto Marcello

Nicki Kerns

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

PH - Presbyterian Hymnal; GH - Gather Hymnal;

GTG - Glory to God Hymnal

Special Thanks to Our “Sunday Saints”

Pastor, Rev. Diane Ford; Music Director, Nicki Kerns

Lector, Rev. Larry Vilaro; Usher, Pete Halper;

Greeter, Dan Rutan; Flowers, Dan and Vickie Rutan

Coffee Hour, Debbie Bates; Audio/Video/Zoom Tech, TBD

Additional Thanks

Sorella, women's choir; Priscilla Whitcomb, violin

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Announcements

Welcome to Trinity Presbyterian Church

Are you new today? 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 refreshments in the Magnolia Courtyard. We are glad you are here.

Online Church Service

Experience our live services or explore past ones on YouTube. If you want edited sermons with dates, titles, bulletin covers, and volume enhancements, check out our Vimeo website. Both platforms can be accessed through our website: <https://www.trinitypressc.org>

Deacons

The Board of Deacons relies on the generosity of members and friends of the congregation to provide financial support for their endeavors.

Your assistance is greatly appreciated. Please use the envelopes in the pews to designate your contribution to the work of the Deacons.

Third Monday Book Club, February 17

Hi Bookies! Our book club meetings will be in the Fireside Room tomorrow on February 17 at 10 a.m. We'll be discussing *"An Olive Grove at the End of the World"* by Jared Gulian. Whether you're a regular attendee or a newcomer, all are welcome to join in the conversation!

Third Thursday Happy Hour, February 20

Back Nine Bar and Grill at Pasatiempo (555 Hwy 17 at Pasatiempo Exit) is our new location for Trinity's Happy Hour at 4 p.m. Invite a friend and come enjoy fine Food, Fellowship and Drinks!

News from Katheryn McGinnis

A holiday note with updated news from former pastor Katheryn is posted on the bulletin board nearest the office.

Presbytery's Unity Candle Moves to Monterey

The Christ Candle continues to be passed from church to church. Today, we remember the community, ministries, and staff of El Estero Presbyterian Church, Monterey.

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

- Tim Vincent's mother: thankful that she is recovering at home from recent hospitalization.
- Amy, Nancy Cheney's friend: safety for her son Noah who has been missing for several weeks.
- Our Nation: protection for the fragile principles of democracy.
- Victims of domestic violence: protection, strength, and courage.
- Jim Atwood: health issues.
- Timothy Yeane: gratitude for his presence with his father, Darrell.
- Bob Scott: ongoing health issues
- Ryan Althaus: dealing with life threatening health and underlying psychological issues; gratitude for church staff who are caring for him.

Blest Are They

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Gsus Leader or All G D C

1 Blest are they, the poor in spir - it; theirs is the
 2 Blest are they, the low - ly ones; they shall in -
 3 Blest are they who show mer - cy; mer - cy
 4 Blest are they who seek peace; they are the
 5 Blest are you who suf - fer hate, all be -

Dsus D7 Gsus G Gsus G

king - dom of God. Blest are they,
 her - it the earth. Blest are they who
 shall be theirs. Blest are they, the
 chil - dren of God. Blest are they who
 cause of me. Re - joice, be glad;

D C Dsus D Gsus G

full of sor - row; they shall be con - soled.
 hun - ger and thirst; they shall have their fill.
 pure of heart; they shall see God.
 suf - fer in faith; the glo - ry of God is theirs.
 yours is the king - dom; shine for all to see.

Refrain All C D7 G D Em G C G

Re - joice and be glad! Bless - ed are you;

Am A D C D7 Em Em7

ho - ly are you! Re - joice and be glad!

C Dsus D C G

Yours is the king - dom of God!