

**February 4, 2024**



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# Trinity Presbyterian Church

**10:30 a.m.**

**Sunday, February 4, 2024**

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## **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**

*Amanda Gorman*

*2017 National Poet Laureate*

There is always light. If only we are brave enough to see it. If only we are brave enough to be it.

## **Prelude**

*I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say*

Dale Wood

## **Introit**

*Come and Worship*

Karen Marrolli

## **Call to Worship** from Psalm 147 in Nan Merrill’s Psalms for Praying

One: We have come to worship, to sing praises to the Beloved, who abides in every heart that welcomes love.

**All: Praise God, the Beloved, Life of all life!**

One: Divine Love brings peace to the heart, peace that is beyond our knowledge.

**All: Divine Love cuts through the ignorance that fosters greed and arrogance, humbling and breaking open the heart.**

One: Divine Love severs the veil that separates the realms of sacred and profane, radiating holiness through all touched by Divine Love.

**All: May we, may all, awaken to Divine Love, that peace and integrity and assurance may be born again in every land.**

## **\*Hymn of Praise #356**

*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

## Call to Confession

One: Let us confess our sins before God and one another.

## Prayer of Confession

**All: God of shadows and light, God of hiddenness and revelation, forgive us when we miss your presence among us — when we overlook the love, when we turn our backs on hope, when we gaze too intently at ourselves, ignoring the blessed others that surround us. Forgive our insensitivity to the needs of others, and our failure to feed the spirit that is within us. Touch with your healing power the broken parts of ourselves, then take us by the hand and raise us up that we may serve you and one another, delighting in your will, and following in Jesus' ways. Amen.**

*Take time to offer silent prayers of confession.*

## Assurance of Forgiveness

One: Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel:

**All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven, and by the Holy Spirit we are empowered for new life. Amen.**

## \*Gloria

*Glory, glory, glory, glory be to God on high!*

*Glory, glory, glory, glory be to God on high!*

*And on earth peace to all people in whom God is well pleased.*

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## Anthem

*Healer of My Soul*

John Michael Talbot

*Healer of my soul, keep me at even,*

*Keep me at morning, keep me at noon,*

*Healer of my soul.*

*Keeper of my soul, on rough course faring,*

*Help and safeguard my means this night,*

*Keeper of my soul.*

*I am tired, astray and stumbling,  
Shield my soul from the snare of sin.*

*Healer of my soul, keep me at even,  
Keep me at morning, keep me at noon,  
Healer of my soul.*

### **Prayer for Illumination**

**Scripture Readings**            Isaiah 40:27-31  
   Mark 1:29-39

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon**                            Growing Spiritual Resilience                            Rev. Jane Grady

### **Prayers of the People**

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

**\*Hymn of Praise #377**                            *Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore*

### **Call to Offering**

**Offertory**                            *For This We Pray*                            Tom Birchwood

### **\*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**

**We dedicate to you, generous God, our lives. Receive these offerings as a sign of our gratitude and commitment. Amen.**

**\*Communion Hymn #507**                            *I Come with Joy*

### **Call to the Table**

One: With humility before God, and with love for all people, we come to the table of grace:

**All: Setting down our distractions and busyness, setting down our grievances and resentments, our worrying and our working, and our raging against the world ---**

One: Setting all this down to pick up a spirit of peace and fellowship and openness.

**All: Jesus said, "I am the bread of life. You who come to me shall not hunger; you who believe in me shall never thirst."**

One: In company with all who hunger for spiritual food, we come to this table of grace to know the risen Christ in the sharing of this life-giving bread.

### **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

One: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

One: Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them to the Lord.**

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

### **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.**

### **Sharing the Bread and Cup**

*The outer ring contains wine, the inner rings contain grape juice.*

### **Response of Thanksgiving**

**All: For the beauty of creation, the gift of life, and your presence with us now, we give you thanks, O God. Send us forth to be channels of your mission in the world, to build your community on earth as it is in heaven, and to share your**

mercy and grace in the communities of which we are a part.  
In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

\*Closing Hymn #386

*O For a World*

\*Blessing

\*Amen

\*Postlude

*Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

Joel Raney

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

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### **THANK YOU**

Pastor: Larry Vilaro  
Guest Preacher: Rev. Jane Grady  
Music Director: Nicki Kerns  
Lector: Michael Christie  
Greeter: Charlie and Gwen May  
Head Usher: Pete Halper  
Coffee: Charlie and Gwen May  
Flowers: Charlie and Gwen May

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

- Darrell Yeane and family: mourning the passing of Sue Yeane.
- Mackenzie Keller, the mother of Nicole Keller who passed away in December: gratitude for hosting a life-giving weekly experience of faith for Nicole's friends.
- Keith McKenzie, his family and friends: grieving the passing of Della McKenzie.
- Lorraine Vilaro: grateful for the support of the Trinity community as she makes her way through chemotherapy treatments.

## **We Welcome Rev. Jane Grady**

Rev. Jane Grady is a retired United Church of Christ pastor, living in La Selva Beach. While serving as a pastor at the La Selva Beach Community Church UCC, in her free time, she found great pleasure and joy getting involved with dog sports and dog training. Now that she is retired, she has found a way to combine her love of ministry and love of dogs by serving as a coach for the non-profit Living Unchained. Living Unchained unites at risk youth with rescue dogs for the purpose of their mutual healing and mastering of new skills. Jane also is involved with the local chapter of Guide Dogs for the Blind, and the library program, Tails to Tales, at which children have the opportunity to read to her certified therapy dog, Festiva.

## **Announcements**

### **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!

### **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 write "Deacons" in the memo line of your check to designate your contribution to the work of the Deacons.

### **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.

### **Church Office Job Opening**

If you know of anyone looking for a part time secretarial job, we have an opening in the church office. Contact Debbie Bates for more info.

## **Ash Wednesday Service, February 14, 5:30pm**

Join us as we begin Lent with a traditional Ash Wednesday service.

## **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, 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](mailto:lvilardo@earthlink.net), rather than the trinityscpastor email address.

## **The Great Chili Cook-Off, Friday, February 9, 6:00 - 8:30**

Jeff and Patti Lawton's chili won last Sunday's potluck cook-off and will be taken to the 7th Annual cook-off at Resurrection Church Community Meeting Hall, 7600 Soquel Avenue, Aptos. See Ellen Bauerle for tickets or get them at the door. Come and support Trinity's entry and the Mid-county Homeless Coalition shower trailer.

## **Heaven's Angels**

"We are confident, I say, and would prefer to be away from the body and at home with the Lord."

*-(2 Corinthians 5:8)*

It is not with misfortune that we look upon Millie Fitzgerald and Sue Yeane's passings, but joy as we remember their loving contribution to our lives.



# Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing 356

Robert Robinson, c. 1758

1. Come, Thou Fount of every blessing,  
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;  
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,  
Call for songs of loudest praise.  
Teach me some melodious sonnet,  
Sung by flaming tongues above;  
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it,  
Mount of God's unchanging love!
2. Here I raise my Ebenezer,  
Hither by Thy help I'm come;  
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure,  
Safely to arrive at home.

Jesus sought me when a stranger,  
Wandering from the fold of God;  
He, to rescue me from danger,  
Interposed His precious blood.

3. O to grace how great a debtor  
Daily I'm constrained to be!  
Let that grace now, like a fetter,  
Bind my wandering heart to Thee:  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,  
Prone to leave the God I love;  
Here's my heart, O take and seal it,  
Seal it for Thy courts above.

Tune: NETTLETON, opposite.

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It Is Well with My Soul

1. When peace, like a riv - er, at - tend - eth my way,  
 2. Though Sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should come,  
 3. My sin, oh, the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought!  
 4. And, Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight,

when sor - rows like sea bil - lows roll; what - ev - er my  
 let this blest as - sur - ance con - trol, that Christ has re -  
 My sin, not in part but the whole, is nailed to the  
 the clouds be rolled back as a scroll; the trump shall re -

lot, thou hast taught me to say, It is well, it is  
 gard - ed my help - less es - tate, and hath shed his own  
 cross, and I bear it no more, praise the Lord, praise the  
 sound, and the Lord shall de - scend, e - ven so, it is

*Refrain*

well with my soul.  
 blood for my soul. It is well with my soul,  
 Lord, O my soul!  
 well with my soul. It is well with my soul,

it is well, it is well with my soul.

## I Come with Joy

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DOVE OF PEACE 8.6.8.6.6

Brian Wren, 1968; rev. 1977

American folk melody  
Arr. Austin C. Lovelace, 1977

1. I come with joy to meet my Lord, For - giv - en, loved, and  
 2. I come with Chris - tians far and near To find, as all are  
 3. As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, Each proud di - vi - sion  
 4. And thus with joy we meet our Lord. His pres - ence, al - ways  
 5. To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound, We'll go our dif - ferent

free, In awe and won - der to re - call His  
 fed, The new com - mu - ni - ty of love In  
 ends. The love that made us, makes us one, And  
 near, Is in such friend - ship bet - ter known: We  
 ways, And as His peo - ple in the world, We'll

life laid down for me, His life laid down for me.  
 Christ's com - mu - nion bread, In Christ's com - mu - nion bread.  
 stran - gers now are friends, And stran - gers now are friends.  
 see and praise Him here, We see and praise Him here.  
 live and speak His praise, We'll live and speak His praise.

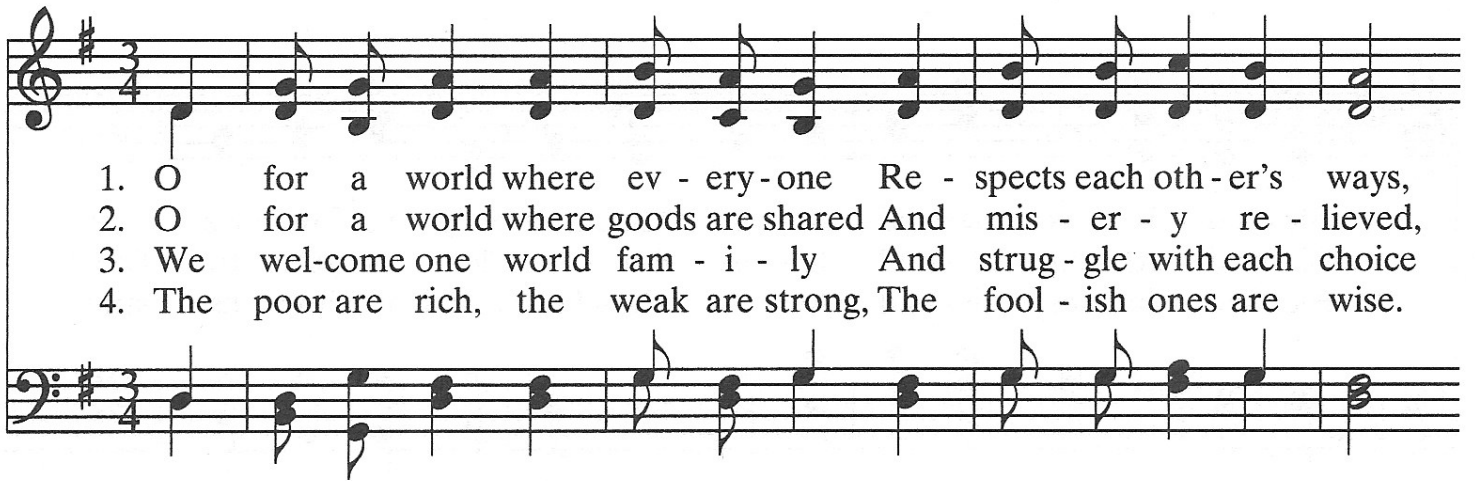
## O for a World

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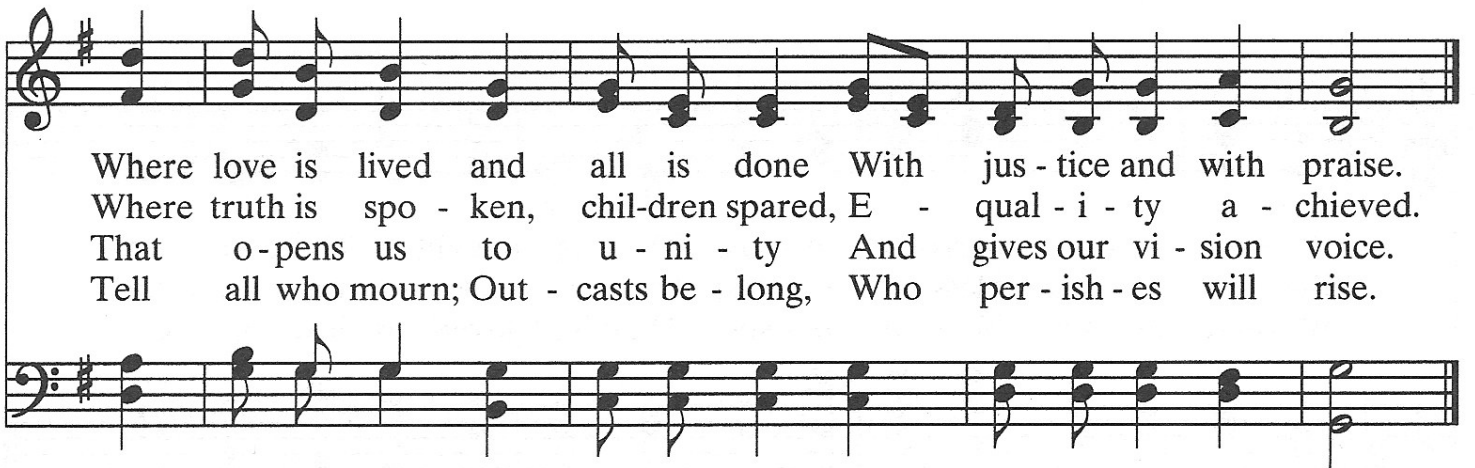
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Carl Gotthelf Gläser, 1828  
Arr. Lowell Mason, 1839

Miriam Therese Winter, 1987



1. O for a world where ev - ery - one Re - spects each oth - er's ways,  
2. O for a world where goods are shared And mis - er - y re - lieved,  
3. We wel - come one world fam - i - ly And strug - gle with each choice  
4. The poor are rich, the weak are strong, The fool - ish ones are wise.



Where love is lived and all is done With jus - tice and with praise.  
Where truth is spo - ken, chil - dren spared, E - qual - i - ty a - chieved.  
That o - pens us to u - ni - ty And gives our vi - sion voice.  
Tell all who mourn; Out - casts be - long, Who per - ish - es will rise.

5. O for a world preparing for  
God's glorious reign of peace,

Where time and tears will be no more,  
And all but love will cease.

Alternate version, 466

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