# March 3, 2024



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# **Trinity Presbyterian Church Third Sunday in Lent**

10:30 a.m.

Sunday, March 3, 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** Joy of Man's Desiring

Bach

Jesus, priceless treasure, joy of our desire, Truest friend to me.

How long I have panted, and my heart has fainted,

Thirsting, Lord, for Thee. Thine I am, Oh Spotless Lamb,

I will suffer naught to hide thee, nought I ask beside thee.

Prelude Lani Smith Lied

Introit Come To the Table of the Lord Jay Althouse

#### Call to Worship

The heavens declare the glory of God; One:

the skies proclaim the work of his hands.

All: Day after day they pour forth speech;

night after night they reveal knowledge.

One: They have no speech, they use no words;

no sound is heard from them.

All: Yet their voice goes out into all the earth,

their words to the ends of the world.

Let us worship God in the beauty of holiness.

\*Hymn of Praise #467

How Great Thou Art

#### Call to Confession

One:

The law of the Lord is perfect, refreshing the soul. The statutes are more precious than gold, than much pure gold; they are sweeter than honey, than honey from the honeycomb. By them your servant is warned; in keeping them there is great reward. But who can discern their own errors? God's law is a perfect mirror in which we can look into our own souls and see how we must change our ways in order to be changed into his image. Let us confess our faults so we can worship God face to face.

### **Prayer of Confession**

All:

Forgive our hidden faults, keep us free of willful sins, do not let them rule over us, for we wish to be blameless in your sight and Holy in your presence, so that you can be the center of our lives.

Take time to offer silent prayers of confession.

#### **Assurance of Forgiveness**

One:

For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

All:

Hear the Good News: in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and freed and made whole.

#### \*Gloria

**Anthem** 

The Heavens Are Praising

Beethoven, arr. Frackenpohl

The heavens are telling the Lord's endless glory, Through all the earth His praise is found. The seas re-echo the marvelous story, O man, repeat that glorious sound!

The starry hosts He doth order and number, He fills the morning's golden springs. He wakes the sun from his night curtained slumber,

O man, adore the King of Kings,

O man, adore the King of Kings!

### **Prayer for Illumination**

One:

As we worship, we desire to enter the Holy of Holies, the very house of God. As we read and hear the scripture this morning, may the Spirit lead us into the presence of Christ, who is the Holy of Holies and who invites us into the very house of God.

# **Scripture Reading**

John 2:13-22

13 When it was almost time for the Jewish Passover, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. 14 In the temple courts he found people selling cattle, sheep and doves, and others sitting at tables exchanging money. 15 So he made a whip out of cords, and drove all from the temple courts, both sheep and cattle; he scattered the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. 16 To those who sold doves he said, "Get these out of here! Stop turning my Father's house into a market!" 17 His disciples remembered that it is written: "Zeal for your house will consume me." 18 The Jews then responded to him, "What sign can you show us to prove your authority to do all this?"19 Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and I will raise it again in three days."20 They replied, "It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and you are going to raise it in three days?" 21 But the temple he had spoken of was his body. 22 After he was raised from the dead, his disciples recalled what he had said. Then they believed the scripture and the words that Jesus had spoken.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

**Sermon Jesus is the Center of Life and Love** 

Larry Vilardo

**New Member Reception** 

### **Prayers of the People**

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

## Call to Offering

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

### \*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

Christ who knew no sin became sin for us so that we might walk in faith and love. As Christ dedicates himself to be there for us we dedicate ourselves to be there for others in need. We know that when we do this we will tread the Holy Ground of the Patriarchs, Matriarchs, Prophets and Kings, seeing beyond the horizons of ourselves to God' greater purposes in Christ Jesus. Amen.

# \*Communion Hymn #461

God is Here

#### Call to the Table

One:

Jesus is the Holy of Holies. In his presence we are in the presence of the courts of heaven. He is present in the bread of life and the cup of salvation. His presence is not just in the Temple of brick and stone, He is present in our hearts. The invitation to this heavenly feast is extended to all whose hearts are seeking, the lost, the lonely and the needy, those who have plenty, those who are near and those who are far. All are called to the feast, the feast that feeds the body and the soul.

## 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

Holy Lord, we thank you that Jesus has bridged the distance between here and eternity. We give thanks that with the aid of the Holy Spirit, we can begin to see clearly to do your will on earth as it is done in heaven.

\*Closing Hymn #276

Great is Thy Faithfulness

\*Blessing

\*Amen

\*Postlude

Psalm 19

Benedetto Marcello

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

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### **THANK YOU**

Pastor: Larry Vilardo

Music Director: Nicki Kerns

Lector: Charlie May

Greeters: Dan Rutan & Fred Tomlinson

Head Usher: Pete Halper

Coffee: Tim & Mayre Vincent Flowers: Emily & Lee Duffus

# **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!

#### **Online Church Service**

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

## **Happy Hour Update**

Happy Hour will be on hiatus for the month of March for our Lenten Study Dinners. However, it will return on April 18th at a fresh location—Beer Thirty, located in Soquel on Main Street, just off the Porter Street Exit. See you there!

#### **Pastor Larry's Contact Information**

Due to technical difficulties, Pastor Larry is using his personal email, <a href="mailto:lvilardo@earthlink.net">lvilardo@earthlink.net</a>, rather than the trinityscpastor email address.

#### **Greetings and Thanks from Jana**

Thank you all SO very much for your get well cards, prayers, and a generous bonus. I miss working at Trinity, it was much more than a job for me, it was a home full of love. Hopefully I can attend services when I am feeling better. -Hugs from Jana

### Lenten Study Dinners, 5:30pm

Our Lenten Study continues on Thursdays: March 7th, 14th, and 21st in the Fireside room. Each week, we share a simple potluck dinner of soup, salad, and bread. This will be followed by the Lenten Study Series, "Jesus Sees Women," which focuses on Jesus' interactions with women. If you plan on coming to this week's (March 7th) dinner, please fill out the form below and place it in the offering plate. Thank you!

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

- Scott Whistler: thankful to be recovering well from chemotherapy and planning to join the choir for the Easter Cantata.
- Dan Lingenfelter, former guest choir member for our special Christmas and Easter services: looking forward to a smooth recovery from surgery to remove blood clots in his lungs.
- Nicki Kerns' cousin, Mike: no longer eligible for a heart transplant, resulting in a prognosis of less than a year to live.
- The Lawton's friend in Australia: diagnosed with intestinal cancer.
- The People in Gaza: suffering from starvation and unhealthy living conditions because of the refusal to permit transportation of necessary food, water, fuel, and medical supplies.

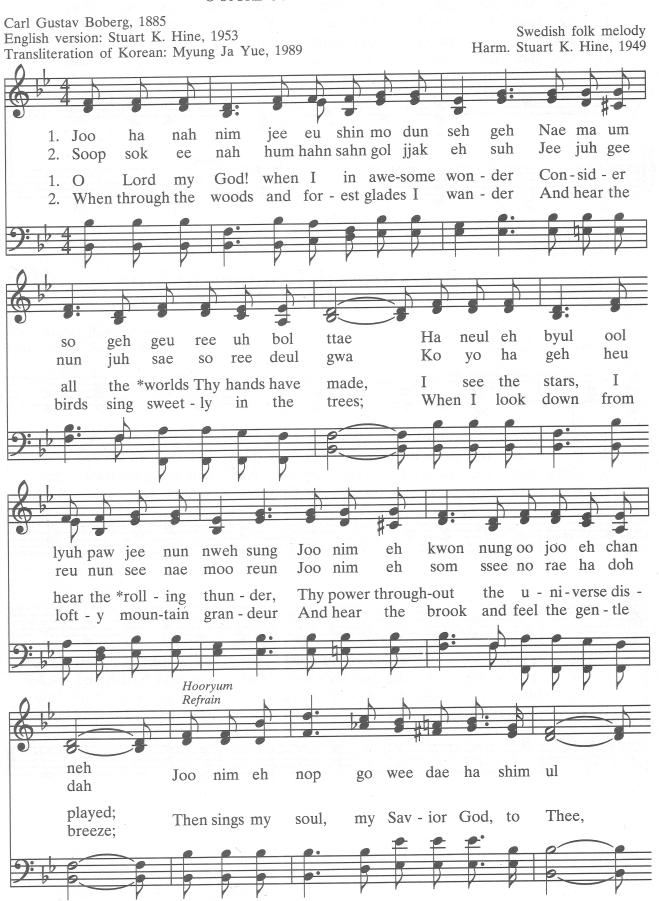
Please fill out the form below. Tear off and put in the offering plate.

Yes, I/we will be attending the Lenten Gathering Thursday evening, March 7th, beginning at 5:30 p.m.
Name(s):
I/we will bring (soup, salad, bread. No desserts, please)

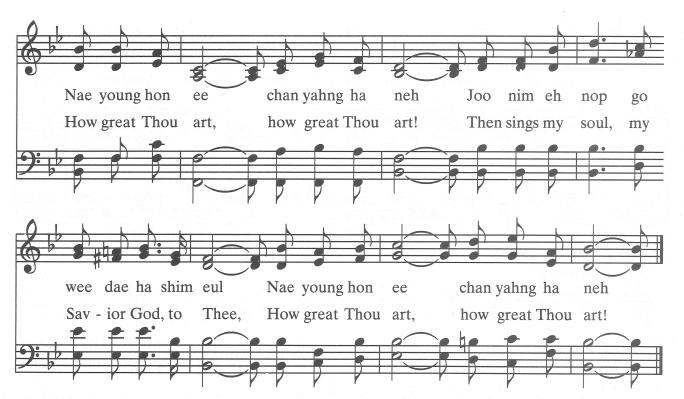
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# How Great Thou Art

O STORE GUD 11.10.11.10 with refrain



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3. Joo ha nah nim tok seng ja ak kim up

Oo ree rul wee hae ddang eh bo nae uh Seep ja ga eh pee heul lyuh juk keh ha

Nae mo dun chway rul goo sok ha shun neh

Hooryum

3. And when I think that God, His Son not sparing,

Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in; That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,

He bled and died to take away my sin; Refrain

4. Nae joo Ye su seh sahng eh dah see ol 4. When Christ shall come with shout ttae

Juh chun goo geu ro nal in doh ha ree Na kyum son hee up deu ryuh kyung bae ha myuh

Young won hee joo rul chan yahng ha ree rah

Hooryum

of acclamation

And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!

Then I shall bow in humble adoration. And there proclaim, my God, how great Thou art!

Refrain

<sup>\*</sup>Original English words were "works" and "mighty."

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# God Is Here!

ABBOT'S LEIGH 8.7.8.7 D





GOD

# 276

# Great Is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS 11.10.11.10 with refrain



<sup>\*</sup>Or "Great is Thy faithfulness, O God, Creator."

