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Welcome to Worship



Rebekah at the Well

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

Ron

Gracious God, forgive us when we fail to trust your guidance and resist the paths you set before us. Heal what is wounded within us and between us, refresh what is weary, and open our hearts to your presence. Lead us in the way of faithfulness and love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(Time for silent prayer.)

Assurance of Forgiveness and New Life (*responsively*)

Ron

Receive the good news: God's grace is greater than our failings, God's love is deeper than our fears, and God's mercy is new every morning. **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and set free to walk in faith. Thanks be to God. Amen.**

***Gloria**

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**

Diane

"The Peace of Christ be with you." "And also with you."

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

Word with the Children

Diane

Children are invited to go to Sunday School

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

Presbytery Unity Candle: We pray for Stone Church of Willow Glen, and Pastor Fred Harrell.

Pastoral Prayer

Hymn GH# 510 *Will You Come and Follow Me? (The Summons)*, vs. 1, 2, 5

The 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.

Anthem *Ye Shall Have a Song*, by Sherry Porterfield Choir

Ye shall have a song, let your voice be heard!

Ye shall have a song,

Let your voice, let your voice be heard!

Sing for joy!

Let it ring from the mountaintops

And echo through the valley, echo through the valley,

Echo through the valley.

Sing for joy, sing for joy, sing for joy, sing for joy,

Shout! Shout! Give thanks, all you people!

Ye shall have a song, let your voice be heard.

Sing joyfully all ye lands (sing for joy!).

Let the earth resound with praise (sing for joy!)!

With the trumpet and the harp,

With the timbrel and dance,

With your whole heart sing for joy!

*Ye shall have a song, let your voice be heard!
Ye shall have a song,
Let your voice, let your voice be heard!
Sing for joy!*

*Let it ring from the mountaintops
And echo through the valley, echo through the valley,
Echo through the valley.
Ye shall have a song,
Ye shall have, ye shall have,
Ye shall have a song!
Let your whole heart sing for joy!*

Prayer of Illumination (*responsively*)

Ron

Gracious God, by your Holy Spirit open our hearts and minds to your Word. Give us ears to hear, wisdom to understand, and courage to respond in faith. **Amen.**

Reading:

Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67

Ron

So he said, "I am Abraham's servant. The LORD has blessed my master abundantly, and he has become wealthy. He has given him sheep and cattle, silver and gold, male and female servants, and camels and donkeys. My master's wife Sarah has borne him a son in her old age, and he has given him everything he owns. And my master made me swear an oath, and said, 'You must not get a wife for my son from the daughters of the Canaanites, in whose land I live, but go to my father's family and to my own clan, and get a wife for my son.'

"When I came to the spring today, I said, 'LORD, God of my master Abraham, if you will, please grant success to the journey on which I have come. See, I am standing beside this spring. If a young woman comes out to draw water and I say to her, 'Please let me drink a little water from your jar,' and if she says to me, 'Drink, and I'll draw

water for your camels too,” let her be the one the LORD has chosen for my master’s son.’

“Before I finished praying in my heart, Rebekah came out, with her jar on her shoulder. She went down to the spring and drew water, and I said to her, ‘Please give me a drink.’

“She quickly lowered her jar from her shoulder and said, ‘Drink, and I’ll water your camels too.’ So I drank, and she watered the camels also.

“I asked her, ‘Whose daughter are you?’

“She said, ‘The daughter of Bethuel son of Nahor, whom Milkah bore to him.’

“Then I put the ring in her nose and the bracelets on her arms, and I bowed down and worshiped the LORD. I praised the LORD, the God of my master Abraham, who had led me on the right road to get the granddaughter of my master’s brother for his son. Now if you will show kindness and faithfulness to my master, tell me; and if not, tell me, so I may know which way to turn.”

So they called Rebekah and asked her, “Will you go with this man?”

“I will go,” she said.

So they sent their sister Rebekah on her way, along with her nurse and Abraham’s servant and his men. And they blessed Rebekah and said to her,

“Our sister, may you increase
to thousands upon thousands;
may your offspring possess
the cities of their enemies.”

Then Rebekah and her attendants got ready and mounted the camels and went back with the man. So the servant took Rebekah and left.

Now Isaac had come from Beer Lahai Roi, for he was living in the Negev. He went out to the field one evening to meditate, and as he looked up, he saw camels approaching. Rebekah also looked up and

saw Isaac. She got down from her camel and asked the servant, “Who is that man in the field coming to meet us?”

“He is my master,” the servant answered. So she took her veil and covered herself.

Then the servant told Isaac all he had done. Isaac brought her into the tent of his mother Sarah, and he married Rebekah. So she became his wife, and he loved her; and Isaac was comforted after his mother’s death.

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

All: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Rev. Diane Ford

Offering Our Lives to God

Diane

Offertory

By Waters Still, by John M. Rasley

Nicki

***Doxology PH #591**

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

Prayer of Dedication

Generous God, receive these gifts and our grateful hearts. Bless them and us, that in our faithful next steps we may share your love, extend your welcome, and serve your purposes in the world; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

***Hymn PH #354**

Guide My Feet

Announcements

***Blessing and Charge** (*responsively*)

Diane

What gives courage?

God’s love gives courage!

What gives hope?

God’s grace gives hope!

What leads us on?

God’s Spirit leads us on!

Amen! Go in peace.

***Amen**

Choir

***Postlude**

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee
by Joel Raney

Nicki

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

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

Special Thanks to Our “Sunday Saints”

Pastor: The Rev. Diane Ford

Music Director: Nicki Kerns

Lector: Ron Weaver

Usher: Pete Halper

Greeter: Kim Johnston

Coffee Hour: Pete Halper

Flowers: Kim Johnston

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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!



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. Thank you!

Pupusa Fundraising Luncheon Sunday, July 26! Benefiting al Salvador, Trinity's prayer children and their school. Enjoy great food, and music by our own Presbyterians in the Fellowship Hall after Service.

Book Club meets the third Monday of each month at 10:00 am in the Fireside Room. At our next meeting we will discuss "Theo of Golden" by Allen Levi.

Farm Worker Reality Tour in Watsonville, Sunday, July 12, presented by the Peace and Justice Working Group of the San Jose Presbytery.
Please see an extended announcement in our weekly newsletter.

Join us for the next Presbytery NEAR Gathering Saturday, September 26, where the theme will be: Christian Nationalism.
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The 227th General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church is currently taking place in Milwaukee. To learn more:

<https://pcusa.org/about-pcusa/church-structure/general-assembly>

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

- Ed Sams: undergoing chemotherapy treatment.
- Marta Narus: joy and happiness to see her back in worship.
- The Thormann Family: welcome great granddaughter Delilah the world, and resolving some health concerns.
- Barbara Lang: recovering from recent medical issues.
- Cornerstone Church of Silicon Valley and Pastor Joe Sohn.
- Derek Lauer: Prayers and thanks for Clara and Nancy, Esther's caregivers.

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