

March 16, 2025 ~ 10:30 a.m.

Second Sunday in Lent

Today: Urban Works



“How often I have longed to gather you as a hen gathers her chicks, and you were not willing.” – Jesus

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Prelude and Procession

Nicki Kerns

God So Loved the World, by John Stainer

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Diane Ford

Preparation for Worship

After his time in the wilderness Jesus turned his eyes to Jerusalem. Other Temptors came along – perhaps well-meaning Pharisees who warned him Herod was out to kill him. He is not stopped by this. Weeping over Jerusalem we hear his lament.

Introit

While We Are Waiting, Come; by Anonymous

Trinity Choir

Call to Worship (Responsive)

Michael Christie

The Lord calls out with love, longing to gather us in safety.

Like a mother hen gathers her brood, our God shelters us in grace.

Yet so often, we turn away, unwilling to receive our Mother's mercy.

Still, God's love remains, calling us home.

Come, with open hearts and willing spirits.

We come to seek the Lord and rest in the Mother's embrace.

Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord!

Let us worship the Lord of mercy and steadfast love!

*Hymn: GTG #361

O Christ, the Great Foundation

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Call to Confession

Michael

Let us hold space for the needs in this room, of which we are unaware. Let us pray for one another with tenderness as we name our deepest wounds, doubts, needs, and temptations. Come, let us pray together.

Prayer for Forgiveness and Healing (Unison)

Michael

Merciful God, you call us to walk in Your ways, yet we so often turn aside. You invite us to trust in your power, but we cling to fear. You send us out to do your work, yet we make excuses and hesitate. Forgive us, Lord, for the ways we resist Your calling. Heal the wounds of our doubt, our complacency, and our selfishness. Renew us by your Spirit, that we may love as you have commanded, that we may bear

witness to your grace, and that our lives may reflect the mercy we have received. We pray in the name of Jesus, who walks before us and leads us home. Amen. *(Take time to offer silent prayers.)*

Assurance of Forgiveness (Responsively)

Michael

Hear the good news: Our God is full of mercy, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love. Jesus did not turn away from his mission, and he does not turn away from us. In Christ, we are forgiven, healed, and made whole—set free to love and serve as he has called us.

Thanks be to God! Amen.

***Gloria**

Nicki's Gloria

Nicki

***Glory be to the Father, glory be to the Son,
And to the Holy Spirit, three in one,
Glory be to the Father, glory be to the Son,
And to the Holy Spirit, three in one,
As it was in the beginning, now and ever shall be,
World without end, amen.***

***Passing the Peace of Christ**

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

Message for the Children

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

Minute for Mission: One Great Hour of Sharing

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

Presbytery's Unity Candle: First Thai Fellowship P.C., San Jose

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

Steal Away, by Gwyneth Walker

Nicki

*Steal away, steal away, steal away to Jesus,
Steal away, steal away home. I ain't got long to stay here.
My Lord a-calls me, calls me by the thunder.
The trumpet sounds within-a my soul. I ain't got long to stay here.
Green trees a-bending, Poor sinner stands a-trembling, trembling,
trembling, trembling, trembling. The trumpet sounds within-a my soul.
I ain't got long to stay here. Steal away, steal away, steal away home.
Steal away, steal away, steal away home.
I see the lightning, The thunder and the lightning, O Lord.
The trumpet sounds within-a my soul. I ain't got long, I ain't got long,
I ain't got long to stay here.' My Lord calls me, calls me home.*

Prayer for Illumination

Diane

As we hear your written and proclaimed Word,
Speak, Lord, your servants are listening.

Readings

Luke 13:31-35

Diane

At that time some Pharisees came to Jesus and said to him, "Leave this place and go somewhere else. Herod wants to kill you."

He replied, "Go tell that fox, 'I will keep on driving out demons and healing people today and tomorrow, and on the third day I will reach my goal.' In any case, I must press on today and tomorrow and the next day—for surely no prophet can die outside Jerusalem!

"Jerusalem, Jerusalem, you who kill the prophets and stone those sent to you, how often I have longed to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, and you were not willing. Look, your house is left to you desolate. I tell you, you will not see me again until you say, 'Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.'"

One: The Gospel of the Lord. **All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Sermon

Rev. Diane Ford

Call to Offering

Offertory

Lied, by Lani Smith

Nicki Kerns

***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 (Responsively)**

Diane

God of the wilderness,

We give these offerings in gratitude,

rejoicing in the abundance of your gifts to us.

We give these offerings in faith,

trusting that you will provide for our needs.

We give these offerings in hope,

knowing you can use them to spread your love in this world.

And with these offerings, we give ourselves;

May we live with generous hearts, with open hands. Amen

~ written by Joanna Harader, and posted on her blog. <http://spaciousfaith.com/>



**Urban
Works**

Highlight: Urban Works

Katie Gentile, Exec. Dir.

***Hymn, GH #461**

You Are Mine, vs. 1,2,3

YOU ARE MINE

***Blessing and Charge**

***Amen**

Trinity Choir

***Postlude**

We Stand Together, by Lua

Nicki Kerns

Image on front cover: Artist: Anton Ignas Hamilton (18th c., Poland),
White Hen with Chickens, oil on canvas.

*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, Michael Christie; Ushers, Jeff and Patti Lawton
Greeter, Marta Narus; Flowers, Amanda Bell;
Coffee Hour, Kim Johnston
Audio/Video/Zoom Tech, Chad Bell & Chuck Cobery

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 refreshments in the Magnolia Courtyard (or Fellowship Hall if rainy/cold). We're glad you're here!

Online Giving & New Updates!

Our website has undergone some exciting changes! In addition to online giving, we now have an online calendar. [Stay tuned for more updates!](#)

New Announcement about Announcements!

Please turn in your announcements for the Sunday bulletin and/or weekly newsletter by **10:00 a.m. on Tuesdays**. Thank you!

One Great Hour of Sharing

OGHS makes a difference in the world. Our generous donations are divided into thirds for three programs: 1) Presbyterian Disaster Assistance 2) Presbyterian Hunger Program and 3) Self-Development of People. Please use the provided special envelopes. We will collect until Easter Sunday.

New Members Class: Sunday, March 30, 12:00-2:30 PM

Lent is a season of spiritual renewal, which includes our commitment to our faith community. Pastor Diane is offering a New Members Class, an opportunity to explore what it means to be part of Trinity and the wider PC(USA). Topics will include the Presbyterian Church's work nationally and globally, Trinity's mission and local outreach, the Presbyterian approach to Scripture and faith, the Book of Order and church structure, and, most importantly, our shared journey as disciples of Jesus.

Committee Locations and Times

Does the office know when and where your committee is meeting? Please inform the office, as this affects our custodian's schedule. Thanks!

Sacred Pause



Thursdays, March 20 - April 10, 6 PM - 8 PM

Music & Reflection for the Neighborhood

Potluck dinner, book study

Art for Children (ages 7-10)

The book: "Were You There?" by Luke A. Powery

If you plan on coming to this week's (March 20) dinner, please fill out the form below and place it in the offering plate. Thank you!

Trinity Happy Hour During Lent (NEW TIME), Tues., March 18, 5pm

Back Nine Bar & Grill (555 Hwy. 17 at Pasatiempo Exit) is our location for Trinity's Happy Hour at 5pm. Enjoy fellowship & outreach! Bring a friend!

Sweet Pea, March 22 and 29

Interested in learning to quilt or looking to get back into it? Grab a sewing machine and join Sweet Peas! Their next meeting is in the Youth Room on March 22 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:45 p.m.

Donate Used Electronics

The Welcoming Network seeks computers and phones for our neighbors. Donated laptops (PCs up to 10 years old, MacBooks up to 15), iPhones (4G/5G), Androids, iPads, and tablets will be erased, refurbished, and given to those in need. Non-reusable items will be recycled at Grey Bears.

Teen Tech Assistant Position

Trinity is seeking teenagers (ages 13-18) to assist with the operation of our computer for filming services, managing audio equipment, and handling handheld microphones, along with a few other minor tasks.

Hours: 2 hours per week, Sunday mornings from 10 AM to noon

Compensation: \$16.50 per hour or the option to earn volunteer service hours for school requirements.

Requirements: Some familiarity with computers, audiovisual, and electronic equipment is preferred; training on our equipment will be provided.

Additional: Applicants must provide a student work permit. No religious affiliation is required to apply or hold this position.

How to Apply: Applications are located on the bulletin board outside the church office in the hallway. Additionally, you may contact the office by email at trinitysc@sbcglobal.net.

Presbytery's Unity Candle Moves to First Thai Fellowship

Today, we remember and pray for the community, ministries, and staff of First Thai Fellowship Presbyterian Church in San Jose: Rev. Andy Wong, Rev. Lindsay Wong, and Rev. Paul Pansuay.

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

- Bob Scott: at home, regaining strength; grateful for prayer support.
- Don, Deb O'Connell's neighbor: healing and full recovery from recent surgery.
- Presbyterian sister churches in Syria and southern Lebanon: safety from violence and destruction.
- Ukrainians: continued support and safety for those standing up for democracy, and protection for those in the US who were legally admitted and are now facing possible deportation.
- Trinity's stained glass windows: grateful that they will soon be reinstalled after being reframed.

O Christ, the Great Foundation 361

1 O Christ, the great foun - da - tion on which your peo - ple stand
 2 Bap - tized in one con - fes - sion, one church in all the earth,
 3 Where ty - rants' hold is tight - ened, where strong de - vour the weak,
 4 This is the mo - ment glo - rious when he who once was dead

to preach your true sal - va - tion in ev - ery age and land:
 we bear our Lord's im - pres - sion, the sign of sec - ond birth:
 where in - no - cents are fright - ened, the righ - teous fear to speak,
 shall lead his church vic - to - rious, their cham - pion and their head.

pour out your Ho - ly Spir - it to make us strong and pure,
 one ho - ly peo - ple gath - ered in love be - yond our own,
 there let your church a - wak - ing at - tack the powers of sin
 The Lord of all cre - a - tion his heaven - ly king - dom brings:

to keep the faith un - bro - ken as long as worlds en - dure.
 by grace we were in - vit - ed; by grace we make you known.
 and, all their ram - parts break - ing, with you the vic - tory win.
 the fi - nal con - sum - ma - tion, the glo - ry of all things.

The text was written by a leading Chinese educator, author, and editor who chaired the commission that prepared an important ecumenical Chinese hymnal, *Hymns of Universal Praise* (1936). This familiar tune invites comparison of these words with its usual text (see no. 321).

Since 1938 Trinity has carried on a ministry of worship and service in the Santa Cruz community and has extended itself into the world through participation in regional, national, and international mission programs.

Trinity Presbyterian Church Supports/Sponsors

Presbyterian Missionaries in Congo: Jeffery and Christi Boyd

Indonesia: Bernie and Farsijana Adeney-Riskakotta

Mexico/US border: Craft Giron, Mark Adams, and Miriam Maldonado Escobar

Boy Scout Troop #618 ❖ Association of Faith Communities (AFC) ❖ CASA

Caring 4 Kids (Survivor Healing Center) ❖ Friends Outside ❖ Habitat for Humanity

Housing Matters Immanuel House (Synod of the Pacific)

Presbyterian Church, U.S.A. General Mission ❖ Rebele Family Shelter ❖ Santa Cruz al Salvador

Santa Cruz Pride Parade ❖ Shower the People ❖ Sweet Pea Project

Urban Works ❖ Wings ❖ Welcoming Network

Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.

Church Office Hours: Tuesday -Thursday 10:00a.m. - 2:00p.m.

Choir Practice: Sunday, 9:00a.m.

Trinity Church Officers

Session

Ellen Bauerle, Clerk of Session

Admin/Finance, Chad Bell (2nd Term ('27), Mayre Vincent (/27)

Mission, Church Cobery ('27); **Nominating**, Ed Sams ('25)

Outreach, Mayre Vincent ('27); **Personnel**, Debbie Bates ('26)

Worship/Christian Education, Ellen Bauerle, Michael Christie ('26)

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

Yes, I/We will be attending the Sacred Pause Lenten Gathering

Thursday evening, March 20th

Name(s): _____

Please circle one of the below. No Desserts please.

I/We will bring: soup salad bread