



TRINITY

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

A congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America

Worship the Lord with gladness
Come before Him with joyful songs

PSALM 100:2

DECEMBER 9
2018

WELCOME

We are delighted that you are worshiping with us this Lord's Day. Our hope is that you know the saving power and love of our King and Savior Jesus Christ as you worship with us. If you have any questions about Trinity, please fill out a visitor questionnaire, visit our church website, or contact Pastor Jared.

ABOUT TRINITY

Trinity Presbyterian Church exists for the glory of God. We seek to glorify God in three ways: to serve God in joyful, reverent worship; to serve God's people in discipleship and fellowship; and to serve the world in gospel witness.

REFLECTIVE READING

Do all the good you can, By all the means you can, In all the ways you can, In all the places you can, At all the times you can, To all the people you can, As long as you can.

- John Wesley's Rule

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Please return to Trinity for our Evening Worship Service
- Fellowship Groups | This Wednesday, December 12
North | Jeff & Hannah Najjar's home at 7:00 PM
South | Jim & Sandy Tuck's home at 7:30 PM
- Cookie Social | Bring your favorite Christmas cookies, dessert, or snack to the Snyder home this Friday, December 14 at 7:00 PM.
- Theology Group | Wednesday, December 19
- Lessons and Carols | Please join us on Christmas Eve at 6:00 PM to give thanks and praise to God for the wonder of the incarnation.
- Membership Class | Pastor Jared will be teaching a membership class beginning in January. If you are interested in church membership or learning more about Trinity, please let Pastor Jared know.

THIS WEEK

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| Today | Sunday School | 9:30 AM |
| | Morning Worship | 10:45 AM |
| | Evening Worship | 6:00 PM |
| Wednesday | Fellowship Group North | 7:00 PM |
| | Fellowship Group South | 7:30 PM |
| Friday | Cookie Social | 7:00 PM |
| Next Sunday | Sunday School | 9:30 AM |
| | Morning Worship | 10:45 AM |
| | Evening Worship | 6:00 PM |

WORSHIP PREPARATION

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Musical Preparation

MORNING WORSHIP

GOD SUMMONS US TO WORSHIP

Call to Worship Responsive Reading Isaiah 9:2, 6-7

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shone.

For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

Of the increase of his government and of peace there will be no end, on the throne of David and over his kingdom, to establish it and to uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time forth and forevermore. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this.

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn 300

Come Thou Long Expected Jesus

Hymn 303

All Praise to You Eternal Lord

GOD CALLS US TO REPENTANCE

Call to Confession *Westminster Shorter Catechism 84, 87*

Q 84. *What does every sin deserve?*

A. Every sin deserves God's wrath and curse, both in this life, and that which is to come.

Q 87. *What is repentance unto life?*

A. Repentance unto life is a saving grace, whereby a sinner, out of a true sense of his sin, and apprehension of the mercy of God in Christ, with grief and hatred of his sin, turns from it unto God, with full purpose of, and endeavors after new obedience.

Confession of Sin

Most holy and merciful Father; We acknowledge and confess before You; Our sinful nature prone to evil and slothful in good; And all our shortcomings and offenses. You alone know how often we have sinned; In wandering from Your ways; In wasting Your gifts; In forgetting Your love. But You, O Lord, have pity upon us; Who are ashamed and sorry for all wherein we have displeased You. Teach us to hate our errors; Cleanse us from our secret faults; And forgive our sins for the sake of Your dear Son. And O most holy and loving Father; Help us we beseech You; To Live in Your light and walk in Your ways; According to the commandments of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

GOD ASSURES US OF HIS GRACE

The Assurance of Pardon

Matthew 1:20-21

But as he considered these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary as your wife, for that which is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins."

Confession of Faith

Heidelberg Catechism, 1

Q 87. *What is your only comfort in life and in death?*

A. That I am not my own, but belong – body and soul, in life and in death – to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ.

He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has delivered me from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.

Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, also assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

Hymn

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

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Let all Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

Let all mor-tal flesh keep sil-lence And with fear and trem-bling stand —
 King of kings yet born of Ma-ry As of old on earth He stood —
 Rank on rank the host of hea-ven Spreads its van-guard on the way —
 At his feet the six-wing-ed ser-aph, Cher-ub-im with sleep-less eye —

Pon-der noth-thing ear-thly min-ded For with bles-sing in His hand —
 Lord of lords, in hu-man ves-ture In the bo-dy and the blood —
 As the Light of light de-scent-ed-eth From the realms of end-less day —
 Veil their fa-ces to the pre-sence As with ceas-less voice they cry —

Christ our God to earth de-sce-nd-eth Our full hom-age to de-mand.
 He will give to all the fa-ith-ful His own self for heav'-nly food.
 That the pow'rs of hell may van-ish As the dark-ness clears a-way.
 "Al-l-el-u-ia, Al-l-el-u-ia, Al-l-el-u-ia Lord most High!"

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 61, NIV

Pastoral Prayer

James 4:2b

You do not have because you do not ask.

Tithes & Offerings

Matthew 2:10-11

When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy. And going into the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh.

Hymn

Joy Has Dawned

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Dismissal for Nursery & Children's Lesson (Ages 4-8)

GOD SPEAKS TO US

The Preaching of God's Word

"The Christmas Story: Angels"

Rev. Dr. David Karlberg

Prayer of Response

Hymn 311

Hark the Herald Angels Sing

GOD SENDS US OUT

Benediction

Psalm 67:1-2

May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us, that your way may be known on earth, your saving power among all nations.

Threefold Amen

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SPIRITUAL HEALTH AT TRINITY

- Our church would glorify God in worship, discipleship & missions
- Praise God for His steadfast love & covenant faithfulness
- Disciples made and nurtured
- Open doors to proclaim Jesus Christ
- We would joyfully do all that Jesus says in his word
- We would be a church that loves God, each other & the lost
- Faithful gospel witness in Johnstown
- Grace and wisdom for our elders & deacons
- Jared, Kelsey, Charis & Emma Havener
- Jared’s D.Min. program

CHURCH FAMILIES

- Wilma Murphy
- Jeff & Hannah Najjar & Family
- Morgan & Kim Najjar & Family

PITTSBURGH PRESBYTERY

- Presbyterian Church of Pitcairn
Pitcairn, PA

GENERAL CONCERNS

- Salvation of family/friends
- The protection of the unborn
- The persecuted church
- America
- Salvation of our enemies
- The spread of the gospel
- Our political leaders
- The conversion of Muslims
- Johnstown & Pennsylvania
- The Middle East

MINISTRY AT TRINITY

- Sunday School
- Children’s Lesson
- Missions & Outreach
- Fellowship Group
- Music Ministry
- Evening Worship Service
- Preaching & Teaching Ministry
- Theology Group

HEALTH CONCERNS

- Jack Kinneer
- Becky Ickes
- Lindsey Lehman
- Bill McKelvey
- Donna Overdorff
- Wilma Murphy
- Jamie Hileman
- Mary Alice Williams
- Nick Protos
- Judy
- Cecil Lucas
- John Hugya

“And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of His glory in Christ Jesus.”

– Philippians 4:19

PRAYING FOR ALL WHO ARE CALLED

- Pray that the Holy Spirit will lead missionaries to prepared hearts. While some hearts resist the gospel, there are many who are hungry for spiritual reality.
- Pray for the provision of physical needs. Missionaries depend on others for their financial support. That can be burdensome. Pray that God would supply their every need.

PRAYING FOR SPECIFIC NEEDS

Jay & Holly Eastman

Berlin, Germany

- Praise that their currant church planting project in Berlin will become incorporated as a church in December 2018.
- Pray that financial needs will be met as the Eastmans transition to a new church planting project in Zehlendorf, Germany.
- Pray for Jay, Holly and their 3 teenage children as they leave “home” and friends to do God’s will in Zehlendorf

Paul & Crystal Henry

Trang, Thailand

- Praise for the continued growth of Servant of Grace Church in Trang.
- Praise and prayer as pastoral responsibilities at Servant of Grace Church have been turned over to Pho (national partner)
- Pray for the Henry’s Home Missionary Assignment (9/1/18 - 8/1/19) especially for the Henry children’s schooling – PJ (15), Calvin (12), Adele (11), Elizabeth (7)

PRAYER LIST

Kyria and Dean Baldwin

On furlough
Home Missionary Assignment

- Pray that their finances (as a newly married couple) will be met during HMA (which lasts until mid-late 2019) and when they return to the field.
- Pray that God will provide much needed guidance and will lead Kyria and Dean to the field/team that is His choosing.
- Pray for Dean and Kyria to be faithful servants in their local church in Oswego NY as they wait for specific direction for their ministry.

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