

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

February 15, 2026

GATHERING AND PREPARING TO WORSHIP GOD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Leader: Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed!

PRELUDE:

“Prelude in E Minor”

J.S. Bach

Readyng Our Hearts (A time of silent prayer and reflection in preparation for worshiping God together.)

Scriptures for Reflection and Memorization: Romans 12:4-5

“For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others.”

CALL TO WORSHIP (selections from Psalm 36)

Leader: Your love, LORD, reaches to the heavens, Your faithfulness to the skies.

People: Your righteousness is like the highest mountains, Your justice like the great deep.

Leader: How priceless is Your unfailing love, O God! People take refuge in the shadow of Your wings.

People: They feast on the abundance of Your house; You give them drink from Your river of delights.

Leader: For with You is the fountain of life; in Your light we see light.

People: Continue Your love to those who know You, Your righteousness to the upright in heart.

PRAYER OF ADORATION/INVOCATION

*GATHERING SONG:

“No Other Gods”

David Moffett

Acoustic Worship Team

Verse 1

The God of the heavens (echo), **the Ancient of Days** (echo)
The God of our fathers (echo) **and God of my praise** (echo)
The Alpha, Omega (echo), **Beginning and End** (echo)
Forever and ever (echo) **Your kingdom will stand** (echo)

Chorus

We come to bow before You now
We come to lay our lives down
We will have no other gods before You

**Nothing on earth will compete for Your throne
You are the sovereign I Am
And You reign in our hearts alone
We will exalt You on high forever
King of all kings and the Lord of all lords
We will have no other gods before You.**

Verse 2

**Our Maker Creator (echo) before time began (echo)
Messiah and Savior (echo), Redeemer and Friend (echo)
Our Rock of Salvation (echo), so faithful and true (echo)
We give all the glory (echo) and honor to You (echo).**

SCRIPTURE READING: Ephesians 4:1-7 (Pew Bible p. 1821)

As a prisoner for the Lord, then, I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received. Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to one hope when you were called; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

But to each one of us grace has been given as Christ apportioned it.

Leader: This is the word of the LORD.

People: Thanks be to God.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: (Unison prayer after a time of silent personal confession.)

Blessed Redeemer, the Son of the Most High God, Who is so loving toward us despite having been so despised and rejected by us; Who is so patient and forbearing with us despite the pain our sins brought upon You; Who shows grace upon grace toward us even when we disobey Your commands and dishonor Your name; grant that through Your wounds we would be healed. Forgive our selfish actions and self-centered attitudes, and so fill us with Your Spirit, that we might walk in Your ways, and speak of Your goodness and truth. Cleanse us from our sins that the radiance of Your glory might flow through us, and that those who are lost might come to know the love and acceptance that is ours through You, Christ Jesus our Lord, in whose name we pray.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON:

Leader: Through the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus, we are assured that there is no sin so terrible that God cannot forgive, and no hurt so deep that God cannot heal, when we repent and come to Jesus in faith. Therefore, with confidence, not in ourselves but in our Lord Jesus, receive the forgiving love of God; and, demonstrate that forgiveness that's yours in Christ by forgiving one another, in the power of the Holy Spirit, to the praise of the Father's glory.

*All: (Gloria Patri)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

ENCOUNTERING GOD THROUGH GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING: 1 Cor 12:12-20 (Pew Bible pp. 1785-1786)

Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ. For we were all baptized by one Spirit so as to form one body -- whether Jews or Gentiles, slave or free -- and we were all given the one Spirit to drink.

Even so the body is not made up of one part but of many. Now if the foot should say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," it would not for that reason stop being part of the body. And if the ear should say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," it would not for that reason stop being part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the sense of hearing be? If the whole body were an ear, where would the sense of smell be? But in fact God has placed the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be. If they were all one part, where would the body be? As it is, there are many parts, but one body.

Leader: This is the word of the LORD.

People: Thanks be to God.

Brad Nix

SCRIPTURE READING: Romans 12:1-5 (focus, verses 4-5; Pew Bible pp. 1763-1764)

Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God -- this is your true and proper worship. Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is -- His good, pleasing and perfect will.

For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the faith God has distributed to each of you. *For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others.*

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People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON: “Being the Body of Christ: Unity in Mission, Diversity in Gifting, Mutuality in Community”

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD THROUGH AFFIRMATION, OFFERING, AND PRAYER

*SONG OF REFLECTION AND RESPONSE: #547 “We Are God’s People”

**We are God’s people, the chosen of the Lord,
Born of His Spirit, established by His Word;
Our cornerstone is Christ alone, and strong in Him we stand:
O let us live transparently, and walk heart to heart and hand in hand.**

**We are God’s loved ones, the Bride of Christ our Lord,
For we have known it, the love of God out – poured;
Now let us learn how to return the gift of love once given:
O let us share each joy and care, and live with a zeal that pleases Heaven.**

**We are the Body of which the Lord is Head,
Called to obey Him, now risen from the dead;
He wills us be a family, diverse yet truly one:
O let us give our gifts to God, and so shall his work on earth be done.**

**We are a temple, the Spirit’s dwelling place,
Formed in great weakness a cup to hold God’s grace;
We die alone, for on its own each ember loses fire:
Yet joined in one the flame burns on to give warmth and light, and to inspire.**

THE CELEBRATION OF THE LORD’S SUPPER AND OFFERING

Invitation

Affirmation of Faith: The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through Him all things were made. For us and for our salvation He came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered death and was buried. On the third day He rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and His kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Words of Institution

Partaking of the Elements and the Giving of Our Offering

“More Love, More Power”
Acoustic Worship Team

Jude del Hierro

(Chorus)

**More love, more love,
More power, more power,
More of You in my life.
More love, more love,
More power, more power,
More of You in my life.**

**And I will worship You,
With all of my heart,
And I will worship You,
With all of my mind,
And I will worship You,
With all of my strength,
For You are my Lord.** (Chorus)

**And I will seek Your face,
With all of my heart,
And I will seek Your face,
With all of my mind,
And I will seek Your face,
With all of my strength,
For You are my Lord,
You are my Lord.** (Chorus)

(For those joining us in the Sanctuary this morning, you are invited, as you come forward to receive the Communion Elements, and as you feel so led, to place your offering in one of the plates up front. For those unable to be with us physically, you are encouraged to partake of the elements in your home at this time. Also, as you are able, we invite you to set aside your offering as an act of personal dedication at this time, either to be mailed in, dropped off at the church, or brought in when you are able to join us in worship. Let this time be one of receiving from and offering yourself to our Lord -- to the praise of His glory.)

Prayer of Commitment

***Sung Response (Doxology)**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.**

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER OF INTERCESSION/SUPPLICATION

THE 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.

BRINGING OUR WORSHIP INTO OUR WORLD

MINUTE FOR MINISTRY: Lenten Spiritual Disciplines for the Glory of God

*SENDING SONG: #552 “We All Are One in Mission”

**We all are one in mission, we all are one in call,
Our varied gifts united by Christ, the Lord of all.
A single, great commission compels us from above
To plan and work together that all may know Christ’s love.**

**We all are called for service to witness in God’s name.
Our ministries are different, our purpose is the same;
To touch the lives of others by God’s surprising grace,
So every folk and nation may feel God’s warm embrace.**

**We all behold one vision, a stark reality;
The author of salvation was nailed upon the tree.
Yet resurrected Justice gives rise that we may share
Free reconciliation and hope amid despair.**

**Now let us be united and let our song be heard.
Now let us be a vessel for God’s redeeming Word.
We all are one in mission, we all are one in call,
Our varied gifts united by Christ, the Lord of all.**

*BENEDICTION (adapted from Colossians 3:15-17)

May the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. May the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom, from the Spirit, with gratitude in your hearts. And whatever you do, may the Holy Spirit empower you to do it, whether in word and in deed, in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him. **Amen.**

Postlude:

“Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven”

arr. Lani Smith

ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Note: Church's email address – office@trinitychurchtroy.org. Website address – www.trinitychurchtroy.org.)

1. If you would like to help support the work of Hope 7 in our local community, we encourage you to drop off **non-perishable food items, toiletries and other hygiene items** either at Trinity Church, or at Hope 7 directly (M-F 9:30-11:45), or call Sue Laz (518-892-4042) to arrange for a pick-up.
2. **We are receiving new or gently used clothes for the Capital City Rescue Mission (CCRM).** There is a box in the narthex for donations. You may bring your items to the church or call Sue Laz to arrange for a pick-up.
3. **Church “business-style” cards** are available in the narthex. You are encouraged to take some to hand out as you invite others to join us in worship.
4. **Sunday morning prayer, 8:30-9:00am** in the Prayer Room/Library. Join us as we pray for Sunday's worship as well as other needs, concerns, praises and thanksgivings.
5. **Adult Sunday morning Bible Study** meets before worship (9:15-10:00am). We are in the midst of a study on the Spiritual Disciplines, but feel free to jump in and join us where we are.
6. To encourage us in the study of God's Word, the Inward Ministry Committee is providing a selection of Bible study booklets for personal Bible study. These can be found in the literature rack in the narthex.
7. **LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS, Wednesday evenings at 6:15 beginning February 18th.** You are invited to join us as we gather to share a meal of homemade soups and bread followed by an informal time of worship. If you would like to bring soup, bread, or cookies to share please indicate that on the sign-up sheet in the narthex.