

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

April 19, 2026

GATHERING AND PREPARING TO WORSHIP GOD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Leader: Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed!

PRELUDE:

“Andante”

Camille Saint-Saens

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

Scriptures for Reflection and Memorization: 1 Corinthians 12:7, 11

“Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good. . . . All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and He distributes them to each one, just as He determines.”

CALL TO WORSHIP (selections from Psalm 29)

Leader: Ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

People: Ascribe to the LORD the glory due His name.

Leader: Worship the LORD in the splendor of His holiness.

People: The voice of the LORD is powerful. The voice of the LORD is majestic.

Leader: The LORD is enthroned as King forever.

People: The LORD gives strength to His people; the LORD blesses His people with peace.

PRAYER OF ADORATION/INVOCATION

*GATHERING SONG: #293 “Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna!”

Christ is risen! Shout Hosanna! Celebrate this day of days!

Christ is risen! Hush in wonder: all creation is amazed.

In the desert all surrounding, see, a spreading tree has grown.

Healing leaves of grace abounding bring a taste of love unknown.

Christ is risen! Raise your spirits from the caverns of despair.

Walk with gladness in the morning. See what love can do and dare.

Drink the wine of resurrection, not a servant, but a friend.

Jesus is our strong companion. Joy and peace shall never end.

Christ is risen! Earth and heaven nevermore shall be the same.

Break the bread of new creation where the world is still in pain.

Tell its grim, demonic chorus: “Christ is risen! Get you gone!”

God the First and Last is with us. Sing Hosanna, every one!

SCRIPTURE READING: 1 Corinthians 12:4-11 (Pew Bible p. 1785)

There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work.

Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good. To one there is given through the Spirit a message of wisdom, to another a message of knowledge by means of the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by that one Spirit, to another miraculous powers, to another prophecy, to another distinguishing between spirits, to another speaking in different kinds of tongues, and to still another the interpretation of tongues. All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and he distributes them to each one, just as he determines.

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.)

O God, the Father of our Savior Jesus the Christ, Your covenant love is boundless and Your mercy is inexhaustible. You, Almighty God, are the Ruler of all things, perfect in Your judgments, and forever to be worshipped and praised. And so, with humility of heart and an awareness of our sinfulness, we ask You to cleanse our mind, body, and spirit of those sinful thoughts and actions that prevent us from experiencing the fullness of Your goodness and glory. Cast out every evil thought, every base desire, all envy and pride, all wrath and anger, all that is contrary to Your holy will. Give us instead a pure heart and an ever-deepening love for You, we pray in Jesus name.

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: Ephesians 4:7, 11-16 (Pew Bible p. 1821)

But to each one of us grace has been given as Christ apportioned it. . . . So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the

faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ. Then we will no longer be infants, tossed back and forth by the waves, and blown here and there by every wind of teaching and by the cunning and craftiness of people in their deceitful scheming. Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ. From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work.

Leader: This is the word of the LORD.

People: Thanks be to God.

SONG:

“Still the King”

Price/Cates/Mecum

Verse 1

**When I think of the cross
The cross of Christ
Praise begins to rise
Praise begins to rise
When I look on the Lamb
The wounded Lamb
My hands will lift to Him
My hands will lift to Him**

Chorus 1

**Isn't He worthy of all our worship
Isn't He worthy of the praises we bring
How could my heart not sing hallelujah
For the blood is still the blood
And the King is still the King**

Verse 2

**When I recount the cost
The cost of grace
You bought my sin and shame
I'll never be the same
When I look at my life
How good You've been
Oh I can't hold it in
I'll never hold it in**

Verse 3

**When I think of the tomb
The empty tomb
I'm filled with gratitude
Endless gratitude
For He defeated death**

**And He reigns above
No grave could hold His love
No grave could hold His love**

Chorus 2

**Isn't He worthy of all our worship
Isn't He worthy of the praises we bring
How could my heart not sing
Of all You've done for me
For the blood is still the blood
And the King is still the King**

SCRIPTURE READING: Romans 12:1-8 (Focus verses 6 through 8; Pew Bible p. 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. We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is prophesying, then prophesy in accordance with your faith; if it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach; if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully.

Leader: This is the word of the LORD.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON: "Every Member Ministry: Being the Body of Christ"

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

*SONG OF REFLECTION AND RESPONSE #571 "Christ, You Call Us All to Service"

**Christ, You call us all to service, call us all who follow You;
Plant in us a deep commitment all Your work and will to do.
Fire a passion for Your justice, in us kindle love of peace;
Help us heal the broken hearted, to the captive bring release.**

**Teach us how to work together, brothers, sisters, side by side,
Equal partners in the struggle, in the cause of truth allied.
To each one some gift is given, man or woman, young or old;**

Help us use each skill and talent Your great purpose to unfold.

**Let us be a servant people, reconciling, ending strife,
Seeking ways more just of sharing and of ordering human life.
Fill us with a glowing vision of this world as it should be;
Send us forth to change that vision into blest reality.**

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

"I Will Rise"
Acoustic Worship Team

Tomlin/Maher

Verse 1

**There's a peace I've come to know,
Though my heart and flesh may fail.
There's an anchor for my soul;
I can say it is well.**

Pre-Chorus

**Jesus has overcome,
And the grave is overwhelmed.**

**The victory is won,
He is risen from the dead.**

Chorus

**(And) I will rise when He calls my name,
No more sorrow no more pain.
I will rise on eagle's wings,
Before my God fall on my knees.
And rise I will rise (I will rise).**

Verse 2

**There's a day that's drawing near,
When this darkness breaks to light,
And the shadows disappear,
And my faith shall be my eyes.**

Bridge

**And I hear the voice of many angels sing:
Worthy is the Lamb!
And I hear the cry of every longing heart:
Worthy is the Lamb!
(Repeat)
Worthy is the Lamb!**

(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

*SENDING SONG: "Rise My Soul, the Lord Is Risen" *Robinson/Boswell/Papa/Thompson*
Acoustic Worship Team

Verse 1

**Rise my soul the Lord is risen
Come behold the empty grave
See the place where darkness laid Him
Sing for only hope remains
Hallelujah praise forever
Death defeated and life restored
By that great immortal power
Christ is risen arise my soul**

Verse 2

**Rest my soul the Lord is risen
Love's redeeming work is done
Now the Father sees His children
As He sees His sinless Son
Oh the wonder oh the glory
That same favor is now my own
Shame behind me grace before me
Christ is risen arise my soul**

Bridge

**Arise my soul arise my soul
Arise my soul arise my soul**

Verse 3

**Peace my soul the Lord is risen
Come and have your hope renewed
For this trial is brief and fleeting
Tears will turn to glory soon
Shout with joy and sound the triumph
Let the music of heaven roar
Let the boast of death be silent
Christ is risen arise my soul**

Verse 4

**Arise my soul for I am risen
Seated now with Christ my Lord
As my life belongs to heaven
Fear shall hold its sway no more
Onward upward toward the treasure**

**Filled with courage and endless hope
For this truth is mine forever
Christ is risen arise my soul
For this truth is mine forever
Christ is risen arise my soul (Bridge)**

*BENEDICTION (1 Thessalonians 5:23)

May God Himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Postlude:

“March Romaine”

Charles Gounod

ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Note: Church’s email address – office@trinitychurchtrov.org. Website address – www.trinitychurchtrov.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. (On Easter morning prayer time will be from 8:45-9:15.)
5. **Adult Sunday morning Bible Study** meets before worship (9:15-10:00am). We’re doing a short study (approx. 8 weeks) on “Revival: Spiritual Awakening in the Reformed Tradition.”
6. **Wednesday evening Bible Study** will meet on Wednesday, April 22nd, as we continue our study of Romans, with our focus on Romans 12:9-10. You can find the Zoom link at the church’s website under “Digital meetings” or as included here -- <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84268790436>.
7. **Spring Clean Up Day this coming Saturday, April 25th at 9:00** If you can help please speak with Andy Miller. The tasks to be done will be determined based on the volunteers available to help.
8. **Blood Drive – Saturday, May 2.** We will be hosting a blood drive with the American Red Cross. Please keep this in your prayers that God will bring donors to our church to help supply blood donations that are so desperately needed. Consider donating yourself -- your small act of giving blood can be a lifesaving blessing to someone in need. If you would like to provide some snacks for the donors we could use fruit juice boxes, oranges, granola bars or homemade cookies. If you would like to help during the drive either checking in donors or talking with them at the refreshment table, please speak with Peter Laz.
9. **Community Yard Sale, June 6th from 9-2.** If you would like to reserve a space, please speak with Andy Miller. If you would like to help with set-up, clean-up, or manning the food table or church information table, please speak with Sue Laz.
10. **Hearts of Hope Women’s Luncheon** to benefit Capital City Rescue Mission’s ministries for women and children will be held on **Friday, May 1st** at Wolfert’s Roost Country Club. Tickets are \$30.00 and RSVP’s are needed by April 22nd. Details are posted in the church office.
11. **Men’s Breakfast, May 16th at 8:30,** all men are invited to gather for breakfast and enjoy good food and fellowship. For more information or to RSVP please speak with Peter Laz.