

TRINITY

PRESBYTERIAN (PCA) • MURFREESBORO



March 29, 2026

**Honor God.
Welcome All.
Embody Christ's Reign.**

What to expect this morning at Trinity Presbyterian Church

Welcome

Whether this is your first time at Trinity or you have been coming for a while, we are so glad you are here. Trinity Presbyterian Church is a church filled with sinners who have been saved and are being made new by the grace of Jesus Christ. We believe that every human being, including you, has been created by God to glorify him and enjoy him forever - and that purpose finds its fulfillment in worship. Whether you are a committed Christian or just exploring the Christian faith, we invite you to join us in worshipping God this morning.

You should see a Connect Card in one of the seat backs in front of you. We would love for you to fill out a card so we can get to know you better and give you more information about Trinity. You can drop your Connect Card in the offering plate when it comes by about 30 minutes into the service, or you can fill it out online by scanning the QR code.

We have provided some answers to questions about Children's Ministry and Christian Education in the right column, but you can also feel free to ask the person sitting next to you or one of the Deacons in the lobby (you'll recognize them by their name tags) if you have any further questions. If you think of some questions later, feel free to email our church administrator Bob Alley at admin@trinityboro.com.

We pray you are encouraged by the Gospel of Jesus as you worship with us this morning!

With Joy,



Mitchell Carter, Senior Pastor

Children at Trinity

Children of all ages are welcome in our worship service. We believe that Jesus welcomes even the little children to come to him. Though their worship and engagement will look different as they grow, we are glad for them to begin learning now.

We also recognize that there may be times when they need a break from the larger gathering. For that we have the following options:

Nursery

Birth - Pre K

Overflow Room

A room with video feed of the service for anyone who might need a break from the larger gathering.

Nursing Mother's Room

Just outside the sanctuary double doors, immediately to your left.

Christian Education (CE)

(does not meet today)

Children (Infant - 6th grade) meet from 11:10 a.m. - 12:10 p.m. Infant-4th grade meet in the children's hallway and 5th-6th grades meet in room 201 in the youth wing.

Youth (7th-12th grade) meet in the youth wing from 11:20 a.m. - 12:10 p.m. and are taught by Pastor Ryan Hudson.

Adults (older than high school) meet in the sanctuary from 11:20 a.m. - 12:10 p.m. and are taught by Pastor Mitchell Carter or one of our ruling elders.

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

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Palm Sunday

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to all who will come, this church opens wide her doors and offers a welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Entering God's Presence

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Song of Entrance "Hosanna!"
Children's Choir

*Call to Worship Rev. Mitchell Carter

Our help is in the name of the LORD!

For he is the Maker of heaven and earth!

Rejoice greatly, O Daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your King is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

He shall speak to the nations, his rule shall be from sea to sea, from the river to the ends of the earth.

For how great is his goodness, and how great is his beauty! Save us, we pray, O LORD! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD!

From Zechariah 9 and Psalm 118

*Prayer of Adoration

***Hymn of Adoration**.....“All Glory, Laud, and Honor”
(verse 1 children and congregation join after)

1. All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to thee, Re - deem - er, King,
 2. The peo - ple of the He - brews with palms be - fore thee went;
 3. Thou didst ac - cept their prais - es; ac - cept the prayers we bring,

to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring!
 our praise and prayer and an - thems be - fore thee we pre - sent:
 who in all good de - light - est, thou good and gra - cious King!

Thou art the King of Is - rael, thou Da - vid's roy - al Son,
 to thee, be - fore thy pas - sion, they sang their hymns of praise;
 All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to thee, Re - deem - er, King,

who in the Lord's name com - est, the King and bless - ed One!
 to thee, now high ex - alt - ed, our mel - o - dy we raise.
 to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring!

Words: Theodulf of Orleans (ca. 820), translated by J. M. Neale (1854); Music: Melchior Teschner (ca. 1615).

Confession of Sin..... Rev. Ryan Hudson

Let us now confess our sins together:

O Lord and Master of my life, take from me the spirit of sloth, despondency, lust of power, and idle talk. But give rather the spirit of chastity, humility, patience, and love to your servant. Yes, O Lord and King, grant me to see my own transgressions, and not to judge my brother, for you are blessed, unto ages of ages. Amen.

A Prayer of Ephraim the Syrian

Silent Confession

Song of Confession..... “Trisagion”

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a time signature of 4/4. It consists of four staves of music with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: "Ho - - - ly God, ho - ly and might - y, ho - - - ly im - mor - tal one, have mer - cy, have mer - cy on us. mer - cy, have mer - cy. have mer - cy, have mer - cy on us." The score includes first and second endings (1.2. and 3.) and a repeat sign.

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***Assurance of Pardon & Comfort**

Surely, he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned - every one - to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

Isaiah 53:4-6

Restore to us the joy of your salvation, and uphold us with a willing spirit. Amen.

From Psalm 51:12

***Extending God's Welcome of Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you!

And also with you!

At this time we greet those around us by saying "The peace of Christ be with you." This reminds us that the peace and forgiveness we have been freely given by Jesus also enable us to extend peace and forgiveness to others.

*Song of Renewal.....“O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus!”



1. O the__ deep, deep love of__ Je - sus, vast, un - meas - ured, bound - less, free!
2. O the__ deep, deep love of__ Je - sus! Spread his__ praise from shore to shore.
3. O the__ deep, deep love of__ Je - sus, love of__ ev' - ry love the best!



Roll - ling__ as a might - y__ o - cean in its__ full - ness o - ver me.
How he__ lov - eth, e - ver__ lov - eth, chang - eth__ nev - er, nev - er - more.
'Tis an__ o - cean vast of__ bless - ing, 'tis a__ ha - ven sweet of rest.



Un - der - neath me, all a - round me is the__ cur - rent of thy__ love;
How he__ watch - es o'er his__ loved ones, died to__ call them all his__ own;
O the__ deep, deep love of__ Je - sus, 'tis a__ heav'n of heav'ns to__ me;



lead - ing__ on - ward, lead - ing__ home - ward to Thy__ glor - ious rest a - bove.
how for__ them he in - ter - ce - deth, watch - eth__ o'er them from the throne.
and it__ lifts me up to__ glo - ry for it__ lifts me up__ to Thee.

Words: Samuel T. Francis (1834-1925); Music: Thomas John Williams (1890).

Committing to God's Kingdom

*Confession of Faith

Christian, in whom do we believe?

**We believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.**

**We believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended into hell.**

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic¹ church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Apostles' Creed

Kingdom Reading Ben Whisenant

Old Testament Reading - Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

¹ Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
for his steadfast love endures forever!

² Let Israel say,
“His steadfast love endures forever.”

¹⁹ Open to me the gates of righteousness,
that I may enter through them
and give thanks to the LORD.

²⁰ This is the gate of the LORD;

the righteous shall enter through it.

²¹ I thank you that you have answered me
and have become my salvation.

²² The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone.

²³ This is the LORD's doing;
it is marvelous in our eyes.

²⁴ This is the day that the LORD has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

²⁵ Save us, we pray, O LORD!
O LORD, we pray, give us success!

²⁶ Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD!
We bless you from the house of the LORD.

²⁷ The LORD is God,
and he has made his light to shine upon us.
Bind the festal sacrifice with cords,
up to the horns of the altar!

²⁸ You are my God, and I will give thanks to you;
you are my God; I will extol you.

²⁹ Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
for his steadfast love endures forever!

This is the Word of the LORD.

Thanks be to God!

New Testament Reading - Matthew 21:1-11

¹ Now when they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, ² saying to them, "Go into the village in front of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to me. ³ If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, 'The Lord needs them,' and he will send them at once." ⁴ This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying,

⁵ "Say to the daughter of Zion,
'Behold, your king is coming to you,
humble, and mounted on a donkey,
on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.'"

⁶ The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them. ⁷ They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their cloaks, and he sat on them. ⁸ Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. ⁹ And the crowds that went before him and that followed him were shouting, “Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!” ¹⁰ And when he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred up, saying, “Who is this?” ¹¹ And the crowds said, “This is the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth of Galilee.”

This is the glorious gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ!
Glory be to you, Lord Christ!

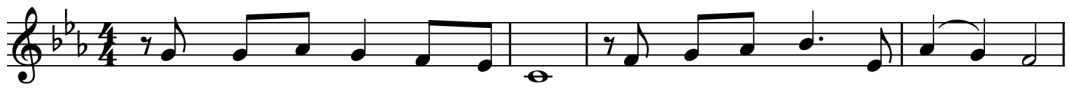
Prayer of Intercession (followed by a time of silent prayer)Pleun Troost

Common Prayer

Let us now join our voices together praying:

Almighty and Everliving Father, in your tender love for humanity, you sent your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon him our human nature and to suffer death upon the cross, giving us the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant that we may walk in the way of his suffering, and also share in his resurrection for your glory’s sake. Amen.

Kingdom Giving & Song of Meditation.....“The Servant King”



1. From heav'n you came, help - less babe, en - tered our world, your glo - ry veiled;
2. There in the gar - den of tears, my heav - y load he chose to bear;
3. Come see his hands and his feet, the scars that speak of sac - ri - fice,
4. So let us learn how to serve, and in our lives en - throne him;



not to be served but to serve, and give your life that we might live.
his heart with sor - row was torn. “Yet not my will, but yours,” he said.
hands that flung stars in - to space, to cru - el nails sur - ren - dered.
each oth - er's needs to pre - fer, for it is Christ we're ser - ving.



This is our God, the Ser - vant King, he calls us now to fol - low him,



to bring our lives as a dai - ly of - fer - ing of wor - ship to the Ser - vant King.

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*Doxology

Listening to God's Word

“Following Jesus”

Philippians 2:1-11

Rev. Mitchell Carter

¹ So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, ² complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. ³ Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. ⁴ Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. ⁵ Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, ⁶ who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, ⁷ but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. ⁸ And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. ⁹ Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰ so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹ and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Feasting at God's Table

Holy Communion

Trinity Presbyterian Church welcomes all baptized Christians who are willing to forsake their sins and trust in Jesus for salvation, and who are members in good standing of a congregation that proclaims the gospel, to receive Holy Communion with us. Baptized covenant children who have not made profession of faith before the elders should abstain from communion until they are received as communing members by the Session. TPC serves wine and grape juice for communion. The clear cups contain wine and the purple cups contain grape juice. The communion bread in the purple cups is gluten free. Please hold your cups and we will take them all together.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

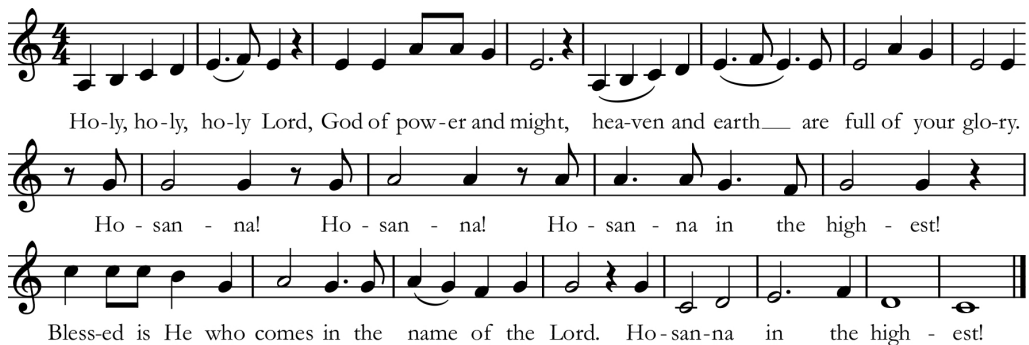
Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to our Lord God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is indeed good, right, and our delight that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we praise and magnify your glorious Name, evermore praising You and singing. . .



Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of pow-er and might, hea-ven and earth__ are full of your glo-ry.

Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na in the high - est!

Bless-ed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est!

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Prayer of Consecration

Words of Institution

Response of the People

Christ our Passover was sacrificed for us!

Hallelujah!

Let us proclaim the mystery of the faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. Hallelujah!

And now Our Holy Master, that with boldness and without condemnation, we dare to call upon You, the Heavenly God, as our Father, and to say. . .

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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

The holy gifts of God for the holy people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith and with thanksgiving. Let us partake of the feast!

Song of Communion.....“Behold the Lamb”



1. Be - hold the Lamb who bears our sins a - way, slain for us, and we re - mem - ber
2. The bo - dy of our Sav - ior Je - sus Christ, torn for you, eat and re - mem - ber;
3. The blood that clean - ses ev' - ry stain of sin, shed for you, drink and re - mem - ber
4. And so with thank - ful - ness and faith we rise to res - pond and to re - mem - ber



the pro - mise made that all who come in faith find for - give - ness at the cross.
the wounds that heal, the death that brings us life paid the price to make us one.
he drained death's cup that all may en - ter in to re - ceive the life of God.
our call to fol - low in the steps of Christ as his bo - dy here on earth.



So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of his sac - ri - fice
So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of his sac - ri - fice
So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of his sac - ri - fice
As we share in his suf - fer - ing, we pro - claim Christ will come a - gain!



as a sign of our bonds of peace a - round the tab - le of the King.
as a sign of our bonds of love a - round the tab - le of the King.
as a sign of our bonds of grace a - round the tab - le of the King.
And we'll join in the feast of heav'n a - round the tab - le of the King.

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Going Out With God's Blessing

*Song of Sending.....“Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery”



1. Come be - hold the won - drous my - st'ry in the dawn - ing of the King.
2. Come be - hold the won - drous my - st'ry, He the per - fect Son of Man.
3. Come be - hold the won - drous my - st'ry, Christ the Lord up - on the tree.
4. Come be - hold the won - drous my - st'ry, slain by death, the God of life.



He the theme of heav - en's prais - es robed in frail hu - man - i - ty.
In His liv - ing, in His suf - f'ring, ne - ver trace, nor stain of sin.
In the stead of ru - ined sin - ners hangs the Lamb in vic - to - ry.
But no grave could e'er re - strain Him. Praise the Lord, He is a - live!



In our long - ing, in our dark - ness, now the light of life has come.
See the true and bet - ter A - dam, come to save the hell - bound man.
See the price of our re - demp - tion, see the Fa - ther's plan un - fold.
What a fore - taste of de - liv - 'rance, how un - wa - ver - ing our hope.



Look to Christ, who con - de - scend - ed, took on flesh to ran - som us.
Christ, the great and sure ful - fill - ment of the law, in Him we stand.
Bring - ing ma - ny sons to glo - ry; grace un - meas - ured, love un - told.
Christ in po - wer re - sur - rec - ted, as we will be when He comes.

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***The Sending**

Then Jesus told his disciples, “If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.”

Matthew 16:24-25

With the Lord’s help we will do this.

***Benediction**

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God the Father and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

From 2 Corinthians 13:14

Amen!

***Postlude**

This Week at Trinity

Sunday, March 29	Christian Education Not Meeting Trinity Choir Rehearsal 11:15 a.m. Palm Sunday Evening 6:00 - 6:45 p.m
Monday, March 30	Evening Worship 6:00 - 6:30 p.m. followed by a light dinner
Tuesday, March 31	Evening Worship 6:00 - 6:30 p.m. followed by a light dinner
Wednesday, April 1	Evening Worship 6:00 - 6:30 p.m. followed by a light dinner
Thursday, April 2	Maundy Thursday 6:00 - 7:15 p.m. (Nursery available for ages Infant - 2 years)
Friday, April 3	Good Friday Service 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. (Nursery available for ages Infant - PreK)

Upcoming Events

Drama Camp | June 8-13 | 9:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

Early Bird Registration for \$20 opens April 6. Go to www.trinitymboro.com for more information.

Year-End Giving Statements

If you would like a copy of your year-end giving statement, please send an email to admin@trinitymboro.com to request an electronic copy. If you need a printed copy, please find Paul Shearer after the service and a printed copy will be provided.

Join the TPC Men's Softball Team

The Spring Season starts April 6. If you are interested in being part of the team, please contact Chris Nowlin at 615-513-9778 ASAP. There are limited spots available. Players must be 16 years or older. If one is under 18, a parent permission form will have to be submitted.

Service Opportunities

Men's Work Day | April 11 | 8:00 a.m. - till

Men of Trinity, we have scheduled a long overdue workday at the church to clean up the property. We have dead trees to cut, brush piles to move and burn and various other exterior projects. Many hands make a difficult task easy, so we would love to have a great turnout! We will have a light breakfast at 8 AM and then should be able to knock everything out in a few hours. Please bring any tools that may be useful (chain saw, lopper, rake, shovel etc.).

Wednesday Night Children's Classes & Nursery

We have all those teaching the classes already committed but need helpers in classes and volunteers in the nursery. You don't have to sign up to help every Wednesday. You can just sign up to help as you desire. If you'd like to help in those areas, you can go to the link in the enews. If you have questions about those positions, you can email Sherry Nowlin at children@trinitymboro.com.

Drama Camp Volunteer Youth Interns Needed | June 8-13

Rising 7th graders-graduating Seniors can apply at dramacamp@trinitymboro.com. Please apply early as spots are limited.

Holy Week Services

Palm Sunday Evening

March 29 | 6:00 - 6:45 p.m.

Monday Evening

March 30 | 6:00 - 6:30 p.m.
followed by a light dinner

Tuesday Evening

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Wednesday Evening

April 1 | 6:00 - 6:30 p.m.
followed by a light dinner

Maundy Thursday

April 2 | 6:00 - 7:15 p.m.
(Nursery available for ages 0 - 3 yrs)

Good Friday

April 3 | 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.
(Nursery available for ages 0 - 3 yrs)

Easter Sunrise Service

April 5 | 6:15 a.m.
followed by a potluck breakfast

Easter Sunday Worship

April 5 | 10:00 a.m.
(Nursery available for ages 0 - 3 yrs)

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