

Reflection

“A Christian man is the most free lord of all, and subject to none;
a Christian man is the most dutiful servant of all, and subject to every one.”

~Martin Luther

ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

Doxology

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

Call to Worship

Psalm 100:1-3

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!

People: Know that the Lord, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Invocation

Hymn of Praise

Come, Thou Almighty King #101

Responsive Praise

Leader: O LORD, God of Israel, there is no God like you, in heaven above or on earth beneath, keeping covenant and showing steadfast love to your servants who walk before you with all their heart. (1 Kings 8:23)

People: But will God indeed dwell on the earth? Behold, heaven and the highest heaven cannot contain you; how much less this house that I have built! (1 Kings 8:27)

Leader: O LORD, the God of Israel, enthroned above the cherubim, you are the God, you alone, of all the kingdoms of the earth; you have made heaven and earth. (2 Kings 19:15)

People: And I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and its lamp is the Lamb. (Revelation 21:22-23)

Prayer of Adoration

Hymn of Praise

Creation Sings the Father's Song

*1. Creation sings the Father's song; He calls the sun to wake the dawn
And run the course of day- 'til evening falls in crimson rays.
His fingerprints in flakes of snow- His breath upon this spinning globe,
He charts the eagle's flight- Commands the newborn baby's cry.*

CHORUS:

*Hallelujah! Let all creation stand and sing,
"Hallelujah!" Fill the earth with songs of worship;
Tell the wonders of creation's King.*

*2. Creation gazed upon His face- the ageless One in time's embrace
Unveiled the Father's plan- of reconciling God and man.
A second Adam walked the earth- whose blameless life would break the
curse, Whose death would set us free- to live with Him eternally.*

CHORUS

*3. Creation longs for His return- when Christ shall reign upon the earth;
The bitter wars that rage- are birth pains of a coming age.*

*When He renews the land and sky- all heav'n will sing and earth reply
With one resplendent theme: The glories of our God and King!*

CHORUS x 2

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CONFESSING OUR SIN

Prayer of Confession

Words of Comfort and Promise

Isaiah 54:8

“In overflowing anger for a moment
I hid my face from you,
but with everlasting love I will have compassion on you,”
says the Lord, your Redeemer.

Song of Response

Before the Throne of God Above

*1. Before the throne of God above; I have a strong and perfect plea.
A great High Priest whose name is Love; Who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on his hands; my name is written on his heart.
I know that while in heav'n he stands no tongue can bid me thence depart,
No tongue can bid me thence depart.*

*2. When Satan tempts me to despair and tells me of the guilt within,
Upward I look and see him there; who made an end to all my sin.
Because the sinless Savior died; my sinful soul is counted free.
For God, the Just is satisfied; to look on him and pardon me,
To look on him and pardon me.*

*3. Behold him there! The Risen Lamb; my perfect spotless Righteousness.
The great unchangeable I Am; the King of Glory and of grace.
One with Himself I cannot die; my soul is purchased by his blood.
My life is hid with Christ on high; with Christ my Savior and my God,
With Christ my Savior and my God.*

Alt. Words and Music by Vikki Cook

RENEWING OUR FAITH

Confession of Faith

from *The Heidelberg Catechism* Q. #26

Q. What do you believe when you say, “I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth”?

A. That the eternal Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who out of nothing created heaven and earth and everything in them, who still upholds and rules them by his eternal counsel and providence, is my God and Father because of Christ the Son. I trust God so much that I do not doubt he will provide whatever I need for body and soul, and will turn to my good whatever adversity he sends upon me in this sad world. God is able to do this because he is almighty God and desires to do this because he is a faithful Father.

Old Testament Reading

Peter Sullivan, Deacon
Reader: The Word of the Lord
People: Amen!

Psalms 133 & 134

(Pew Bible p.519)

Hymn of Preparation

Take My Life, and Let It Be #585

Children in K5 through 1st grade may be dismissed for Children's Worship at this time. This is optional. Children are welcome to remain with their parents during the sermon. The children will study the same passage as the sermon, so your family can to discuss the passage together after church if you wish. Please pick up your children in the classrooms downstairs promptly after service.

Proclamation of God's Word

Rev. Stephen J. Casselli, Ph.D., Senior Minister

Romans 14:13-23 ~ Love and Liberty
(Pew Bible p. 949)

RESPONDING IN THANKS

Prayers of the People

Collection of Offering

Closing Hymn

Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken

*1. Jesus, I my cross have taken, all to leave and follow Thee.
Destitute, despised, forsaken, Thou from hence my all shall be.
Perish every fond ambition, all I've sought or hoped or known.
Yet how rich is my condition! God and heaven are still my own.*

*2. Let the world despise and leave me, they have left my Savior, too.
Human hearts and looks deceive me; Thou art not, like them, untrue.
O while thou dost smile upon me, God of wisdom, love and might,
Foes may hate and friends disown me, show Thy face and all is bright.*

*3. Man may trouble and distress me, 'twill but drive me to Thy breast.
Life with trials hard may press me; heaven will bring me sweeter rest.
Oh, 'tis not in grief to harm me- while thy love is left to me.
Oh, 'twere not in joy to charm me- were that joy unmixed with Thee.*

*4. Go, then, earthly fame and treasure- come disaster, scorn and pain.
In Thy service, pain is pleasure- with thy favor loss is gain.
I have called thee Abba Father. I have stayed my heart on Thee.
Storms may howl and clouds may gather; All must work for good to me.*

*5. Soul, then know thy full salvation- rise o'er sin and fear and care.
Joy to find in every station- something still to do or bear.
Think what Spirit dwells within thee- think what Father's smiles are thine.
Think that Jesus died to win thee- child of heaven, canst thou repine.*

*6. Haste thee on from grace to glory- armed by faith, and winged by prayer.
Heaven's eternal days before thee- God's own hand shall guide us there.
Soon shall close thy earthly mission, soon shall pass thy pilgrim days.
Hope shall change to glad fruition, faith to sight, and prayer to praise.*

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Benediction

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to our Visitors! We are glad you are worshipping with us today! **Please help us greet you by completing the Welcome Card (located in the pew pockets) and placing it in the offering plate.** We would love to have you join us in the Courtyard for coffee and donuts after the service.

Middle & High School Small Group- will be meeting in the Annex **tonight at 6:00 pm** for sermon discussion.

Young Adults - Please join us this Thursday, **October 19th at 7:00 pm** for a time of fellowship. We'll hear testimonies from Dustyn and Julie Eudaly and enjoy light refreshments. This will take place at the home of Wink & Gretchen Hall - 3614 W. Jetton Ave. Tampa, FL 33629. All are welcome!

Reformation Service-This year marks the 500th anniversary of the Reformation! Please plan to join us, along with other PCA churches from our Presbytery, for a special service on **Sunday, October 29th at 6:00 pm here at HTPC**. If you are able, please bring a tray of finger foods to share after the service in the Fellowship Hall. Nursery will be provided for 3 yrs. and younger.

Reformation Service Choir-If you would like to participate in the choir for this special service please come at 4:50 pm the day of (Oct. 29th) to practice for the 6:00 pm worship service.

Lost & Found-We have many items that need to be claimed! Please take a moment and check the lost & found table in the Fellowship Hall. All unclaimed items will be discarded or donated.

Stewardship Report— Operating Account as of September 30, 2017

Budgeted Receipts	\$903,423
Actual Receipts	<u>698,263</u> (77% of budget)
Shortfall	(\$205,160)



Romans 14: 13-23 ~ Love and Liberty

I. Will my actions cause another believer to stumble?

What does it mean to cause someone to stumble?

II. Will my actions go against my own conscience?

What does it mean to do something against your conscience?

Why is this so dangerous to do?

III. Is this a matter where the gospel is in danger?

Conclusion: What is Paul really calling us to do?

WELCOME

HOLY TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

is a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA) and exists to proclaim the gospel and make disciples to the glory of the triune God.

We are glad you are worshipping with us today. We invite you to join us for coffee, juice, and donuts in the courtyard, or in the fellowship hall, immediately following the morning worship service.

Let us know how we may pray for you. Fill out a prayer request card, found in the pews, and place it in the offering plate or hand it to an usher. The officers of the church and a small prayer group will confidentially pray for these requests.

We welcome the participation of children in our worship service. This is their time to hear from God's Word and praise him. Childcare is also available downstairs:

- Age 0-4: childcare available during the entire service (bottom floor)
- K5-1st Grade: dismissed to Children's Worship before the sermon

MEETING TIMES

Sundays: 9:15 am.....Sunday School for all ages
 10:30 am.....Morning Worship Service
 6:00 pmEvening Prayer, Covenant Kids class,
 High School & Middle School studies

Nursery and childcare are provide for all above Sunday activities

Small Groups meet at various times for prayer and fellowship in members' homes. See our website for details, holytrinitypca.org.

Thursdays @ 5:30 pm. Neighborhood Outreach Dinner. We prepare and serve a meal for those in need from the community. More details on website.

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