

Reflection

The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me,
because the Lord has anointed me to bring good news to the poor;
he has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives,
and the opening of the prison to those who are bound—
~Isaiah 61:1

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

Luke 1:68, 69

Blessed be the Lord God of Israel,
for he has visited and redeemed his people
and has raised up a horn of salvation for us
in the house of his servant David.

Invocation

Hymn of Praise

Good Christian Men, Rejoice #207

Responsive Praise

Isaiah 61:1-3

Leader: The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me,
because the Lord has anointed me
to bring good news to the poor;

People: he has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted,
to proclaim liberty to the captives,
and the opening of the prison to those who are bound;

Leader: to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor,
and the day of vengeance of our God;
to comfort all who mourn;

People: to grant to those who mourn in Zion—
to give them a beautiful headdress instead of ashes,
the oil of gladness instead of mourning,

Leader: the garment of praise instead of a faint spirit;
that they may be called oaks of righteousness,

All: the planting of the Lord, that he may be glorified.

Prayer of Adoration

Hymn of Praise

God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen #211

CONFESSING OUR SIN

Prayer of Confession

Words of Comfort and Promise

2 Corinthians 5:21

God made him who had no sin to be sin for us,
so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Response

Gloria Patri #735

RENEWING OUR FAITH

Confession of Faith

Nicene Creed

Leader: We believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

People: And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
begotten from the Father before all ages, God from God,
Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made;

Leader: of the same essence as the Father. Through him all things were made.

People: For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven;
he became incarnate by the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and
was made human.

Leader: He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried.
The third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures.
He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

People: He will come again with glory to judge the living and the dead.
His kingdom will never end.

Leader: And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life.
He proceeds from the Father and the Son,
and with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified.

People: He spoke through the prophets.

Leader: We believe in one holy catholic* and apostolic church.

People: We affirm one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look forward to the resurrection of the dead,
and to life in the world to come. Amen.

* The word "catholic" in its original use means "universal" which is why you will see it with a lower case "c". This is not to be confused with the "Catholic" church, with a capital "C" which is based out of Rome.

Hymn of Praise

Glorious Light

*1. Glorious light! See the dawn of salvation:
Angels in white fill the skies with their wondrous song,
Awakening earth with news of His birth;
Join the hymn of the highest heavens.*

*2. Long has the world fought the song of the angels,
Heavenly music is drowned by a warring world.
Yet hope burns a light that shatters the night;
Turn your heart to the call of glory.*

Chorus:

*Glory to God in the highest! Peace to men on earth.
Come and adore Him with wonder
Christ, Lord of Heaven and earth.*

*3. There is a day all creation has longed for,
When all of time has been spent and the Lord returns.
His song we'll repeat, as Heaven completes
Promised peace that will fill the nation.*

Repeat Chorus

Keith & Kristyn Getty and Ian Hannah

New Testament Reading

Luke 2:41-52

Rick Reinke, Deacon
Reader: The Word of the Lord

(Pew Bible p.858)

People: Amen!

Hymn of Preparation

Once In Royal David's City #225

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 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

Isaiah 50:4-9 — The Servant Songs: The Obedient Servant
(Pew Bible p. 611)

RESPONDING IN THANKS

Prayers of the People

Collection of Offering

Closing Hymn

Speak O Lord

*1. Speak, O Lord, as we come to You
to receive the food of Your Holy Word.
Take Your Truth, plant it deep in us;
shape and fashion us in Your likeness;
That the light of Christ might be seen today
in our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord and fulfill in us all Your purposes for Your glory.*

*2. Teach us Lord, full obedience, Holy reverence, true humility.
Test our thoughts and our attitudes; in the radiance of Your purity.
Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority.
Words of pow'r that can never fail; Let their truth prevail over unbelief.*

*3. Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us.
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time,
that will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises;
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.
Speak, O Lord, 'til Your church is built,
and the earth is filled with Your glory.*

Keith Getty and Stuart Townend

Benediction

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to our Visitors! We are glad you are worshiping 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.

Baskets of Love-Dec. 20 is the last day to drop off non-perishable food items for the Christ Satisfies Ministries outreach! Questions? Contact Don Bennett. Pray for this outreach in the College Hill community to be a fruitful ministry.

College/High School Senior Christmas lunch-TODAY at 12:30pm at the Meyer's home(485 Lucerne Ave., Tampa 33606). We'll enjoy food and fellowship and have an opportunity to hear from our college students who are home.

Middle/High School Students-Annual Christmas dinner party and white elephant gift exchange **TONIGHT!** 6-8 pm at the Sullivan's home (2315 S. Lila Ln., 33629).

Christmas Eve Service of Lessons & Carols-Sunday, December 24 at 5:30 pm. Nursery provided for children up to age 3. Invite your friends and family!

New Directories-We will be printing new directories in January. Please email office@holytrinitypca.org or use the Welcome card in the pew back and place it in the offering if you would like to be included or need to update your info.

December Schedule Changes:

- 12/17-No evening classes (last day of Fall Sunday school)
- 12/24-No Sunday school, Christmas Eve service 5:30 pm.
- 12/25-1/1-Church office is closed
- 12/31-No morning or evening classes

Operating Account Information as of 12/10/17:

	12/10/17 <u>Actual</u>	12/31/17 <u>Budget</u>	<u>Over (Under)</u>
Total Collections	\$1,051,441	\$1,216,265	(\$164,824)
Total Expenses	<u>\$979,525</u>	<u>\$1,216,265</u>	(\$236,740)
Net Excess (Deficit)	\$71,916	\$0	



Isaiah 50:4-9

I. The Lord God has G_____

What did Jesus do before speaking?

What do the words of Jesus do for us?

II. The Lord God has O_____

Of what is this a symbol?

Why is this important for the ministry of Jesus?

III. The Lord God H_____

What does "vindicate" mean? When was Jesus vindicated?

How are we vindicated before God?

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 worshiping 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 provided 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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