

## Reflection

“I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.”

(Jesus, John 8:12)

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## ENTERING GOD’S PRESENCE

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### 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

Hosea 6:1,3

“Come, Let us return to the Lord...Let us know; let us press on to know the Lord; his going out is sure as the dawn; he will come to us as the showers, as the spring rains that water the earth. “

### Hymn of Praise

*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling #529*

### Responsive Praise

Psalm 126

Leader: When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream.

**People: Then our mouth was filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy; then they said among the nations, “The Lord has done great things for them.”**

Leader: The Lord has done great things for us; we are glad.

**People: Restore our fortunes, O Lord, like streams in the Negeb!**

Leader: Those who sow in tears shall reap with shouts of joy!

**People: He who goes out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing, shall come home with shouts of joy, bringing his sheaves with him.**

### Prayer of Adoration

### Hymn of Praise

*Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise #38*

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## CONFESSING OUR SIN

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### Prayer of Confession

### Words of Comfort and Promise

1 Peter 3:18

For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God

### Song of Response

*God, Be Merciful To Me - Psalm 51 #486*  
(Alternate Tune)

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## RENEWING OUR FAITH

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### Confession of Faith

Nicene Creed  
(read responsively)

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

**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;  
of the same essence as the Father.**

Through him all things were made.  
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.  
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.  
He will come again with glory  
to judge the living and the dead.  
His kingdom will never end.

**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.  
He spoke through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.  
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.**

### Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 60:1-9  
(Pew Bible p.619)

Reader: The Word of the Lord  
**People: Amen!**

### Hymn of Preparation

*Ten Thousand Times Ten Thousand #323*  
(Alternate Tune)

**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*

John 1:6-13 The True Light  
(Pew Bible p. 886)

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## RESPONDING IN THANKS

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### Prayers of the People

### Collection of Offering

### Closing Hymn

*O Day of Rest and Gladness #392*  
(Alternate Tune)

### 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.

**Middle & High School small group-meets in the Annex tonight at 6 pm.** All are welcome!

**Campus Outreach Contact People Needed –** Let Leslie Hall (lhall@holytrinitypca.org) know if you are interested in being a point person for 3-4 college students this summer. Families with kids – these college students are often a great encouragement to our young people; we hope you will take the opportunity to get to know them in this way!

**Vacation Bible School-online registration is NOW OPEN on our website!** Limited space this year so please don’t delay in getting the word out to your friends and neighbors. Dates are **Monday, July 23-Friday, July 27.**

**VBS Volunteers Needed-**There are many opportunities to serve! Please return the blue insert to the collection plate or contact Burchie Ellinger ([ellingerfamily5@gmail.com](mailto:ellingerfamily5@gmail.com)) if you are willing to be a VBS volunteer.

**New PCA Church Plant-Beginning in the College Hill area of Tampa. NEXT Sunday, May 20 at 4:24 pm** (this is not a typo) at the outdoor pavilion located at 3601 N. 29<sup>th</sup> St. 33605. If you’d like to attend the first service, please meet in the HTPC parking lot at 3:45 to caravan with Don Bennett. **Many thanks to all who brought non-perishable food items for the baskets of love outreach.**

**Adult Prayer Meeting-Every Sunday evening at 6pm** we gather to bring our prayer requests to the Lord. We pray for the ministries and needs of our congregation along with any other personal requests. If you are uncomfortable praying in a group, you can participate silently. All are encouraged to attend!

**Covenant Kids class- Sunday evenings at 6 pm.** Children **ages 4 through 5<sup>th</sup> grade** meet in the third-floor classroom for a fun and interactive time where they learn what it means to be a part of God’s church. It includes a time of singing, prayer, and brief instruction. After meeting as a large group, children divide by age and work on memorizing age-appropriate catechisms together, with the help of adult volunteers. Parents are welcome to visit, and kids may join the class at any time!



John 1:6-13

**I. A Witness to the Light: v.6-8**

Who is this witness?

What is his role?

**II. A Response to the Light: v.9-11**

How do people respond to the light of Christ?

**III. A Divine Power for Light: v.12-13**

How do we become "children of 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 pm .....Evening 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](http://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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