

STAFF

Pastors: Chad Anderson (Senior), David Salyer (Associate)

Elders: Michael Freitag, David Holl, Tory Hooton, Jordan Hughett, David Lano

Deacons: Josh Goodbrake (Offering and Service), Josiah Holl (Mercy), Micah Holl, Sam Lanka (Facilities), Doug Sykes (Chair)

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Youth Group: Eric Wood

Custodians: Charis Wood, Charlotte Hajda

WORSHIP SPOTLIGHT

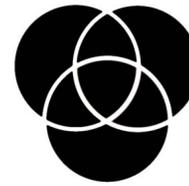
Why do we say: "The Lord be with you!" and recite scripture together?

"The Lord be with you!" is a Biblical form of blessing (Ruth 2:4; compare Judg. 6:12; Luke 1:28; John 20:19; 2 Thess. 3:16; 2 Tim. 4:22). Here the pastor prays that the Lord Jesus Christ would be present with the congregation, leading them and ministering to them throughout the service. The people reciprocate, asking the Lord to be present with their Pastor as he ministers to them. They are acknowledging that the Pastor is an ordained servant, called by God to speak God's word and administer Christ's gifts to them.

This dialogue is a wonderful recognition that both pastor and congregation can do nothing apart from Christ. It also recognizes the bond of love between pastor and people: they begin the service by praying for each other. It exemplifies the kind of "one another-ing" that is central to the Christian life.

It is traditional to have some sort of responsive scriptural prayer at this point in the service as well. "Our help is in the name of the Lord / Who made heaven and earth" (Psalm 124:8) is the verse commonly used. At other times words are chosen that reflect the theme of the day or the season in the church year.

All responses in the service should be spoken loudly (Rev. 5:12, 6:10, 7:10, 19:1, etc.), with confidence in the Christ who has brought us near to God (Heb. 4:16).



TRINITY

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

April 14th, 2024

The Third Sunday of Easter

Prelude

Announcements

GOD SUMMONS US TO WORSHIP

Call to Worship

Psalm 47:1-3, 6

†Congregational Singing

"Come People of the Risen King"

†Responsive Scriptures

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

†Collect

O God, through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

†Congregational Singing

"Every Promise"

GOD SANCTIFIES US TO HIMSELF

Call to Confession

Psalm 32:1-5

Silent Confession

Corporate Confession

Almighty God, you have raised Jesus from the grave and crowned him Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before him or acknowledged his rule in our lives. We have followed the way of the world. We have failed to give Him glory. Forgive us and raise us from sin, that we may be your

**faithful people, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who rules the world and is head of the church, his body. Amen.**

†Assurance of Forgiveness

†Congregational Singing "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

Holy Baptism *Charles Josiah Holl*

†Congregational Singing "Baptized Into Christ the Lord" (1,3,5)

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN HIS WORD

Old Testament Reading Amos 5:21-24

Epistle Reading Acts 6:8-15; 7:54-60

†Gospel Reading Luke 23:32-35, 44-48

†Profession of Faith The Apostles' Creed

Sermon Pastor Chad Anderson

"Stephen: The Crown of Witness"

Sermon Series: The Acts of the Apostles

Offertory

†Doxology #625 (*a cappella*)

†Prayer of the Church

...let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

...through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns
with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

†The Lord's Prayer

Taught by Our Lord and trusting in His promises, we are bold to pray:

Our Father who art in Heaven...

GOD STRENGTHENS US AT HIS TABLE

*All who are baptized and trust in Jesus Christ are invited to share the Lord's Supper.
Baptized children are welcomed to the Supper once they have been admitted by the Elders.*

*If you do not trust in Jesus, please allow the bread and cup to pass you by. If you desire
to follow Jesus and share in His Feast, please speak with one of our pastors after the service.*

*The outer ring contains wine. All other cups contain grape juice. Take your portion, pass
the rest to your neighbor, then eat and drink as soon as you desire.*

*During the passing of the cup, we encourage you to offer words of blessing to your
neighbors such as: "May the Peace of Christ be with you" (Jn. 14:27), and the response:
"And also with you."*

Declaration of God's Invitation and Promises

Prayers and Distribution

†Congregational Singing "Jesus Lives and so Shall I"

GOD SENDS US INTO THE WORLD

†Commission and Benediction

†Congregational Response

#628 IV "Threefold Amen"

Postlude

Worship Leader: Pastor Chad Anderson
Nursery Volunteers: Sarah Salyer, Kay Johnson

CHURCH LIFE

Sunday, April 14th - *The Third Sunday of Easter*

9:00 a.m. . . . Sunday School

10:30 a.m. . . . Worship Service

Saturday, April 20th

11:00 a.m. . . . Platte Valley Presbytery @ Lincoln

- ❖ **New Members Class** has been rescheduled for Sunday, April 28th. Please speak to Pastor Chad or Pastor Dave if you'd like to join us for this introduction to the history, theology, and doctrinal distinctives of Trinity and the Presbyterian Church in America.
- ❖ Ladies, save the date for the **TPC Women's Conference** Saturday, June 8th, featuring Christian author and speaker, Christine Chappell. This one-day event is for any woman who carries the weight of unaddressed sorrows, yearns for a deeper connection with God, has experienced loss or betrayal, and/or struggles to find joy in the everyday challenges of life. It is our hope and prayer that this conference will be a great opportunity for women in the church and the wider community to be encouraged and to commune with others who are lamenting in His body. If you are interested, you can learn more and register at: www.tpckearney.org/womens-conference.
- ❖ **Financial Report:** Budgeted need each week: \$4,203.50. Budgeted need year-to-date: \$46,238.50. Received 3/17: \$3,786.14. Received year-to-date: \$39,319.24.
- ❖ **April Birthdays:** (8) Jude Lanka 2014, Jacob Sykes 2003, (15) Jennifer Zimmerman, (21) Eric Wood, Mollie Craig 2008, (22) Mary Lanka, (23) Reese Hughett 2020, (25) Del Brock, (30) Anne Hajda 2007, Richard McKean, Stephen Rodgers

If you would like to receive TPC announcements and prayer requests via e-mail, please email your contact info to: tpc@tpckearney.org

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

- ❖ That God would bless our church with many children and give us grace to nurture them in the faith.
- ❖ Presbytery: Grace Covenant Church in Grand Island (Pastor Todd Bowen)
- ❖ Missions: Chuck and Nancy Larsen - Water4Haiti
- ❖ For our new and expecting mothers and their children: Megan Holl (Charles Josiah born 1/10).