

Worship Spotlight

Why do we confess our sins?

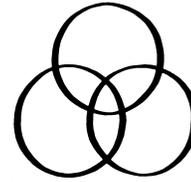
Being called into the presence of a righteous and holy God makes us painfully aware of our own sinfulness and guilt. We think of the prophet Isaiah who cried out: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!" (Isaiah 6:5, compare Revelation 1:17).

God made a way for the people of Israel to approach Him through sacrifice. The first sacrifice was the *sin offering* or *purification offering* (Lev. 9:7,15; 2 Chr. 29:21). This sacrifice dealt with the sin in a worshipper's life at the very beginning of the service, so that he could continue to approach God knowing the penalty for his sin had been paid by the animal who died in his place. We still approach God on the basis of a sacrifice. But in our case that sacrifice was the crucifixion of Christ. His sacrifice on our behalf has dealt with our sin once and for all (Heb. 7:27, 9:12, 10:10).

The importance of confessing sins is taught throughout the Scriptures. Many of these passages appear in our worship service as the "Call to Confession," reminding us not only of the need to confess, but of God's promise to forgive us if we do. "If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." (John 1:8).

We confess our individual sins silently to God. But because we are one body in Christ we also join our voices in a corporate confession of sin. These traditional prayers of confession are based on Biblical teaching. For example: "We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves." This is a prayer based on Jesus' summary of the Law (Matt. 22:36-40, etc.).

The other reason we confess our sins is because the Bible teaches us that repentance leads to joy (Psalm 51:8, 12; Luke 15:17)! Having been honest about our sin we have the joy of receiving God's forgiveness in the next portion of our service: The Assurance of Forgiveness.



TRINITY
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

November 10th, 2019

The Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

Announcements

GOD SUMMONS US TO WORSHIP

Call to Worship

Psalm 150:1-2, 6

†Congregational Singing

#10 "O Worship the 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!

Our help is in the name of the Lord

Who made heaven and earth.

†Collect

Almighty God, we implore You, show Your mercy to Your humble servants that we, who put no trust in our own merits, may not be dealt with after the severity of Your judgment but according to Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

†Greeting

†Congregational Singing

#2 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

GOD SANCTIFIES US TO HIMSELF

Call to Confession

Psalm 103:8-12

Silent Confession

Corporate Confession

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole

heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

†Assurance of Forgiveness

†Congregational Singing

“He Will Hold Me Fast”

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN HIS WORD

Old Testament Reading

2 Samuel 7:1-16

Epistle Reading

Hebrews 1:1-9

†Gospel Reading

Luke 1:26-35

†Profession of Faith

Te Deum

Sermon

Pastor David Salyer

“He Shall Be to Me A Son”

Offertory

†Doxology

#625 (*a cappella*)

†Prayer of Dedication

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 in accord with the practice of our denomination.

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, and 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: “Peace be with you” (Jn. 14:27) or “Christ be with you” (Rom. 16:20).

Declaration of God's Invitation and Promises

Prayers and Distribution

†Congregational Singing

#51 “Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah”

GOD SENDS US INTO THE WORLD

†Commission and Benediction

†Congregational Response

#628 IV “Threefold Amen”

Postlude

Worship Leader: Pastor Chad Anderson

Nursery Volunteers: Rachel Goodbrake and Deb Petty

CHURCH LIFE

Thursday, November 14th

WIC Council

7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, November 20th

Bible Night

7:00 p.m.

❖ We will hold a **Thanksgiving Eve service** the evening of Wednesday, November 27th beginning at 6:30 p.m. There will be a pie fellowship to follow. Please contact the church office if you would be willing to supply a pie or topping.

November Birthdays: (15) Xan Barber, Evelyn LeFeber 2006, Sylvia LeFeber 2006, (22) James Hooton 2015, (24) Evelyn Salyer 2011, (26) Tory Hooton, Lisa Hajda, (29) Knox Johnson 2011, (30) Celia Williams 2017

Financial Report

	Last Week	Year to Date
Budgeted Need	\$3,461.15	\$152,290.60
Received	\$4,381.39	\$147,527.51

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

- ❖ That God would bring people in need of a church family to Trinity, and that we would minister to them in love.
- ❖ For our expecting mothers and their children: Anika Fong
- ❖ For our men serving in the armed forces: Joseph Barber III, Ryan Brock, Ben Elliott, and Isaiah Petty.

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