## TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Order of Worship for January 30, 2022

Gathering Music Welcome & Announcements Prelude – Call to Worship

> We have come to worship God, the living God, *Who calls prophets and teachers to bear witness*. We have come to praise God, the almighty God, *Who answers the forces of hatred and hurt with the power of grace.* We have come to worship God, all-gracious God, *Who chooses even you and me, to receive and carry the Word of life and hope. All glory to God!*

Anthem

Call to Confession

If we say we are completely put together, the truth is not within us.

But if we confess our distractions, errors, and anxieties,

God will meet us and renew us.

Let us confess our sins before God and one another.

Prayer of Confession

O Lord, we do come to You to confess our lovelessness, our distortions of love – the way we love ourselves and wound others. We come to You asking You please to teach us anew how deeply, how profoundly we have been loved by the Lord Jesus who loved us and gave Himself for us.

Melt our hearts with His love and kindle in our hearts love for one another that we might indeed be more like Him, and that by our love all the world may know that we are His disciples. For we ask it in Jesus' name, amen.

Silent Confession

(A time of silence will be observed for personal confession.)

Assurance of Pardon

God has promised that whenever we repent, and seek a new union with God,

## forgiveness will be ours.

That promise comes true now. Sisters and brothers, this is what we know

in Christ Jesus, we are forgiven.

Our Response

He Came Down

He came down that we may have love; He came down that we may have love; He came down that we may have love, Hallelujah forevermore.

Sharing Our Faith with Our Children





Prayer of Illumination

Creating God, by your Word spoken, the universe was brought into life. Redeeming God, by Your Word made flesh, our lives were brought into fullness. Sustaining God, by Your Word written and proclaimed our lives are nourished. Open our hearts and minds to your Word today. Amen

First Scripture Lesson

1 Corinthians 13

13 If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. <sup>2</sup> And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. <sup>3</sup> If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

4 Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant 5 or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; <sup>6</sup> it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. <sup>7</sup> It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

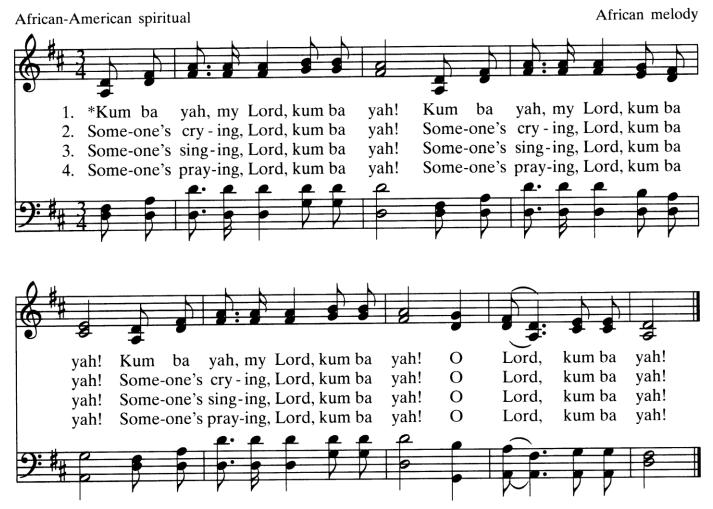
8 Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. <sup>9</sup> For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; <sup>10</sup> but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. <sup>11</sup> When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. <sup>12</sup> For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. <sup>13</sup> And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

Sermon – The Gift of Love Jean Bigger

Kum ba Yah





Presentation of Tithes and Offerings Offertory –

\*Doxology (Hymn 592)

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

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

\*Sending Forth and Benediction

\*Choral Response Called as Partners in Christ's Service

Called as partners in Christ's service Called to ministries of grace We respond with deep commitment Fresh new lines of faith to trace May we learn the art of sharing Side by side and friend with friend Equal partners in our caring To fulfil God's chosen end.

Postlude

Liturgist: Joshua Coy Soloist: Jessica Starcher Head Deacons: Nancy Thomas & Cindy Williams Pastor: Rev. Jennifer A. Baer Music Director: Pamela Carroll The flowers today are dedicated to the glory in God in honor of new and existing Deacons for a fabulous 2022.



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