

**Trinity Presbyterian Church
July 23, 2023 A.D.
The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost**

Rev. Dr. Murray Joseph Thompson - Pastor

Gathering Music
Welcome & Announcements
Prelude

L: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!

P: Day and night around the throne they never stop singing: Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord God Almighty, who was, who is, and who is to come. Let us praise his name this day. Amen!

Call to Confession

L: The Lord be with you.

P: And also, with you.

L: May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with us all.

Let us pray . . .

In Unison: ***Righteous God, you have crowned Jesus Christ as Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before him, and are slow to acknowledge his rule. We give allegiance to the powers of this world, and fail to be governed by justice and love. In your mercy, forgive us. Raise us to acclaim him as ruler of all, that we may be loyal ambassadors, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.***

Pastor: Remember that our Lord Jesus can sympathize with us in our weaknesses, since in every respect he was tempted as we are, yet without sin. Thus, let us embrace the Good News. In Christ alone, our sins are forgiven. Amen.

*Our Response

What a Friend We have in Jesus

***What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer! O what
peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear, all because
we do not carry everything to God in prayer!***

Sharing Our Faith with Our Children

*Hymn – ***The Church’s One Foundation #442***

The Morning Scripture Lesson: Matthew 9:35-10:8

The Workers Are Few

³⁵ Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and sickness. ³⁶ When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷ Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. ³⁸ Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field.”

Jesus Sends Out the Twelve

10 Jesus called his twelve disciples to him and gave them authority to drive out impure spirits and to heal every disease and sickness.

² These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon (who is called Peter) and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; ³ Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector;

James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; ⁴ Simon the Zealot and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him.

⁵ These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: “Do not go among the Gentiles or enter any town of the Samaritans. ⁶ Go rather to the lost sheep of Israel. ⁷ As you go, proclaim this message: ‘The kingdom of heaven has come near.’ ⁸ Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse those who have leprosy,^[a] drive out demons. Freely you have received; freely give.

Sermon: ***The Kingdom of Heaven as Lived Today***

*Hymn – ***I Sing the Mighty Power of God #288***

Presentation of Tithes & Offerings
Offertory

*Doxology (Hymn #592)

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.

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

*Sending forth and Benediction

*Choral response ***God be with You Till We Meet Again***

God be with you till we meet again, by his counsels guide, uphold you, with His sheep securely fold you, God be with you till we meet again. Till we meet, till we meet, till we meet at Jesus’ feet; till we meet, till we meet, God be with you till we meet again.

Postlude

Liturgist: Barbara Rinker

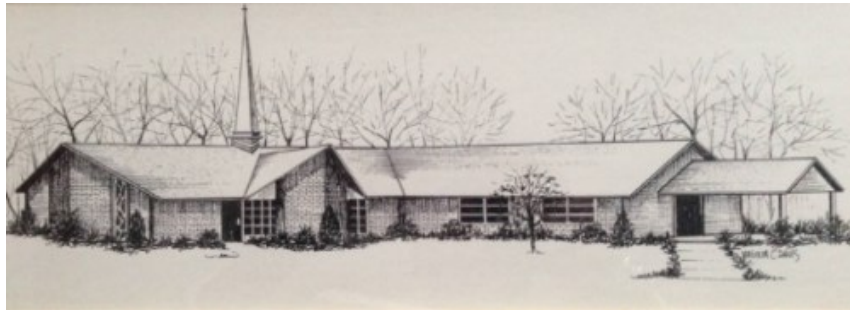
Head Deacons: Deb Cooper & Karin Thompson

Rev. Dr. Murray Joseph Thompson

Music Director: Pamela Carroll

The flowers today are dedicated to the glory of God in memory of Alice's mother – Dorothy E. Jones former Charter Member.

Given by: Alice & C. Don Kocher



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