

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday Worship – July 3, 2022

Gathering Music

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude – Eternal Father, Strong to Save

Opening Responsive Prayer

Rejoice people of God.

We are a free people. Free to worship the God of our fathers and mothers.

Rejoice for the blessings of this land.

We are God's children. Free to live in a new promised land. Free to receive God's bountiful blessings. Amen.

Call to Confession

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. In humility and faith, let us confess our sin to God.

Prayer of Confession

Eternal God, before you nations rise and fall. Help us to repent our country's wrongs, and to choose your way of reunion and renewal. Great God, eternal Lord, show us there is no law or liberty apart from you; and let us serve you whole-heartedly, as your devoted followers, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Silent Confession

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

Assurance of Pardon

Hear the good news! Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. This is the good news of the Gospel of Jesus Christ: in his name, we are forgiven.
Amen.

Our Response

Sanctuary

**Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary
Pure and holy, tried and true
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living
Sanctuary for You.**

Sharing Our Faith with Our Children

*Hymn - **#564 O Beautiful for Spacious Skies**

First Scripture Lesson

Galatians 6: 1-16

1 Brothers and sisters, if someone is caught in a sin, you who live by the Spirit should restore that person gently. But watch yourselves, or you also may be tempted. 2 Carry each other's burdens, and in this way, you will fulfill the law of Christ. 3 If anyone thinks they are something when they are not, they deceive themselves. 4 Each one should test their own actions. Then they can take pride in themselves alone, without comparing themselves to someone else, 5 for each one should carry their own load. 6 Nevertheless, the one who receives instruction in the word should share all good things with their instructor. 7 Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows. 8 Whoever sows to please their flesh, from the flesh will reap destruction; whoever sows to please the Spirit, from the Spirit will reap eternal life. 9 Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. 10 Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people,

especially to those who belong to the family of believers. 11 See what large letters I use as I write to you with my own hand! 12 Those who want to impress people by means of the flesh are trying to compel you to be circumcised. The only reason they do this is to avoid being persecuted for the cross of Christ. 13 Not even those who are circumcised keep the law, yet they want you to be circumcised that they may boast about your circumcision in the flesh. 14 May I never boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. 15 Neither circumcision nor uncircumcision means anything; what counts is the new creation. 16 Peace and mercy to all who follow this rule—to the Israel of God.

Second Scripture Lesson

Luke 10: 1-11, 16-20

1 After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. 2 He said to them, ‘The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. 3 Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. 4 Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. 5 Whatever house you enter, first say, “Peace to this house!” 6 And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. 7 Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. 8 Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; 9 cure the sick who are there, and say to them, “The kingdom of God has come near to you.” 10 But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, 11 “Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.” 16 ‘Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me.’ 17 The seventy returned with joy,

saying, 'Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!' 18 He said to them, 'I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. 19 See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. 20 Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.'

Sermon "Is America a Christian Nation?" CP Laura Lewis Emmett

*Hymn - #561 My Country, 'Tis of Thee

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

*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.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer
Sending Forth and Benediction

Choral response

There's a Sweet Sweet Spirit

**There's a sweet sweet Spirit in this place,
And I know that it's the spirit of the Lord;
There are sweet expression on each face,
And I know that it's the presence of the Lord.**

Postlude

Liturgist: Clarence Givens

Head Deacons: Beth Davis & Linda Baines

CP Laura Lewis Emmett

Music Director: Pamela Carroll

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The flowers today are dedicated to the glory of God and in gratitude for the wonderful country in which we live. Given by Art and Sandy Peoples.

Thank you, Matthew Blom, for sharing your musical talents with us today.